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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING SUPPORTING THE PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL**
102 **WORKFORCE.**

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>.)

The bill requires the department of human services (state department) to establish procedures to approve recovery support services organizations for reimbursement of peer support professional services. The bill also gives the executive director of the state department rule-making authority to establish other criteria and standards as necessary.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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The bill permits a recovery support services organization to charge and submit for reimbursement from the medical assistance program certain eligible peer support services provided by peer support professionals.

The bill authorizes the department of health care policy and financing to reimburse recovery support services organizations for permissible claims for peer support services submitted under the medical services program.

The bill requires contracts entered into between the state department's office of behavioral health and designated managed service organizations to include terms and conditions related to the support of peer-run recovery support services organizations.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 27-60-108 as
3 follows:

4 **27-60-108. Peer support professionals - cash fund - fees -**
5 **requirements - rules - legislative declaration - definitions.** (1)(a) THE
6 GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

7 (I) PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS HELP PEOPLE ACHIEVE THEIR
8 RECOVERY GOALS THROUGH SHARED UNDERSTANDING, RESPECT, AND
9 EMPOWERMENT. PEER SUPPORT OFFERS A FORM OF ACCEPTANCE,
10 UNDERSTANDING, AND VALIDATION NOT OFTEN FOUND IN OTHER
11 PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.

12 (II) THE FEDERAL CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID
13 SERVICES RECOGNIZE THAT PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS CAN BE AN
14 IMPORTANT COMPONENT IN A STATE'S DELIVERY OF EFFECTIVE MENTAL
15 HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT;

16 (III) PEER SUPPORT SERVICES CAN CUT HOSPITALIZATIONS,
17 INCREASE A PERSON'S ENGAGEMENT IN SELF-CARE AND WELLNESS, AND
18 HELP TO DECREASE A PERSON'S PSYCHOTIC SYMPTOMS;

19 (IV) THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC HAS EXACERBATED COLORADO'S

1 EXISTING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WORKFORCE SHORTAGE, PARTICULARLY
2 IN RURAL AREAS AND COMMUNITIES OF COLOR;

3 (V) COLORADO LACKS A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WORKFORCE THAT
4 REFLECTS THE CULTURE, ETHNICITY, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER
5 IDENTITY, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE EXPERIENCES, AND SUBSTANCE USE
6 DISORDER EXPERIENCES OF INDIVIDUALS IN THE STATE;

7 (VI) IN THE PAST TWO YEARS, THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE
8 NEEDED BUT HAVE NOT RECEIVED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES HAS
9 NEARLY DOUBLED. CHALLENGES TO THE WORKFORCE IS CONSIDERED THE
10 LEADING CAUSE FOR THE DECREASED AVAILABILITY OF BEHAVIORAL
11 HEALTH SERVICES. PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS CAN HELP FILL
12 COLORADO'S WORKFORCE NEED.

13 (VII) THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
14 ADMINISTRATION HAS IDENTIFIED PEER-RUN ORGANIZATIONS AS AN
15 EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE. PEER-RUN ORGANIZATIONS MAY OFFER A
16 VARIETY OF SERVICES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- 17 (A) PEER-RUN DROP-IN CENTERS;
- 18 (B) RECOVERY AND WELLNESS CENTERS;
- 19 (C) EMPLOYMENT SERVICES;
- 20 (D) PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION ACTIVITIES;
- 21 (E) PEER MENTORING FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS;
- 22 (F) WARM LINES; OR
- 23 (G) ADVOCACY SERVICES.

