

The BHA

An overview of Colorado's Behavioral Health Administration

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COLORADO
Behavioral Health
Administration



BHA Commissioner



**Chief Administrative and
Financial Officer**

Finance

**Human
Resources**

Operations

**Project
Management**



**Deputy Commissioner
of Engagement**

**Policy &
External Affairs**

**Strategy &
Engagement**

Communications



**Deputy Commissioner of
Systems and Programs**

**Statewide
Programs**

**Health Info
Technology**

**Analytics &
Evaluation**

**Quality &
Standards**

The Governor's Behavioral Health Task Force identified the six pillars needed for a strong behavioral health system in Colorado.







Behavioral Health Entity (BHE)
Rules

ARPA Grant Awards

Looking Ahead



RFI CLOSES

OCTOBER 2023

BHA is seeking feedback on the BHASO contract structure



WORKFORCE FUNDING

FALL 2023

\$20 million in investments across three workforce development programs



LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

JANUARY 2024

BHA will launch an online learning hub for providers and other professionals to learn more about behavioral health best practices

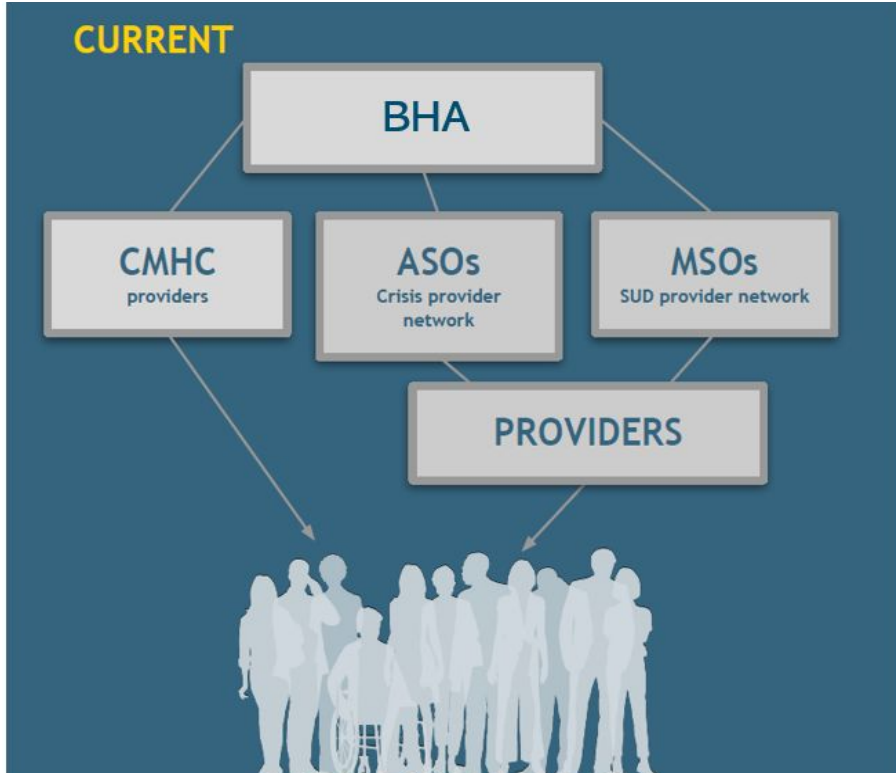


BHE RULES EFFECTIVE

SPRING 2024

BHA assumes regulatory and licensing role for behavioral health entities

Streamlining Regional Services



Breakout of Funding by Major Services (FY23)

Community Mental Health Centers - \$61 M

General Funds
\$45.0M (73%)

Cash Funds
\$5.5M (9%)

Federal Funds
\$6.7M (11%)

Stimulus Federal Funds
\$4.0M (7%)

Crisis Administrative Service Organizations - \$39 M

General Funds
\$25.7M (66%)

Cash Funds
\$4.1M (11%)

Federal Funds
\$5M (13%)

Stimulus Federal Funds
\$4.0M (10%)

Substance Use Managed Service Organization - \$112 M

General Funds
\$30.3M (27%)

Cash Funds
\$30.5M (27%)

Reappropriated Funds
\$2.4M (2%)


Federal Funds
\$34.5M (31%)

Stimulus Federal Funds
\$14.2M (13%)


The BHASOs will:




Consolidate MSOs, ASOs, and services offered by CMHCs.



