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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101   CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE WORKFORCE CAPACITY CENTER.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov/.)

Joint Budget Committee. The bill requires the department of health care policy and financing, in collaboration with the behavioral health administration, to establish the workforce capacity center to train providers in evidence-based or supported models as part of the system of care for children and youth.

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April 25, 2025

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April 24, 2025

1   *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2   **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-6-2001, **add**

3   (7.5) as follows:

4   **25.5-6-2001. System of care for children and youth - federal**

5   **authorization - leadership and implementation team - workforce**

6   **capacity center - report - rules - definition - repeal.** (7.5) (a) THE

7   STATE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

8   ADMINISTRATION ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 27-50-102, SHALL ESTABLISH

9   THE WORKFORCE CAPACITY CENTER TO TRAIN PROVIDERS IN

10   EVIDENCE-BASED OR SUPPORTED MODELS AS PART OF THE SYSTEM OF

11   CARE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS

12   SECTION, INCLUDING TRAINING ON HIGH-FIDELITY WRAPAROUND FOR

13   CHILDREN AND YOUTH PURSUANT TO PART 1 OF ARTICLE 62 OF TITLE 27,

14   INTENSIVE IN-HOME TREATMENT MODELS, AND OTHER INTERVENTIONS.

15   (b) THE WORKFORCE CAPACITY CENTER MUST ASSIST PROVIDERS

16   IN MAINTAINING ONGOING TRAINING TO ENSURE INTERVENTIONS ARE

17   APPLIED ACCURATELY.

18   (c) THE WORKFORCE CAPACITY CENTER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR:

19   (I) DEVELOPING THE TRAININGS FOR PROVIDERS;

20   (II) CONDUCTING THE TRAININGS;

21   (III) COVERING THE COSTS INCURRED BY PROVIDERS COMPLETING

22   THE TRAININGS; AND

23   (IV) PROVIDING ONGOING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR PROVIDERS

24   ACROSS THE STATE OF COLORADO WHILE PARTICIPATING IN TRAINING.

25   (d) (I) IN THE QUARTERLY REPORT TO THE JOINT BUDGET

26   COMMITTEE REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7)(b) OF THIS SECTION,

27   THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE UPDATES ON THE WORK OF THE

1 WORKFORCE CAPACITY CENTER. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE KEY

2 MILESTONES FOR STARTUP ACTIVITIES, WHAT TRAININGS ARE OFFERED,

3 THE NUMBER OF TRAININGS BEING PROVIDED EACH MONTH, THE NUMBER

4 AND TYPE OF CERTIFICATIONS EARNED BY PROVIDERS AS A RESULT OF THE

5 TRAININGS, THE NUMBER OF CERTIFIED PROVIDERS ENROLLED AS

6 MEDICAID PROVIDERS, AND THE LOCATIONS WHERE THOSE CERTIFIED

7 PROVIDERS PRACTICE.

8   (II) IN THE QUARTERLY REPORT SUBMITTED TO THE JOINT BUDGET

9 COMMITTEE IN JANUARY 2027, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE

10 AN ANALYSIS OF THE WORKFORCE CAPACITY CENTER'S WORK THAT

11 INCLUDES AN OVERVIEW OF THE IMPACT OF THE WORKFORCE CAPACITY

12 CENTER AND A RECOMMENDATION ON THE CONTINUATION, REDUCTION, OR

13 CLOSURE OF THE CENTER.

14   (e) THIS SUBSECTION (7.5) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2027.

15   **SECTION 2.   Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,

16 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate

17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for

18 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state

19 institutions.