24 (VIII) PEER-RUN ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING RECOVERY
25 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, ARE IMPORTANT COMPONENTS IN
26 COLORADO'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM. THESE ORGANIZATIONS HELP
27 INDIVIDUALS DEFINE THEIR LIFE GOALS AND FIND A UNIQUE PATH TOWARD

1 RECOVERY IN A HOLISTIC MANNER.

2 (b) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS, THEREFORE, THAT IT IS IN THE
3 BEST INTEREST OF THE STATE TO SUPPORT THE PEER SUPPORT
4 PROFESSIONAL WORKFORCE THROUGH THE CREATION OF PEER-RUN
5 RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS. PEER-RUN AND PEER-LED
6 ORGANIZATIONS WILL HELP EXPAND PEER SUPPORT SERVICES
7 THROUGHOUT THE STATE, EXPAND THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WORKFORCE,
8 AND SAVE THE STATE MONEY BY REDUCING THE NEED FOR CRISIS
9 SERVICES.

10 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
11 REQUIRES:

12 (a) "LICENSED MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER" MEANS A:

13 (I) MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL LICENSED OR CERTIFIED
14 PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 245 OF TITLE 12, EXCEPT FOR UNLICENSED
15 PSYCHOTHERAPISTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 245 OF TITLE 12;

16 (II) ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE REGISTERED
17 PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-255-111 WITH TRAINING IN SUBSTANCE USE
18 DISORDERS OR MENTAL HEALTH;

19 (III) PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSED PURSUANT TO SECTION
20 12-240-113 WITH SPECIFIC TRAINING IN SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS OR
21 MENTAL HEALTH;

22 (IV) PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIAN LICENSED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE
23 295 OF TITLE 12; AND

24 (V) MEDICAL DOCTOR OR DOCTOR OF OSTEOPATHY LICENSED
25 PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 240 OF TITLE 12;

26 (b) "PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL" MEANS A PEER SUPPORT
27 SPECIALIST, RECOVERY COACH, PEER AND FAMILY RECOVERY SUPPORT

1 SPECIALIST, PEER MENTOR, FAMILY ADVOCATE, OR FAMILY SYSTEMS
2 NAVIGATOR WHO MEETS THE QUALIFICATIONS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION
3 (3)(a)(III) OF THIS SECTION.

4 (c) "RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATION" MEANS AN
5 INDEPENDENT ENTITY LED AND GOVERNED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF
6 LOCAL COMMUNITIES OF RECOVERY AND APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE
7 DIRECTOR OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(a)
8 OF THIS SECTION.

9 (3) (a) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2022, THE STATE DEPARTMENT
10 SHALL DEVELOP A PROCEDURE FOR RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES
11 ORGANIZATIONS TO BE APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
12 STATE DEPARTMENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.
13 THE PROCEDURES MUST ENSURE THAT THE RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES
14 ORGANIZATION:

15 (I) PROVIDES RECOVERY-FOCUSED SERVICES AND SUPPORTS;

16 (II) EMPLOYS OR CONTRACTS WITH A LICENSED MENTAL HEALTH
17 PROVIDER TO ADMINISTER ON-GOING SUPERVISION OF PEER SUPPORT
18 PROFESSIONALS EMPLOYED BY RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES
19 ORGANIZATIONS. THE LICENSED MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER MUST BE IN
20 GOOD STANDING AND MUST DEMONSTRATE HAVING RECEIVED FORMAL
21 TRAINING SPECIFIC TO THE PROVISION OF PEER SUPPORT SERVICES AND
22 SUPERVISION OF PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS;

23 (III) EMPLOYS OR CONTRACTS WITH PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS
24 WHO MUST:

25 (A) SELF-IDENTIFY AS HAVING EXPERIENCED THE PROCESS OF
26 RECOVERY FROM A MENTAL HEALTH DISORDER, SUBSTANCE USE
27 DISORDER, TRAUMA, OR ONE OR ALL OF SUCH CONDITIONS, EITHER AS A

1 CONSUMER OF RECOVERY SERVICES OR AS THE PARENT OR A FAMILY
2 MEMBER OF THE CONSUMER;

3 (B) HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED FORMAL TRAINING
4 COVERING ALL CONTENT AREAS OUTLINED IN THE CORE COMPETENCIES
5 FOR PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS ESTABLISHED BY EITHER THE STATE
6 DEPARTMENT OR THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
7 ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
8 HUMAN SERVICES; AND

