



## **Alliance Membership Meeting**

September 21, 2023

**9:00-10:00am**

## **Alliance State Forum with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CPDHE) and Colorado Department of Early Childhood (CDEC)**

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**10:00-11:00am**

**The Alliance Membership Meeting will be recorded, and meeting highlights will be provided after.**

**<https://www.alliancecolorado.org/membershipmeetings>**



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## BOD Updates (Celeste)



**Celeste Ewert**

Alliance Board President  
(FY2023-24)

and

Executive Director of [Envision](https://envisionco.org)  
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### •Action Items

- [August 2023 Minutes](#) (Tara)
- [July 2023 Financials](#) (Cindy)
- [August 2023 Financials](#) (Cindy)
- New Strategic Partner: [The BI Collaborative](#) (Cindy)

### •Member Feedback (Standing Agenda Item)

- Summit Debrief
- Peer Networks Feedback
  - Rural Peer Network ([notes](#))
  - Behavioral Therapists Peer Network ([notes](#))
- PHE unwind and financial eligibility redetermination
- HCPF Data Breach
- Transportation
- Care in Case Management System
- TBA (Any other feedback from members?)

### •High Priority Items

- CDPHE/HCPF/Alliance Relations
- Host Home Oversight Stakeholder Committee
- GRACE Subcommittee on Long Term Rates
- Direct Care Workforce Stabilization

### •Discussion Items

- Upcoming Events:
  - Holiday Social (December 6<sup>th</sup>)
  - Awareness Day 2024 (Hold: March 20<sup>th</sup>)
  - ANCOR Conference in Santa Fe (April 8-10)
  - Alliance on the Road (June 19-20)

- Member Dues Updates

### •Staff Updates

- ERIC Update
- Alliance End of 2022-23 FY Budget Update
- Evolution of Alliance
- ANCOR's 2023 Suellen Galbraith Award for Excellence in Public Policy
- CCB/CMA meeting with Amanda. Confidential: [CCB/CMA Meeting 9.21.23 @ 4pm: CCB Billing Technical Guide Requirements](#)

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## Policy Committee Reports



### Randy Brodersen

CEO of [North Metro Community Services](#)

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### Shari Repinski

CEO of [Rocky Mountain Human Services](#)

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### Government Relations Advisory Committee of Excellence (GRACE)

- Long-Term Rates Subcommittee
- Update on GRACE's current work – meeting in October
- DSP for a Day and Legislative Tours
- Save the Date: October 19th is the Alliance Annual Election and Pre-Session Update

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### Tara Kiene

Alliance Executive Committee  
Member and  
President/CEO at [Community  
Connections, Inc.](#)

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### Cordelia Robinson Rosenberg

Professor Emerita with [The  
Colorado Office of Employment First](#)

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- **Emergency Response in Communities (ERIC) Committee**
  - Cross System Crisis Response Regional Training
    - CO BlueSky: 1
    - Community Connections: 1
    - Community Options: 2
    - DP: 4
    - Envision: 2
    - Foothills Gateway: 2
    - Imagine!: 4
    - Mesa/Strive: 1
    - North Metro: 1
    - RMHS: 3
    - TRE: 1
    - Blue Peaks, DDRC, Eastern, Horizons, Inspiration Field, MVDS, Southeastern & Starpoint: 0

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### Matt VanAuken

Alliance Board Member

(Term Ends 6/30/24)

& Executive Director/CEO of  
[Developmental Pathways \(CCB\)](#)

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- [CMA/CCB Committee](#)

- Care and Case Management System: CCB Billing Technical Guide Requirements
- Follow up on CMA Executive Committee Meeting on 9/18
- ARPA Grant money parameters
- JBC and OSPB Staff tours

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### Rob DeHerrera

Alliance/OEC EI Task Force  
Chair and Executive Director  
at [Developmental Disabilities  
Resource Center](#)

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- **Early Intervention**
  - [Request from CO Speech Association re: Speech Language Pathologist Assistants Sunrise Application](#)
  - Meetings with CDEC on [Alliance's EI Priorities to Improve EI Services.](#)
  - [Updates from EI Workforce Investment Committee](#)
  - [EI RFP Listening Sessions Announced](#)
    - September 26, 10:00 am - 11:00 am Link for 9/26 Meeting
    - • October 3, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Link for 10/3 Meeting
  - EI Task Force Meeting Coming Soon!



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## Staff Updates

- **High Priority Work Updates**
  - CDPHE/HCPF/Alliance Relations (Work to improve the survey process.)
  - Host Home Oversight Committee
  - Evolution of Alliance
- **State Updates**
  - Public Health Emergency Unwind
  - HCPF (third party) Data Breach
- **Federal Updates**
  - Administrative (Rules, Rules, and more Rules)
    - CMS Access Rule
    - DOL Overtime Rule
    - ACL APS Rule
    - Section 504 “Community Integration” Rule
  - Legislative
    - Potential Government Shutdown- What does this mean for HCBS?
    - U.S. Senate DSP Resolution
    - SOC Bill
    - SSI Penalty Elimination Act
  - Other
    - California IDD Association Conference Update



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## Important Upcoming Dates to Note (Kylie)



- **2023 ANCOR Policy Summit in D.C. (October 10-11)**
- **Holiday Social: December 6th in Denver (Location TBA)**
- [Alliance's 2024 Community Awareness Day at the Avalanche is Jan 16!](#)
- **IDD Awareness Day at the Capitol (Date/Location TBA)**
- **ANCOR Conference in Santa Fe (April 8-10)**
- **Alliance on the Road: Weld County (June 19–20)**

### [Alliance Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility \(IDEA\) Committee](#)

September 27 @ 12:00 - 1:00pm via zoom

### **NEW!**: [Employment Peer Network Forum](#)

September 28 @ 11:00am via zoom

### **NEW!**: [Nurses Peer Network Forum](#)

October 3 @ 11:00am via zoom

### [GRACE](#)

October 5 @ 9:00 – 10:30am via zoom

### [Alliance Emergency Response in Communities \(ERIC\) Committee](#)

October 10 @ 1:00 - 2:00pm

### [Alliance Board Meeting](#)

October 17 @ 3:00 - 4:30pm via zoom

### [Alliance IDEA Webinar: Building a Foundation for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion](#)

October 18 @ 1:00 - 2:00pm via zoom

### [Alliance Membership Meeting](#)

October 19 @ 9:00 - 10:00am via zoom

### [Alliance State Forum ft. OCL](#)

October 19 @ 10:00am via zoom

*Remember, you can always reference the Alliance Calendar here: [www.alliancecolorado.org/alliance-calendar](http://www.alliancecolorado.org/alliance-calendar)*

*CAN Members can reference: [www.alliancecolorado.org/canmembersonly](http://www.alliancecolorado.org/canmembersonly)*



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## Membership Discussion and Feedback Forum (Kylie)

- Future agenda items.
- Feedback for the Alliance BOD.
- Questions for fellow members.
- Questions for state partners.
- Feedback for staff.