Provide a continuum of behavioral health safety net services and care coordination.

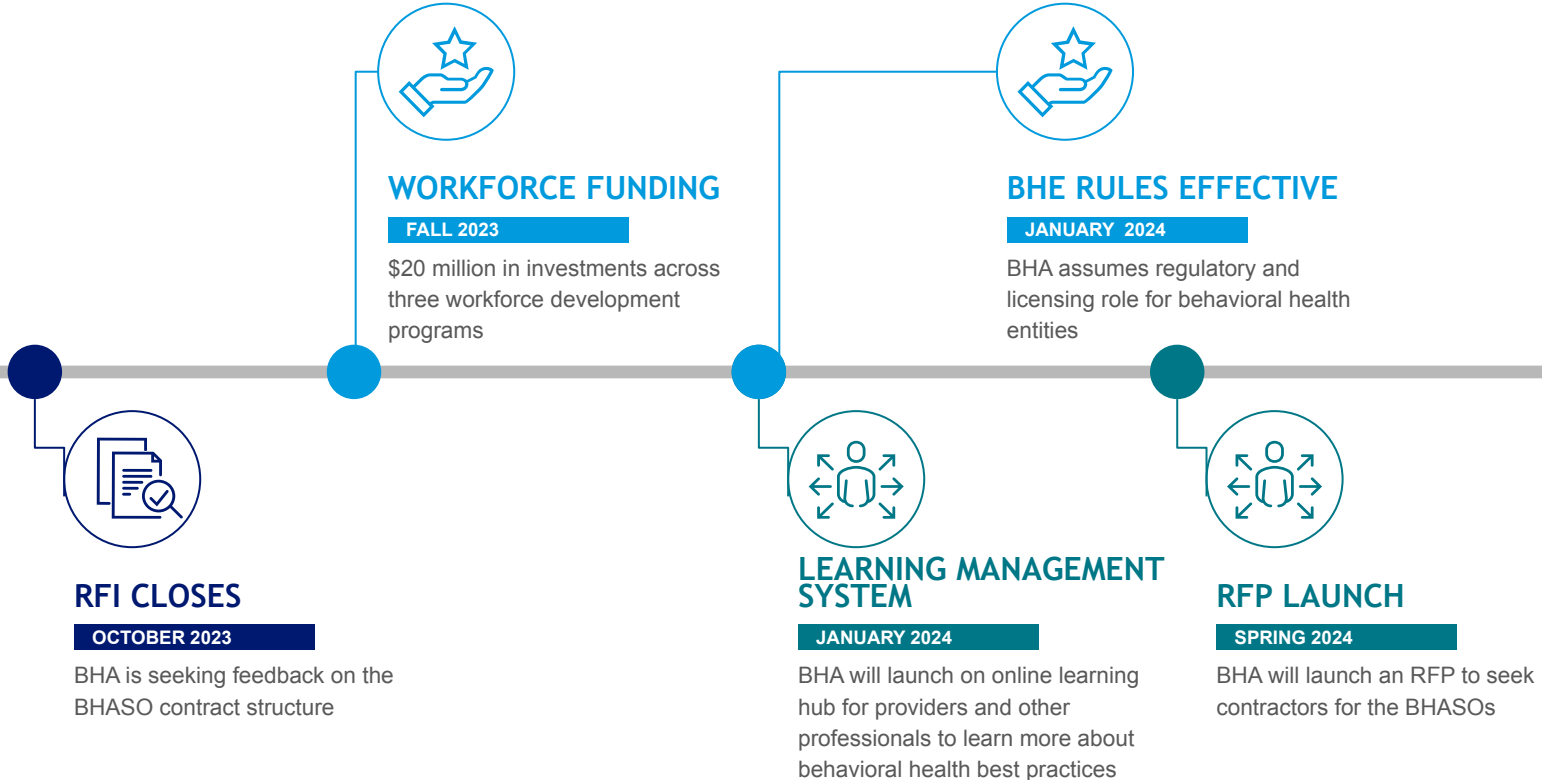


Help individuals and families connect to behavioral health care and ensure timely access to service.



