



Department of Health Care Policy & Financing FY 23 Annual Performance Report (November 2023)

Wildly Important Goals

The Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (HCPF) has identified several wildly important goals ([WIGs](#))¹ for FY 2022-23 and beyond. For this annual performance report, the Department has updated progress on those goals identified in its FY 2022-23 Performance Plan that capture the Department's WIGs and reflect the overall direction as identified by Department leadership.

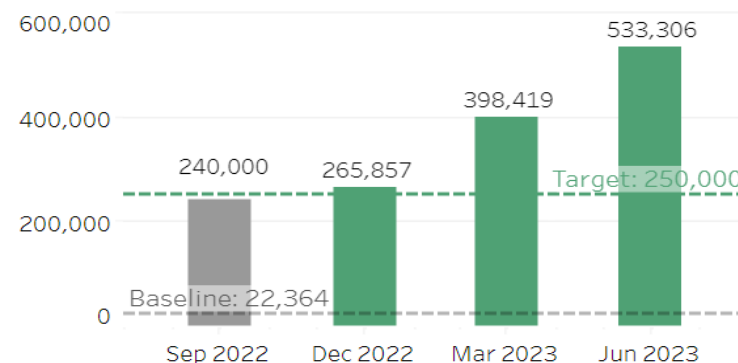
Additional detail for these, and other, WIGs is available in the Department's Performance Plan, which may be accessed here <https://hcpf.colorado.gov/performance-plan>.

WIG 1: Medicaid Value Based Payments - Increase the number of Coloradans served by primary care providers moving to more advanced Alternative Payment Models from 22,364 to 250,000 by June 30, 2023.

Traditional fee-for-service payment models reward volume over health outcomes or quality performance, and do not incentivize care providers to prioritize affordability results or patient health outcomes like closing health disparities. To address these opportunities, HCPF has implemented payment reform programs and continues to develop new payment methodologies that move away from fee-for-service payment and toward alternative payment models (APMs) that tie financial rewards to performance measures that achieve shared goals, like improving patient health, closing disparities, and/or improving health care affordability.

Successful completion of this goal will result in more Colorado Medicaid members being served by primary care providers incentivized to provide high quality, affordable health care to support improved patient outcomes, reduce disparities, and increased Medicaid affordability.

¹ <https://dashboard.colorado.gov/departments>

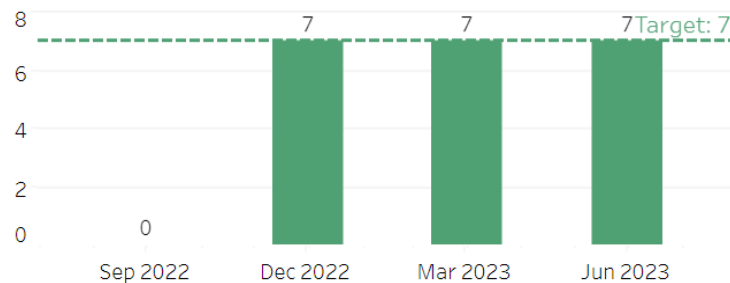




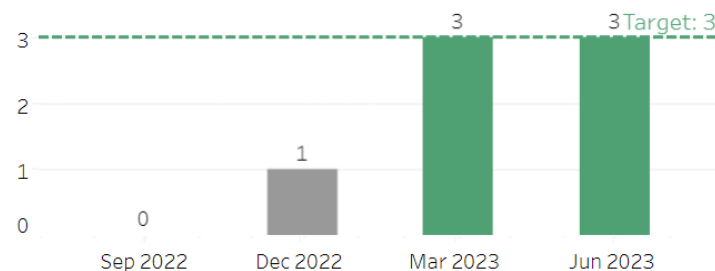
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To achieve this WIG, the Department implemented three initiatives:

1. **Amended Regional Accountable Entity (RAE) Contracts** to include in scope that they help recruit providers to participate in the APM by June 30, 2023. HCPF amended all seven contracts.



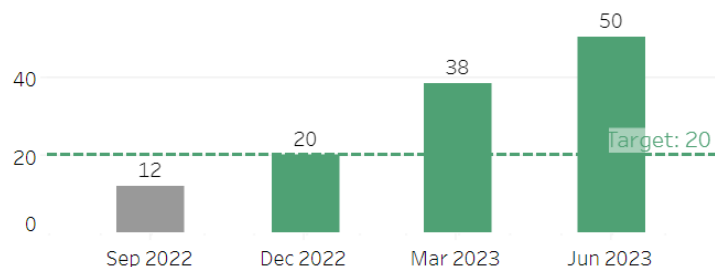
2. **Conduct at least three public stakeholder engagement meetings** with primary care provider participation so that primary care providers could help shape and participate in the APM.





