

CHA Priorities for Hospital Fee Reform

CHA proposes a collaborative path forward, starting now, before fiscal pressure forces harder choices later.



Absent a new funding source, program reductions could be required as soon as state fiscal year 2028–29.

CHA seeks a modernized fee built on these principles:

- 1** The hospital provider fee is just one component of the state’s safety-net health care financing strategy
- 2** A hospital provider fee program must benefit hospitals, low-income Coloradans, and the state budget — a “win-win-win” structure
- 3** A provider fee program that protects hospital supplemental payments as the primary objective and first priority
- 4** A model that values and seeks to preserve Medicaid coverage for as many Coloradans as possible
- 5** A model that optimizes funding opportunities for Medicaid
- 6** A model that supports an efficient, effective Medicaid program with appropriate cost controls for benefits and administration
- 7** An administrative structure that ensures the CHASE board and the MSB have sufficient support to fulfill their statutory obligations for oversight and accountability

Colorado’s hospital community looks forward to being a constructive part of the important discussions to come about the future of Medicaid financing in Colorado.

Learn more and read the full report at **cha.com/issues/hospital-provider-fee-report**

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CHA Recommended Policy Scope & Focus Areas

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| 1 Opportunities to optimize Medicaid funding | 3 Strategies to preserve the fee and enterprise structure to protect the state’s General Fund |
| 2 Options to reduce health care spending for CHASE-financed Medicaid populations | 4 Approaches to strengthen governance and ensure efficient administration |