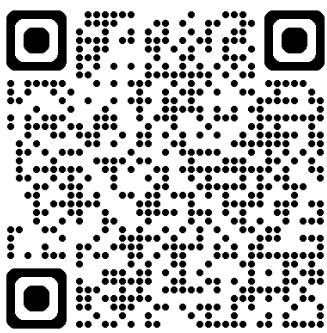




2026 Alliance Summit Schedule at a Glance: MEMBER-ONLY PRECONFERENCE

TUESDAY						September 1, 2026 – PRECONFERENCE FOR ALLIANCE MEMBERS ONLY - <i>Registration for Preconference was Required in Advance</i>					
9:30 - 10:30am		Check-In	Check-In Table opens for Pre-Conference Attendees and Exhibitors . Will NOT reopen until 11:45am – <i>you will need a “ticket” for lunch – there will be one in the back of your name badge, so be sure to “Check-In” during this hour!</i>								
10:30 - 11:30am		Pre-Conference PEER NETWORKS	Adult Services BEAVER DEN		Case Managers Peaks 9-10		Finance/CFO Peaks 11-12		Human Resources Peaks 6-8		
11:30am - 12:30pm		Lunch Buffet	Lunch for Pre-Conference Attendees and Exhibitors ONLY – <i>you will need a “ticket” for lunch – there will be one in the back of your name badge, so be sure to “Check-In” before 10:30am (see above).</i>								
						OUTDOOR TENT					



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TUESDAY September 1, 2026						
11:45 - 12:50pm	Check-In	Check-In Table Opens for All Attendee Types Networking with Exhibitors				
		Floor 3 Foyer				
1:00 - 2:45pm	General Session	Welcome Remarks from Alliance Board President followed by Alliance’s State of the Association, Presentation of the 2026 Alliance Legislator of the Year (JBC Member, Rep Rick Taggart (R-Mesa County)) State of the State: Alliance’s Government Relations Update				
		Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3				
2:45 - 3:15pm	Break	Networking with Exhibitors – preorder beverages or snacks from Skywalk Market: https://beaverrunresort.buy-ondemand.com/ Check-In Table OPEN HEADSHOT LOUNGE OPENS during this break (sponsored by ClearSpring Pharmacy, An Alliance Strategic Partner!) • Headshot Lounge location: PEAK 15 on the FIRST FLOOR of the Conference Center!				
						
3:15 - 4:15pm	Breakout Sessions	<i>“An Early Intervention Administrative Guide for EI Brokers”</i> Dr. Floyd Cobb & Christy Scott – CDEC Peaks 11-12	<i>“What We Want and How We Want It! A Panel Discussion of People Receiving Services”</i> Cathy Sykes & Jeff Newman - Our Own Lives Coppertop	<i>“Know the Rules, Lead with Confidence”</i> Kate Veeder, LCSW & Ashley Withington, RN - Lacuna Consulting Imperial Ballroom	<i>“Building Together- Partnerships that Reshape Systems”</i> Jodi Walters & Sarah Smith, MWS - Imagine! Dustin Barrington, MAR - L'Arche Northern Colorado Beaver Den	<i>“Employment Law Q&A: Navigating Risk, Compliance, and Employee Challenges Together”</i> Jack McCalmon, Esq. - The McCalmon Group <i>*Sponsored by Flood & Peterson, and Philadelphia Insurance*</i> Peaks 6-10
4:15 – 5:45pm	Networking & FUN!	Welcome Reception Bar open 4:15 – 5:45pm Appetizers available from 4:15 – 5:15pm <i>Drinks can be paid for via room charge, credit card, or cash</i>				
		Breckenridge Ballroom – Floor 1				
6:00pm		<i>DINNER ON YOUR OWN</i> REMEMBER TO RSVP FOR THE MORNING HIKE or CHAIR YOGA by 6:00pm TONIGHT! GUESTS WELCOME! RSVP via email – kkampbell@alliancecolorado.org or via text 970-692-4000				

