

# Colorado Commission on Criminal & Juvenile Justice

# FY2011 RECOMMENDATION/FY11-D21 PRIORITIZE EARLY HEALTH CARE INTERVENTIONS AND ALIGNMENT OF RESOURCES

Status: Implementation Unknown

# **Actions/Updates**

#### **2017 UPDATE**

No action on this recommendation.

#### **2016 UPDATE**

No action on this recommendation.

#### **2015 UPDATE**

No action on this recommendation.

#### **2014 UPDATE**

No action on this recommendation.

#### **2013 UPDATE**

No action on this recommendation.

# 2012 ACTION/IMPLEMENTATION

Unknown

# **Description**

The commission supports the efforts of the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) to prioritize early health care interventions and the alignment of resources to increase the efficiency of service delivery and patient access to services.

# **Agencies Responsible**

Health Care Policy and Financing

#### Discussion

To expand access to services, every effort should be made to remove barriers to accessing behavioral health service benefits for offenders. This requires proactively considering the justice population in health care reforms. HCPF plays a key role in this proposal because it is managing the implementation of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (P.L.

111-148, PPACA) and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (P.L. 111-152). These reforms expand Medicaid and so will significantly improve access to substance abuse and mental health services for many individuals in the justice system, including young adults and adults without children.