

Department of Human Services Q2 SFY2019 Performance Evaluation (December 2018)

Strategic Policy Initiatives

The Department of Human Services has identified several strategic policy initiatives for FY 2018-19 and beyond. For this performance evaluation, the Department has updated progress on the selected initiatives used in the July 2, 2018 Annual Performance Report that best capture some of the Department's strategic and operational priorities, and reflect the overall direction as identified by Department leadership. The updates reflect data as of December 31st, 2018.

Additional detail for these, and other, strategic policy initiatives is available in the Department's Performance Plan, which may be accessed here.

Thrive in the community

Expand community living options for all people served by the Department - Colorado continues its rich tradition of innovation in its services to elderly individuals and those with disabilities, mental illnesses, or substance use disorders. The Department remains committed to decreasing the number of people housed in public institutions through the development of community resource networks and high-quality community-based services. These services enable individuals to thrive in the setting of their choice.

To ensure child safety through improved prevention, access and permanency - Colorado is committed to ensuring that children living anywhere in Colorado should be in safe and permanent settings. Furthermore, the Department is committed to ensuring that children are entitled to the same level of protection from abuse and neglect everywhere in Colorado.

Achieve economic security through meaningful work

To achieve economic security for more Coloradans through employment and education - The Department remains focused on making public benefits more effective and increasing access to public benefits when eligible. There is increased emphasis on employment and how to transform the Colorado Works program to be, first and foremost, about supporting individuals to prepare for, attain, and retain employment to support their families. The Department is committed to assisting citizens served through its many programs to gain and retain employment, as well as, enhance employment opportunities over time.

Prepare for educational success throughout their lives

To improve kindergarten readiness through quality early care and learning options for all Coloradans - As the Office of Early Childhood enters the fourth year since its creation in 2012, it remains focused on supporting the parents of young children to ensure educational success. The two divisions in the Office of Early Childhood work collaboratively to champion the needs of young children in Colorado through their work with community partners, including Nurse Family Partnership, Head Start, child care providers, Early Childhood Councils, Family Resource Centers, and the Children's Trust Fund. The Office is committed to increasing high-quality access for children and ensuring that children receive early intervention services that are timely and appropriate.

To return youth committed to the Division of Youth Services (DYS) to the community better prepared to succeed through education received while in the custody of the Department - The Division of Youth Services provides educational services to youth residing in state-operated facilities and those placed in contract residential programs. In 2014, subject matter experts were hired and hardware purchased to lay the foundation for improving the DYS educational infrastructure. In addition to the services provided to youth in state-operated and contract programs, DYS also assists youth in connecting with community services and institutions upon parole. Division of Youth Services' client manager parole officers work collaboratively with local school districts, alternative schools, community colleges, and private providers of tutoring services to ensure youth are placed in the appropriate school setting to meet their needs.



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Operational Measures

Thrive in the community

Measure	SFY12	SFY13	SFY14	SFY15	SFY16	SFY17	SFY18	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	1-Year	3-Year
	Actual	SFY2019	SFY2019	SFY2019	SFY2019	Goal	Goal						
Timeliness of Contracting - Community Behavioral Health	n/a	95%**	n/a	n/a	n/a	15%	15%						
Percent with Safety Improvement – Aging and Adult Services	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	82.9%*	86.8%	91.3%	89.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a	90%	90%
MAT Population in Need Receiving Treatment	n/a	21.7%**	n/a	n/a	n/a	50%	50%						
Completion of Roadmap to Success (Independent Living Plans)	n/a	81.0%**	n/a	n/a	n/a	90%	90%						
Completion of Emancipation Transition Plans	n/a	37.8%**	n/a	n/a	n/a	90%	90%						
Percentage of children and youth in congregate care settings	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.1%^	7.8%	7.5%	6.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a	6.1%	6.1%
Timeliness of Initial Response to Abuse/Neglect Assessments	87.0%	87.9%	88.8%	88.0%	89.7%	92.7%	93.9%	85.9%	n/a	n/a	n/a	95%	95%

Measures in the above table run on a State Fiscal Year (SFY).

^{*} Note: These measures were added to this performance evaluation in Fiscal Year 2016 and thus past Fiscal Year data is not available.

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[^] Note: A new methodology began in Fiscal Year 2016; the methodology of the measure was changed to the degree that comparison to past data is not possible.



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Measure	CY12	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	1-Year	3-Year
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	CY2018	CY2018	CY2018	CY2018	Goal	Goal
Percentage of monthly Food Assistance expedited applications processed within seven calendar days	89.6%	91.5%	89.8%	93.1%	97.1%	97.7%	95.4%	96.4%	96.5%	n/a	95.0%	95.0%

Measures in the above table run on a Calendar Year (CY).

Achieve economic security through meaningful work

Measure	SFY12	SFY13	SFY14	SFY15	SFY16	SFY17	SFY18	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	1-Year	3-Year
	Actual	SFY2019	SFY2019	SFY2019	SFY2019	Goal	Goal						
Percentage of Colorado Works	n/a	n/a	30.9%	32.0%	30.9%	32.1%	35.7%	21.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	25.0%	35.0%
participants gaining													
employment													

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Measure	CY12	CY13	CY14	CY15	CY16	CY17	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	1-Year	3-Year
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	CY2018	CY2018	CY2018	CY2018	Goal	Goal
Collection percentage of current	62.8%	63.0%	63.8%	64.5%	64.1%	64.2%	63.8%	64.5%	64.6%	n/a	65.0%	66.0%
child support due												

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Prepare for educational success throughout their lives

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	Actual	SFY2019	SFY2019	SFY2019	SFY2019	Goal	Goal						
Licensed Child Care	n/a	23.6%*	n/a	n/a	n/a	23.5%	23.5%						
Providers Eligible for a													
Quality Rating that Achieve													
a Colorado Shines Level 3-5													
Provider Engagement with	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	25.9%	41.0%	51.9%	53.8%	n/a	n/a	n/a	60%	60%
the Colorado Shines Quality													
Rating and Improvement													
System (QRIS)													
Percentage of youth	62.7%	71.4%	78.2%	90.2%	83.5%	90.4%	79.9%	93.8%	n/a	n/a	n/a	85%	85%
enrolled in education or													
employed at discharge													

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