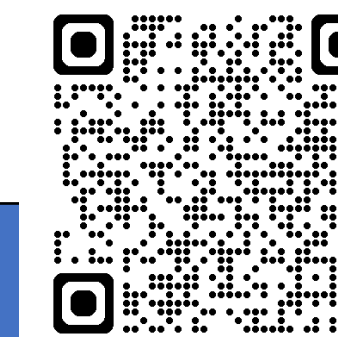


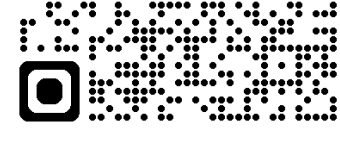
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WEDNESDAY September 2, 2026						
Timing Varies	Networking & FUN!	6:30am SHARP Hike Lower Sawmill and Snowflake Trail Loop (1.5 miles) with Tim Cunningham – Cheyenne Village 7:00 – 7:45am Kick start your morning with Chair Yoga by Niki Liddle-Aaron RN, BSN - Inspiration Field				Meeting Spot – Hotel Lobby ROOM: Imperial Ballroom
8:00 - 9:15am	Sponsored Breakfast	Sponsored by the following Alliance Strategic Partners: Flood & Peterson, Frisco, Giv., Lacuna Consulting, SETWorks, Shield HealthCare, Tarrytown Expocare Pharmacy, The BI Collaborative, & Wipfli Please be seated by 8:25am Check-In Table OPEN until 9:00am				Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3
9:15 - 10:30am	General Session	“The Emerging Roles & Changing Expectations of the Direct Support Workforce” Joseph Macbeth – NADSP				Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3
10:30 - 10:45am	Break	Networking with Exhibitors– preorder beverages or snacks from Skywalk Market: https://beaverrunresort.buy-ondemand.com/ Check-In Table OPEN				Floor 3 Foyer
10:45 - 11:45am	Breakout Sessions	“The Regulatory Viewpoint: Who We Are, What We Cite & What We See” Rhonda Heinen, Phyllis Romano, Marcie Schweitzer – CDPHE Imperial Ballroom	“Voting Rights for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities” Sara Ridenour, Esq. & Katie Boraz, Esq. - Disability Justice Peaks 11-12	“Bridging IDD - Mental Health Gaps: Lessons from RMHS’ Denver START” Mariam Alami, LSW - Rocky Mountain Human Services Michaela Hennig , MSW- Denver Human Services Peaks 6-10	“Guardianship vs. Supported Decision-Making vs: What Professionals Need to Know” Erica Dennison & Hanni Raley - The Arc of Aurora // THINK+change Elizabeth Moran, JD - The Arc of Colorado Beaver Den	“Bored to Busy Blitz - Create a Year's Worth of Meaningful Activities” Sara Sherman - Provider Power Moves Coppertop
11:45 - 1:00pm	Luncheon	Recognition of the 2026 Case Manager of the Year; Recognition of the 2026 Summit Scholarship Recipients (sponsored by Braaten Enterprises, an Alliance Strategic Partner!); Award Presentations				 Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3
1:00 - 1:15pm	Break	Networking with Exhibitors HEADSHOT LOUNGE REOPENS at 12:30pm through 4:30pm (sponsored by ClearSpring Pharmacy, An Alliance Strategic Partner!)				 PEAK 15 on the FIRST FLOOR
1:15 - 2:15pm	Breakout Sessions	“Back to Basics: What Olmstead Really Means in the IDD Community” Scott Bartlett & Alison Butler - Colorado Disability Opportunity Office Beaver Den	“A Question of Bias in Advocacy: A Model from The Colorado Arc Network” Elizabeth Moran, JD - The Arc of Colorado Georgia Edson, LCSW - The Arc of Arapahoe, Douglas & Elbert Counties Peaks 11-12	“The Unbearable Lightness of HCBS Waivers: Understanding the foundation of HCBS services” BRING YOUR LAPTOP! Kristie Braaten, MSW - Braaten Enterprises Amy Becerra, MSW - Rocky Mountain Human Services Imperial Ballroom	“Build with AI in 60 Minutes—No Tech Skills Needed” BRING YOUR LAPTOP! Owens Gollamandala – Frisco Coppertop	“We’ve ruled out everything, it’s definitely behavioral!” Jesse Padilla-Goryl, MA, BCBA & Brittany Lauer, MA, BCBA - Ariel Clinical Services Peaks 6-10
2:15 - 2:45pm	Dessert Break	Dessert & Coffee with Exhibitors - HEADSHOT LOUNGE REMAINS OPEN through 4:30pm, sponsored by ClearSpring Pharmacy				Floor 3 Foyer
2:45 - 4:00pm	General Session	“Office of Community Living Updates” Bonnie Silva & Colin Laughlin – Office of Community Living, HCPF				Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3
4:00 - 5:30pm	Networking & FUN!	EXHIBITOR MEET & GREET HAPPY HOUR - Snacks provided Drink ticket sponsored by CAI Dynamics! <i>Additional drinks can be paid for via room charge, credit card, or cash</i>  HEADSHOT LOUNGE (sponsored by ClearSpring Pharmacy) CLOSSES AT 4:30PM! (Headshot Lounge location: PEAK 15 on the FIRST FLOOR) Screening of “An Open Door: Temple Grandin” at 5:00pm in the Colorado Ballroom, with Producer introduction, and Book Signing before and after! • <i>OR watch the documentary on your own time: https://vimeo.com/1176259105</i>				Floor 3 Foyer and Mountainview Deck 
6:00pm		DINNER ON YOUR OWN				