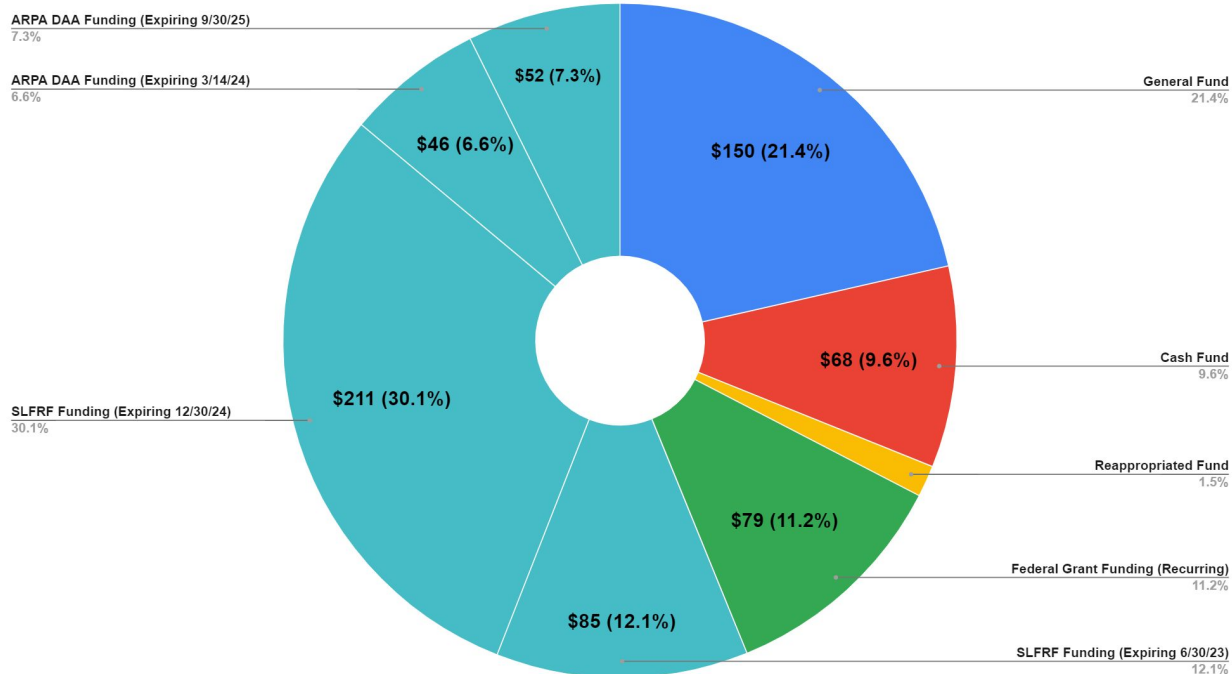
Interface and align with the RAEs that manage services and provide care coordination for Medicaid members.

Looking Ahead



Overview of BHA Funding (FY24)

Total Funding (\$M)



Approximately
~\$600M budget in
FY24.

BHA estimates
administrative cost of
about \$18M, which
would account for
only 3% of total costs.

Progress on R-01 Hiring

Phased staffing plan	
September	18
October	7
November	1

Division	Hired	In Recruiting Process	PD drafting	Grand Total
Analytics, Evaluation, and Epidemiology	2	3		5
Fiscal	1	1	2	4
Health Information Technology			3	3
Human Resources and Operations			2	2
Intergovernmental & Community Engagement	1		4	5
Policy and External Affairs			1	1
Quality and Standards			4	4
Statewide Programs			2	2
Grand Total	4	4	18	26

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