9 (C) PROVIDE NONCLINICAL SUPPORT SERVICES THAT ALIGN WITH
10 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH
11 SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
12 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, INCLUDING ENGAGING INDIVIDUALS IN
13 PEER-TO-PEER RELATIONSHIPS THAT SUPPORT HEALING, PERSONAL
14 GROWTH, LIFE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, SELF-CARE, AND CRISIS-STRATEGY
15 DEVELOPMENT TO HELP ACHIEVE RECOVERY, WELLNESS, AND LIFE GOALS;

16 (IV) HAS AN ESTABLISHED PROCESS BY WHICH THE ORGANIZATION
17 COORDINATES ITS SERVICES WITH THOSE RENDERED BY OTHER AGENCIES
18 TO ENSURE AN UNINTERRUPTED CONTINUUM OF CARE TO PERSONS WITH
19 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DISORDERS; AND

20 (V) MEETS ANY OTHER STANDARDS AS DETERMINED BY RULE OF
21 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

22 (b) A PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL MAY PROVIDE SERVICES FOR
23 A RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATION IN VARIOUS CLINICAL AND
24 NONCLINICAL SETTINGS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

25 (I) JUSTICE-INVOLVED SETTINGS;

26 (II) PHYSICAL HEALTH SETTINGS, SUCH AS PEDIATRICIAN OR
27 OBSTETRIC AND GYNECOLOGICAL HEALTH CARE OFFICES;

- 1 (III) EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS;
- 2 (IV) SERVICES DELIVERED VIA TELEHEALTH;
- 3 (V) AGENCIES SERVING HOMELESS COMMUNITIES;
- 4 (VI) PEER RESPITE HOMES; █
- 5 (VII) SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS; AND
- 6 (VIII) HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SETTINGS.

7 (c) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT, IN
8 COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND
9 FINANCING, MAY PROMULGATE RULES ESTABLISHING MINIMUM
10 STANDARDS THAT RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS MUST
11 MEET.

12 (4) THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY CHARGE A FEE █ █ █ FOR
13 RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS SEEKING APPROVAL
14 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION. IF THE EXECUTIVE
15 DIRECTOR OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT CHARGES A FEE TO RECOVERY
16 SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL
17 PROMULGATE RULES TO ESTABLISH THE FEE AT AN AMOUNT NOT TO
18 SUBSTANTIALLY EXCEED THE AMOUNT CHARGED TO OTHER BEHAVIORAL
19 HEALTH PROVIDERS SEEKING APPROVAL FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

20 █ THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEPOSIT ANY FEES COLLECTED INTO
21 THE PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL WORKFORCE CASH FUND CREATED IN
22 SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION.

23 (5) THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND
24 GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR
25 THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION. THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL
26 TRANSFER EACH GIFT, GRANT, AND DONATION TO THE STATE TREASURER,
27 WHO SHALL CREDIT THE SAME TO THE PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL

1 WORKFORCE CASH FUND CREATED IN SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION.

2 (6) (a) THERE IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY THE PEER
3 SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL WORKFORCE CASH FUND, REFERRED TO IN THIS
4 SECTION AS THE "FUND", WHICH CONSISTS OF:

5 (I) FEES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS
6 SECTION;

7 (II) GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS COLLECTED PURSUANT TO
8 SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION; AND

9 (III) MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND BY THE GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY.

11 (b) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ALL INTEREST AND
12 INCOME DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF MONEY IN THE
13 FUND TO THE FUND.

14 (c) ANY UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONEY REMAINING
15 IN THE FUND AT THE END OF A FISCAL YEAR REMAINS IN THE FUND AND IS
16 NOT TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OR ANY OTHER FUND.

17 (d) SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY, THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY EXPEND STATE MONEY FROM
19 THE FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPLEMENTING THIS SECTION.