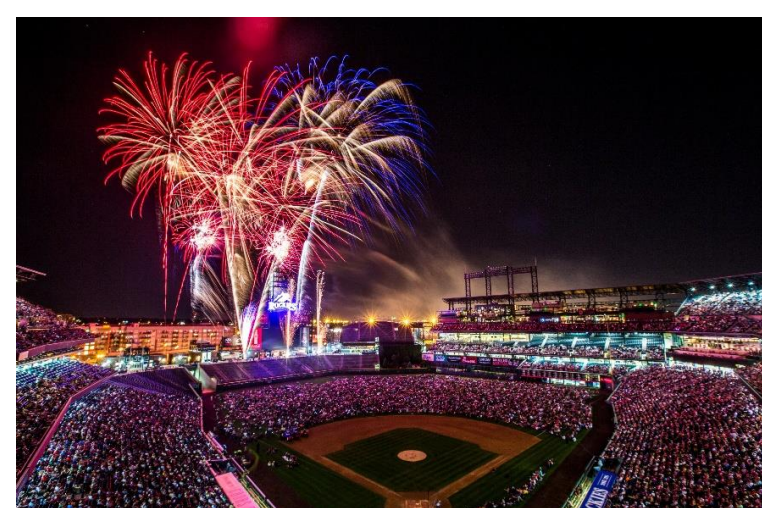
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THURSDAY								September 3, 2026			
7:00 - 7:55am	Sponsored Breakfast	Sponsored by: Dose Health & Statewise Please be seated by 7:45am								Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3	
8:00 - 9:00am	General Session	“The Silliest Game of Whac-a-Mole You’ll Ever Play (aka An Update on Federal Policy)” Sean Luechtefeld, Ph.D., CAE - ANCOR								Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3	
9:00 - 9:15am	Break	Networking with Exhibitors Hotel Check-Out by 11am – Check out can be done by calling from your room or cell, or directly at the front desk. Check out early so you don’t miss any sessions! Preorder beverages or snacks from Skywalk Market: https://beaverrunresort.buy-ondemand.com/								Floor 3 Foyer	
9:15 - 10:15am	Breakout Sessions	<i>“Bridging the Gap: Integrating Behavioral & Mental Health Approaches”</i> Tiffany Montaña, LCSW - WesCo Counseling Michele Gonzales, BCBA - Wayfind Peaks 9-10	<i>“Incentivizing Excellence: Our NADSP E-Badge Strategy”</i> Lindsay Menough & Kerrianne Rigney - DDRC Joseph M. Macbeth – NADSP Coppertop	<i>“The Team Approach to Case Management”</i> Erika Schroeder, MEd & Amanda Lewis- A&I Avenues Beaver Den	<i>“Current Topics in Neuro-Inclusive Housing”</i> Tim Dolan, Inclusive Housing Coalition & Desiree Kameka-Galloway - Neuro-Inclusive Housing Solutions Peaks 6-8	<i>“From Deficit to Asset: Practical Strategies for Building Strengths-Based Services”</i> Danny Combs, M.A, BCCS, CAS - Colorado Disability Opportunity Office Peaks 11-12	<i>“Counter-Crisis Strategy for Colorado Community Providers”</i> Sean Luechtefeld, Ph.D., CAE - ANCOR Imperial Ballroom				
10:15 - 10:40am	Break	Networking with Exhibitors <i>This break is the last chance to enter any raffles offered by our Exhibitors!</i> Preorder beverages or snacks from Skywalk Market: https://beaverrunresort.buy-ondemand.com/								Floor 3 Foyer	
		BOOK SIGNING WITH DR. TEMPLE GRANDIN								Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3	
10:45am PROMPTLY	General Session	Exhibitor Raffles – Must be present to win!								Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3	
11:00am – approx. 12:30pm	Closing Keynote Session	<i>“Development of an Autistic Person’s Strengths for a Successful Career”</i> Dr. Temple Grandin + Closing Remarks and book signing to follow. Keynote sponsored by Rocky Mountain Health Plans, and Alliance CMA Member!								 Colorado Ballroom – Floor 3	

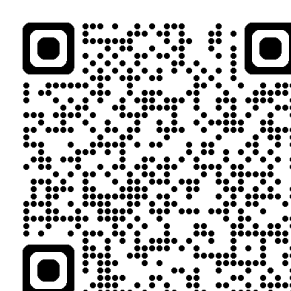


JOIN US at Alliance's Community Awareness Sporting Events!



ROCKIES:
Fri, September 18 at 6:10pm - *fireworks game!*

<https://www.alliancecolorado.org/alliance-idd-community-awareness-events>



AVALANCHE:
Weds, January 6 at 7:30pm



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