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Region VIII

July 3, 2013

Denver C. Fox, Ed.D.
Parents of Adults with Disabilities in Colorado (PAD-CO)
17454 E Dewberry Drive, Parker, CO 80134

Dear Mr. Fox:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is in receipt of the Parents of Adults with Disabilities in Colorado (PAD-CO) and the Colorado Cross Disability Coalition's (CCDC) letter dated July 1, 2013 regarding critical concerns with conflict of interest issues in the Colorado Developmental Disabilities Delivery System (DDD) around the Community Centered Boards (CCB). The letter references specific conflict of interest concerns with the CCB Developmental Pathways for case management and its legal subsidiary, Continuum of Colorado, Inc., as a service agency.

In your letter, PAD-CO and CCDC formally request an investigation regarding conflict of interest issues around participants exercising their right to free choice of service providers. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) acknowledges your concerns and will be working with the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing to look into them. CMS will share any results once the investigation is complete.

I hope the information in this letter is helpful to you. If you need further explanation on the contents of this letter you may contact my staff member, Mandy Strom at (303) 844-7068 or by e-mail at Mandy.Strom@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Allen
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cc: Jeff Hinson, CMS Denver Regional Administrator
Julie Reiskin, Executive Director, Colorado Cross Disabilities Coalition