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**Community Health Provider Alliance (CHPA) Achieves Record \$17.3 Million Medicare Savings in 2023, Marking Five Years of Consecutive Success**

*Collaborative Efforts by Colorado Community Health Centers Continue to Improve Quality, Lower Costs, and Advance Value-Based Care*

**Denver, Colorado — Community Health Provider Alliance (CHPA)** delivered exceptional results in 2023, improving care for **13,124** Medicare beneficiaries across **Colorado** and achieving **\$17,288,693** in Medicare savings. By meeting rigorous quality and cost benchmarks, CHPA continues to lead in value-based care innovation, as confirmed by recent data from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the federal agency that administers Medicare.

Medicare data shows CHPA's network earned a quality score of **74.37%** on performance measures ranging from preventive health checks to use of computerized health records to preventing avoidable hospitalizations. The **\$17,288,693** of gross savings to Medicare resulted in a shared savings payment of **\$8,471,459** to CHPA, which will directly and indirectly benefit participating Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), also known as Community Health Centers (CHCs). These funds will fuel CHPA initiatives designed to enhance value-based care, ensuring Colorado communities receive high-quality, coordinated healthcare.

In 2023, a record-breaking 480 Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) nationwide participated in the CMS Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP), collectively generating over \$5.2 billion in gross savings—the largest in program history. Among these, CHPA emerged as a leader, delivering results that reinforce its commitment to improving care quality and reducing costs.

CHPA joined MSSP in 2017, and shared savings were first earned in the third performance year of 2019. CHPA has continued achieving savings since then, providing **\$70 million in total savings for CMS over the last five years**. CHPA drives innovation through programs that reduce costs and elevate care quality.

CHPA's member CHCs who participated in the MSSP program prioritize increasing the number of Medicare beneficiaries who complete annual wellness visits, including recommended screenings and preventive care. They also focus on managing patients with chronic conditions and addressing complex social risk factors. To support these efforts, CHPA provides all member CHCs with detailed performance data on quality measures. Furthermore, clinicians and providers collaborate to share best practices, ensuring coordinated care across primary and specialty providers. This approach helps prevent health complications and reduces repeat hospitalizations, improving outcomes for Medicare beneficiaries.

The 18 participating member CHCs have independent electronic health records (EHRs) and in addition to achieving savings in the 2023 performance year, CHPA was one of approximately 72 ACOS—out of a total of 480 participating—able to report electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs).

CHPA member CHCs who participated in the MSSP program in 2023 include:

Axis Health Systems	River Valley Family Health Center
Clinica Family Health & Wellness	Salud Family Health
High Plains Community Health Center	Sheridan Health Services
Inner City Health	STRIDE Community Health Center
Marillac Health	Summit Community Care Clinic
Mountain Family Health Centers	Sunrise Community Health
Northwest Colorado Health	Tepeyac Community Health Center
Peak Vista Community Health Centers	Uncompahgre Medical Center
Pueblo Community Health Center	Valley-Wide Health Systems

A market-based solution to address fragmented and costly care, CHPA empowers Colorado CHCs to work together and take responsibility for improving quality, enhancing patient experience, and keeping care affordable. MSSP creates incentives for ACOs like CHPA to invest in transforming care by allowing them to share in savings generated while meeting defined quality and cost goals.

“We are inspired by the success our members have achieved in this program over the past several years and the profound impact their efforts have on building healthier communities here in Colorado,” said Brandi Apodaca, Chief Operating Officer of CHPA. “By appropriately utilizing healthcare services, they are improving outcomes for patients while also reducing costs to the state.”

CHPA remains committed to driving forward value-based care initiatives, supporting its members, and ensuring healthier communities across Colorado. With a track record of success, CHPA is poised to continue delivering innovative, cost-effective care solutions that meet the needs of Medicare beneficiaries statewide.

Additional information about MSSP and 2023 results: [Medicare Shared Savings Program Continues to Deliver Meaningful Savings and High-Quality Health Care](#) | [NAACOS Congratulates ACOs for Record-Breaking Savings and High-Quality Care](#) | [Performance Year Financial and Quality Results](#)

Learn more about ACOs: [What is an ACO?](#)—and the [ABCs of ACOs](#).

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Community Health Provider Alliance (CHPA) is a nonprofit accountable care organization (ACO) formed around a statewide integrated network of Colorado Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), also known as Community Health Centers (CHCs), that offer comprehensive primary care services to their patients.

Formed in 2014 as a 501(c)(3) organization, CHPA has helped decrease overall healthcare costs and increased patient satisfaction in Colorado. The integrated network of 20 CHCs and one urban Indian health program participate in various payer-specific quality improvement projects in Medicare, Medicaid, and Commercial contracts. The network of providers includes more than 1,000 medical and behavioral health providers that operate in more than 247 locations across the state of Colorado. These providers deliver care to over 857,00 lives.

As high-performing primary care providers, members of CHPA agree to work together, focused on adopting and implementing best practices to improve the health and well-being of their patients. Providers and clinics actively participate in CHPA programs and initiatives to improve the quality, efficiency, and coordination of patient care, including:

- Participating in clinical education, care coordination activities, and regular clinical and quality improvement meetings.
- Continuous review of performance data, demonstrating improvements and progress toward CHPA goals.
- Implementing population health management strategies, including the implementation of health information technology to improve systems, care coordination, population management, and risk adjustment.
- Overall, working to achieve the quintuple aim: enhancing the care experience, care team wellbeing, advancing health equity, reducing costs, and improving population health.

Learn more about CHPA and its members at [chpanetwork.com](http://chpanetwork.com).