

Colorado Multi-Sector Plan on Aging

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Multi-Sector Plan on Aging

- State led, cross-sector, ten year blueprint for improving/developing an infrastructure to best support older adults
- Includes state agencies, philanthropy, business community, local governments, nonprofits/community based organizations, higher education, etc.
- Implementation plan- The nitty gritty of how we make changes to support older adults

Age Friendly Communities

Healthcare

Economic Security

Housing

Transportation

Caregiving

Ageism

Benefits Access

Social Isolation

Funding

Timeline



Five Strategic Goals

- 1: Connected Communities
- 2: Healthcare Access
- 3: Long Term Services and Supports
- 4: Colorado's Economy
- 5: Economic Security

Goal 1: Create Connected Communities that Support All Coloradans

1. Housing (H)
2. Transportation (T)
3. Social Participation (SP)
4. Outdoor Spaces and Buildings (OS&P)
5. Communication and Information (C&I)
6. Civic Participation and Employment (CP&E)
7. Community Support and Health Service (CS&HS)
8. Respect and Social Inclusion (R&SI)

Goal 2: Build a Colorado that supports the healthcare needs of all Older Coloradans

1. Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
2. Health Benefits Satisfaction
3. Improve Access to Appropriate Providers and Care

Goal 3: Create a person-centered service delivery model

1. Data Collection strategy refinement
2. Alternative funding models
3. Trust building amongst skeptical older adults
4. Increasing service provider capacity
5. Developing and stabilizing the direct care workforce
6. Developing a blueprint to support family caregivers

Goal 4: Understand the economic impact of Colorado's growing older adult population

1. Champion initiatives to encourage hiring and retention of older workers
2. Encourage volunteer and civic engagement opportunities for older adults
3. Analyze the fiscal and psychosocial impacts of concentrated retirement
4. Engage private philanthropy to support the needs of older adults
5. Examine technology/digital access implications
6. Engagement of private sector

Goal 5: Prioritize the economic security of all Older Coloradans

1. Create more housing options to support the changing needs of older adults
2. Reduce food insecurity by developing innovative and culturally responsive solutions
3. Streamline public benefits access to reduce burden on users
4. Develop a blueprint to improve income security for older Coloradans

Goal 1: Create Connected Communities that Support All Coloradans

Year 1 Initiatives:

- ★ 1.1 Age Friendly Communities Framework Development (AFC)
- 1.2 Colorado State Affordable Housing Fund: Proposition 123 (H)
- 1.3 Tiered Assisted Living Rates (H)
- ★ 1.4 Long Term Care Decision Making Tool Exploration (H)
- ★ 1.5 Rural Transportation Economic Development Coalition Building (T)
- ★ 1.6 Resource Navigation Tool (C&I)

Goal 1: Create Connected Communities that Support All Coloradans

1.7 Hidden Gems Initiative build out (CPE&E)

 1.8 Explore local MPA framework models (CP&E)

1.9 Bridging I/DD and Aging Strategies Coalition development (CS&HS)

1.10 Transform the Perception of Aging Partnership (R&SI)

Goal 2: Build a Colorado that supports the healthcare needs of all Older Coloradans

Year 1 Initiatives

2.1 Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias State Plan Implementation

2.2 PEAK User Experience Data Collection

2.3 Health IT Roadmap Update

2.4 AAA USAging Readingness Assessment Next Steps

Goal 3: Create a person-centered service delivery model

Year 1 Initiatives

3.1 Colorado First Choice Implementation and Data Collection

3.2 OAA Final Rule Implementation



3.3 Older Adult Home and Community Based Services Cost Avoidance Analysis

3.4 National Academy for State Health Policy Caregiving State Policy Learning Collaborative

3.5 Disability Service Needs Assessment

Goal 4: Understand the economic impact of Colorado's growing older adult population

Year 1 Initiatives

4.1 Older Worker Employment Blueprint

4.2 Colorado Digital Access Plan County and Regional Coalition Launch

Goal 5: Prioritize the economic security of all Older Coloradans

Year 1 Initiatives

- ★ 5.1 Explore benefit retention policies with expanded work status (Benefits cliff)
- 5.2 Improve SNAP timeliness
- ★ 5.3 Research Middle Income Solvency

What's Next?

- Implementation
 - Small tweaks to plan regarding HR1, federal changes, budget impacts
- Public Private Partnership development
- Year 2 Initiative development

CCOA Subcommittees

Age Friendly Communities: 3rd Monday of the month, noon-1pm

Healthcare: 4th Monday of the month, 3pm-4pm*

Long Term Services and Supports: No cadence scheduled yet

Workforce: 3rd Wednesday of the month, 1pm-2pm

Economic Security: No cadence scheduled yet

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