20 (7) A PEER-RUN RECOVERY SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL NOT BE
21 COMPELLED TO SEEK APPROVAL FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO
22 BECOME A RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATION. EXPANDED
23 SERVICE FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR RECOVERY SERVICES THROUGH
24 RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS IS INTENDED TO
25 SUPPLEMENT EXISTING STATE INVESTMENT IN THE RECOVERY SYSTEM
26 INFRASTRUCTURE. THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL FUND RECOVERY
27 SERVICES, WITHIN EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS, INCLUDING PEER-RUN

1 ORGANIZATIONS THAT DO NOT SEEK TO BE RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES
2 ORGANIZATIONS.

3 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 25.5-5-327 as
4 follows:

5 **25.5-5-327. Eligible peer support services - reimbursement -**
6 **definitions.** (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT
7 OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

8 (a) "PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS
9 DEFINED IN SECTION 27-60-108 (2)(b).

10 (b) "RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATION" HAS THE SAME
11 MEANING AS DEFINED IN SECTION 27-60-108 (2)(c).

12 (2) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS AND TO THE EXTENT
13 PERMITTED UNDER FEDERAL LAW, THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
14 PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 5 AND ARTICLES 4 AND 6 OF THIS TITLE 25.5
15 INCLUDES PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PROVIDED TO
16 RECIPIENTS THROUGH A RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ORGANIZATION.
17 PEER SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES MUST NOT BE PROVIDED TO
18 RECIPIENTS UNTIL FEDERAL APPROVAL HAS BEEN OBTAINED.

19 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-80-107, **amend**
20 (1), (4), (6), and (7)(c) as follows:

21 **27-80-107. Designation of managed service organizations -**
22 **purchase of services - revocation of designation.** (1) The director of
23 the office of behavioral health shall establish designated service areas to
24 provide substance use disorder treatment AND RECOVERY services in a
25 particular geographical region of the state.

26 (4) (a) The terms and conditions for providing substance use
27 disorder treatment AND RECOVERY services must be specified in the

1 contract entered into between the office of behavioral health and the
2 designated managed service organization. Contracts entered into between
3 the office of behavioral health and the designated managed service
4 organization must include terms and conditions prohibiting a designated
5 managed service organization contracted treatment provider from denying
6 or prohibiting access to medication-assisted treatment, as defined in
7 section 23-21-803, for a substance use disorder.

8 (b) CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE OFFICE OF
9 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND THE DESIGNATED MANAGED SERVICE
10 ORGANIZATION MUST INCLUDE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THAT OUTLINE THE
11 EXPECTATIONS FOR THE DESIGNATED MANAGED SERVICE ORGANIZATION
12 TO INVEST IN THE STATE'S RECOVERY SERVICES INFRASTRUCTURE, WHICH
13 INCLUDE PEER-RUN RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES AND SPECIALIZED
14 SERVICES FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS. INVESTMENTS ARE BASED ON
15 AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS.

16 (6) A managed service organization that is designated to serve a
17 designated service area may subcontract with a network of service
18 providers to provide treatment AND RECOVERY services for alcohol and
19 drug abuse and substance use disorders within the particular designated
20 service area.

21 (7) (c) From time to time, the director of the office of behavioral
22 health may solicit applications from applicants for managed service
23 organization designation to provide substance use disorder treatment AND
24 RECOVERY services for a specified planning area or areas.

