

COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT



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501(C)(3)	A nonprofit organization that has been approved by the Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt, charitable organization. A 501(c)(3) organization may engage in some lobbying, but too much lobbying activity risks loss of tax-exempt status. Legislation includes action by Congress, any state legislature, any local council, or similar governing body, with respect to acts, bills, resolutions, or similar items (such as legislative confirmation of appointive office), or by the public in referendum, ballot initiative, constitutional amendment, or similar procedure.
ADVISORY GROUP	An advisory group is a collection of individuals who bring unique knowledge and skills which complement the knowledge and skills of the formal board members in order to more effectively govern the organization.
ADVOCACY	Public support for or recommendation of a particular cause or policy
ADVOCATE	One who defends or maintains a cause or proposal
ASQ	Ages and Stages Questionnaire
CDPHE	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
CE	Community Engagement
CEI	Community Engagement Initiative
COR	Community Outreach Resources: CE compiles a list of resources available exclusively to families enrolled in the Community Outreach and Family Support programs, this email is sent out weekly is often referred to as "the COR"
COMMUNITY PARTNER	Any company, organization, or group partnering with DP to provide resources, or services for individuals/families actively receiving DP supports.
CONEXIONES PARA LA COMUNIDAD	CE compiles a list of both community and DP specific resources for Spanish speaking families enrolled through Developmental Pathways. All resources are translated to and listed in Spanish.
CCB	Community Centered Board: A non-profit contracting with the State to coordinate and purchase services for persons with I/DD.
I/DD	Intellectual/Developmental Disability: A funding or legislative term for children over age 5 & adults. Includes intellectual disability (ID) as well as other neurological and physical diagnoses.
MILL LEVY FUNDS	A property tax that property owners within a community pay. In DP's catchment areas, the Mill Levy taxes support IDD related needs in the community. DP receives Mill Levy dollars and those funds are used to support a wide variety of our programs and services.
NEWS-LETTER	DP has an email that goes out to people and shares resources to support and/or enhance the IDD community

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PASA Program Approved Service Agency: An agency contracted to provided Medicaid Waiver services (residential, day program, behavioral) to individuals as outlined in their Service Plan. Continuum of Colorado is a PASA.

POLICY A course or principle of action adopted or proposed by a government, party, business, or individual.

POLICY ITEMS Local and statewide IDD community matters related to legislation, governmental and community concerns, IDD policy and advocacy, community communications, fundraising, etc.

SME Subject Matter Expert: A person who is an authority in a particular area or topic.

SA Service Agency– See definition for PASA.

SERVICE PROVIDER An organization or person that provides services and supports directly to individuals and/or families. Some providers offer direct disability related services, while others support family's while others support overarching needs. Many PASAs can be service providers, but there are also providers that are not PASAs.

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VOUCHER This term refers to any discount, coupon, or other unique offering that has been established with a Community Partner. Vouchers are often funded by Mill Levy dollars supporting specific program(s) and may be designed for individuals in specific program(s) within DP.