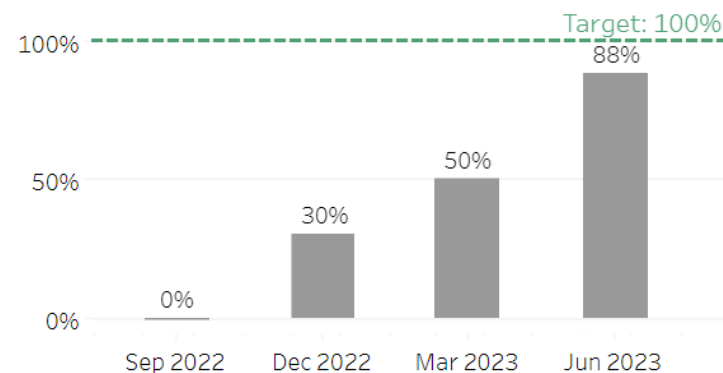
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- Conduct Outreach** to at least 20 primary care organizations, which include both groups and single practitioners, by meeting with them, sharing financial projections and reviewing the program to encourage primary care organizations to join the APM.



WIG 2: Supported Hospital Price Transparency - Review compliance with hospital price transparency legislation (HB22-1285: Prohibit Collection Hospital Not Disclosing Prices Hospital Transparency) for all 64 Colorado hospitals and develop tools to drive down hospital prices by June 30, 2023.

The majority of Colorado's hospitals have not been fully compliant with federal regulatory requirements to publish consumer friendly and machine-readable information about their prices for 300 shoppable services. House Bill 22-1285 strengthened compliance. HCPF analysts used the publicly available data to determine hospital compliance and created public facing information. This work seeks to better allow consumers, employers and insurance carriers to see prices for common procedures at each hospital, as well as help provide communities with transparent pricing information that allows them to have productive conversations with local hospitals that can result in lower prices and saving people and employers money on health care. For more information about hospital transparency, visit our [website](#).

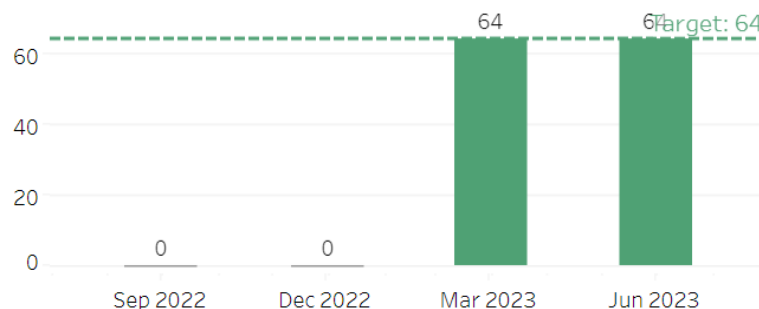




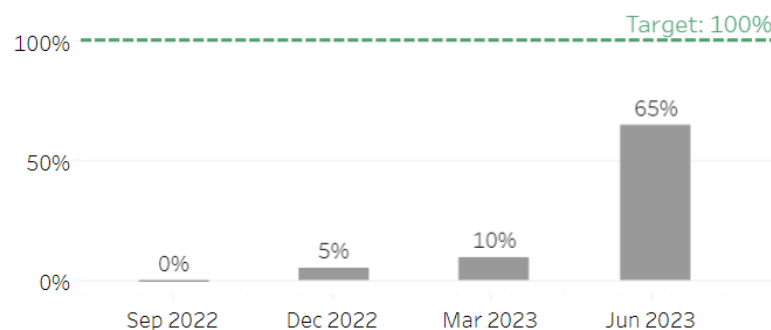
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1. **Established Compliance Baseline** by reviewing all 64 Colorado hospitals to establish a compliance baseline by June 30, 2023.



2. **Developed Hospital Price Comparison Tool** by June 30, 2023. We completed a version of this tool in June 2023; however, the data from the hospitals – needed to populate the tool – is not yet complete. Senate Bill 23-252 is expected to have a significant impact on hospital compliance in posting their prices. The tool will be populated, but after the target date of June 30 so that the data the tool produces is accurate.





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3. **Identified Highest Priced Hospitals and Lowest Priced Hospitals**, using 30 procedures or procedure bundles, and met with at least six of the hospitals to discuss their data and pricing by June 30, 2023.