25 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-27.6-103, **amend**
26 (2)(a)(II)(D) as follows:

27 **25-27.6-103. Behavioral health entity implementation and**

1 **advisory committee - creation - membership - duties - repeal.**

2 (2) (a) The committee consists of:

3 (II) The following members to be appointed by the executive
4 director of the department of public health and environment:

5 (D) One member that represents a provider of substance use
6 disorder treatment AND RECOVERY services that is not a community health
7 center;

8 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-5-310, **amend**
9 (2)(b) as follows:

10 **25.5-5-310. Treatment program for high-risk pregnant and**
11 **parenting women - cooperation with private entities - definition.**

12 (2) (b) The department of human services is authorized to use state
13 money to provide services to women, including women enrolled in the
14 medical assistance program established pursuant to this article 5 and
15 articles 4 and 6 of this title 25.5, who enroll, up to one year postpartum,
16 in residential substance use disorder treatment AND RECOVERY services,
17 until such time as those services are covered by the medical assistance
18 program. The department of human services may continue to use state
19 money to enroll parenting women in residential services who qualify as
20 indigent but who are not eligible for services under the medical assistance
21 program.

22 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-5-312, **amend**
23 (1) as follows:

24 **25.5-5-312. Treatment program for high-risk pregnant and**
25 **parenting women - extended coverage - federal approval.** (1) The
26 state department shall seek federal approval to continue providing
27 substance use disorder treatment AND RECOVERY services for twelve

1 months following a pregnancy to women who are eligible to receive
2 services under the medical assistance program, who are receiving services
3 pursuant to the treatment program for high-risk pregnant and parenting
4 women, and who continue to participate in the treatment program. The
5 state department shall implement the continued services to the extent
6 allowed by the federal government.

7 **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-5-315, **amend**
8 (1) as follows:

9 **25.5-5-315. Acceptance of gifts, grants, and donations - Native**
10 **American substance abuse treatment cash fund.** (1) The executive
11 director may accept and expend money from gifts, grants, and donations
12 for purposes of providing for the administrative costs of preparing and
13 submitting the request for federal approval to provide substance use
14 disorder treatment AND RECOVERY services to Native Americans as
15 provided for in section 25.5-5-314. All such gifts, grants, and donations
16 ~~shall~~ MUST be transmitted to the state treasurer who shall credit the same
17 to the Native American substance abuse treatment cash fund, which fund
18 is created and referred to in this section as the "fund". The money in the
19 fund is subject to annual appropriation by the general assembly. All
20 investment earnings derived from the deposit and investment of money
21 in the fund remains in the fund and shall not be transferred or revert to the
22 general fund of the state at the end of any fiscal year.

23 **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-1-132, **amend**
24 (1)(b) as follows:

25 **26-1-132. Department of human services - rate setting -**
26 **residential treatment service providers - monitoring and auditing -**
27 **report.** (1) In conjunction with the group of representatives convened by

1 the state department pursuant to section 26-5-104 (6)(e) to review the
2 rate-setting process for child welfare services, the state department shall
3 develop a rate-setting process consistent with medicaid requirements for
4 providers of residential treatment services in Colorado. The department
5 of health care policy and financing shall approve the rate-setting process
6 for rates funded by medicaid. The rate-setting process developed pursuant
7 to this section may include:

8 (b) A request for proposal to contract for specialized service needs
9 of a child, including but not limited to: Substance use disorder treatment
10 AND RECOVERY services, sex offender services, and services for the
11 intellectually and developmentally disabled; and

12 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-80-119, **amend**
13 (2) as follows:

14 **27-80-119. Care navigation program - creation - reporting -**
15 **rules - legislative declaration - definition.** (2) As used in this section,
16 "engaged client" means an individual who is interested in and willing to
17 engage in substance use disorder treatment AND RECOVERY services or
18 other treatment services either for the individual or an affected family
19 member or friend.

20 **SECTION 10.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-80-120, **amend**
21 (4) as follows:

22 **27-80-120. Building substance use disorder treatment capacity**
23 **in underserved communities - grant program - repeal.** (4) Local
24 grants must be used to ensure that local communities increase access to
25 a continuum of substance use disorder treatment AND RECOVERY services,
26 including medical or clinical detoxification, residential treatment,
27 recovery support services, and intensive outpatient treatment.

1 **SECTION 11. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
2 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
3 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
4 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
5 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
6 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
7 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
8 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
9 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.