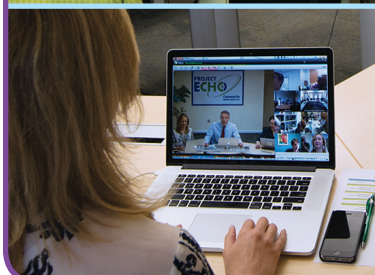




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Help with Your Chronic Pain Clients

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing and the Accountable Care Collaborative (ACC) invites you to participate in the second cohort of the well-received **Chronic Pain Disease Management Program (Program)** modeled after **Project ECHO® (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes.)** The first cohort engaged providers from 42 practice sites from every region across the state. The Chronic Pain Management Program leverages cutting edge telehealth technologies to connect providers to specialists. Providers consult directly with specialists regarding client cases and learn best practices for treating clients with a variety of chronic pain conditions.

Be a Telehealth Pioneer

The Department will sponsor approximately 40 practice sites to serve as telehealth pioneers for Colorado. Participation in the program is easy and the benefits for providers and their clients are significant:

- **Gain expertise** for treating clients with a variety of chronic pain conditions.
—The Program is designed to **assist with your current clients** and there is no expectation for you to take additional pain management clients.
- Keep your clients in your practice and in their communities.
- **No cost** for participation in the Chronic Disease Management Program.
- **Easy attendance** from anywhere through an online video conference system.
- **Earn CME credit** for attending the ECHO® pain management sessions.
- Participation will not change your practice scope or alter your liability with clients you're treating.

Participate in One or Two Programs

1. Chronic Pain Telehealth Program:

Uses HIPAA-compliant teleconferencing technologies to connect you with a multi-disciplinary team of chronic pain specialists, including behavioral health professionals and pharmacists, to review client cases and learn evidence-based interventions for treating clients with complex conditions. After joining this program, all practice site staff members will receive free access to PainNET, a flexible online learning community where staff can access the tools and resources to learn about pain, collaborate with experts, and transform care with evidence-based practices.

2. Buprenorphine Telehealth Program:

Providers licensed to prescribe Buprenorphine/Suboxone use teleconferencing capabilities to connect with specialists to gain greater insights and experience in treating clients with opioid addiction.



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"Project ECHO® has helped me to have more honest, direct conversations with patients about the impact and risks of long-term narcotics. The case presentations have given me additional insight into alternative treatments for peripheral neuropathy and given my patients hope that we still have more options for treatment regimens."

—Julie Brady, MD, Colorado Springs Health Partners

Participating Providers Report Increased Confidence and Expertise in Treating Clients

Session evaluation data from the Weitzman Institute's Project ECHO® participants showed that clinicians clearly benefitted from participating in a number of areas:

Question Asked of ECHO® Participating Clinicians	Average Rating Score (1 to 5)
This program met my personal learning needs.	4.8
Information can be applied in my practice setting.	4.8
The environment was conducive to learning.	4.8
Teaching methods were effective.	4.8
I would recommend this program to my colleagues.	4.9

NOTE: The rating score above is the average ECHO® participant's rating on a scale ranging from 1 = Not At All to 5 = To A Large Degree.



See How ECHO® Works:

- For a quick presentation on how the program will run please visit the **How ECHO® Models Work** video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VAMaHP-tEwk>
- CHC's **ECHO® Pain** video: <https://vimeo.com/67394854>
- View a case presentation here: <https://vimeo.com/user18953470/review/125929261/0c670948e2>

Learn More and Sign-Up:

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