

# **HEALTH CARE FOR ALL COLORADO FOUNDATION**

## **ANNUAL REPORT FY 2019 (JULY 2018 – JUNE 2019)**

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Americans know the current health care delivery system does not serve us well as witnessed by high costs, administrative complexity, and quality of care concerns when compared to other industrialized countries, and we now demand a solution.

### **THAT’S WHERE WE COME IN!**

Health Care for All Colorado Foundation (HCACF) is a nonprofit nonmember organization (501c3) founded in 2003 that provides health system education, research, and analysis. We work to ensure that health care delivery systems work for people. We do not participate in partisan politics; however, we do engage in political activity through education of the general population and political leaders.

Health Care for All Colorado (HCAC), a “sister” organization, is a nonprofit membership organization (501c4) founded in 2001 as a social welfare organization with a focus on high quality health care at a reasonable cost. Its functions include advocating for people through education, organizing grass roots movements, and lobbying political decision makers.

The mission of HCACF remains unchanged over the years, but with time the tactics change. We believe that incremental reform is not effective to reach our goals. Effective reform to reach high quality health care at a reasonable price includes a social health insurance associated with private delivery of services, such as an Extended Medicare to include all persons in America.

### **HCACF BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Board members volunteer expertise and time for the HCACF mission. Organizational decisions together with research and educational work is produced by these same board members together with selected volunteers.

Elinor Christiansen, MD  
Shelley Cohen, MD  
Thomas Gottlieb, MD  
Vince Markovchick, MD  
Robert Messman, MBA  
Donna Smith, BA, history  
Michele Swenson,  
Eldon Van Der Wege, MBA

### **ACTIVITIES in 2018 - 2019**

***Organization*** – The HCACF Board of Directors meets monthly. The Research and Education Committee meets every two weeks and provides recommendations to the Board in addition to supporting the website development, research and education efforts. Administrative support provided at twenty hours per week.

**Education** – HCACF educates regarding strengths and weaknesses of the American delivery system with Vince Markovchick (Waste, Fraud, and Abuse) leading this initiative with support from all HCACF board members. VM provides multiple presentations throughout the year including OLLI (University of Denver), provider organizations, and social service organizations. Tom Gottlieb presents at OLLI and social service organizations. Donna Smith and Michele Swenson write multiple articles that support the need for a single insurer including Common Dreams, news paper articles, and more. All board members contribute to the HCACF website.

**Research and analysis** - Much healthcare research is available by many organizations regarding output of a health care system (defining coverage, benefits, care delivery and infrastructure, and governance). HCACF established the Center for the Study of a Public National Health Insurance (PNHI). We believe that health finance drives equitable health care. Our lead is provided by EVDW, TG, and RM with research focused on Input by proposing a financial plan for a social insurance plan associated with a private delivery system. Few articles are available in current literature which describe a financial analysis and a financial plan. See HCACF website titled PNHI.

**Coalition Building** – HCACF supports building of relationships with organizations involved with social justice issues including healthcare reform, associated social supports, issues that promote both individual/community health, and financial reform of the health insurance system. We have established coalition/partnership relationships with national organizations, i.e. organizations that emphasize *social reforms on a national level* and promote grassroots activity at both a national level and a local level. These organizations include:

- PDA National
- PDA Colorado
- Public Citizen
- PNHP
- Healthcare NOW
- Labor Campaign for Single Payer Health Care
- National Nurses United

We continue to converse with added organizations that also promote incremental reform and state-based and regional-based reform. These relationships are important to us and we hope that dialogue will improve the missions of both parties. We have not arranged coalition/partnership relationships with these organizations and they include;

- HCAC Advocacy (501c4)
- Colorado Foundation for Universal Health Care (CFUHC)
- League of Women Voters
- Colorado Medical Society
- Colorado Nurses Association
- National Hospital Association
- And more . . .

***National and Local Education of both Thought Leaders and Political Leaders*** – Donna Smith leads this initiative and provides education and political strategies for politicians involved with health care reform. She continues to work closely with PDA, Our Revolution, political campaigns including Democratic presidential nominees.

***Grass Roots Movement*** – HCACF recognizes the importance of grassroots action. We do not have the expertise or manpower in this area. We value coalition building as important, and we look for quality organizations to provide this work to support our mission.

***Fund Raising*** – A necessary function to continue our work. We rely on our supporters for their advice and expertise, ethics support, and financial support. HCACF produced a single formal fund raising effort at the end of year 2018. Continued contact with supporters utilizing personal contact, newsletter, and an active website is produced to inform and thank our supporters. More details to follow.

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR HCACF**

Revenue and Support	<u>Actual</u>	
Individual Donations	\$ 8,998.00	
Fundraising Events	\$ 1,026.00	
Income from Investments	\$ 1,248.00	
Other	\$ 29.00	
Total Revenue and Support		\$11,301.00
Expenses	<u>Actual</u>	
Website Expense	\$ 500.00	
Rent	\$ 1,500.00	
General and Administrative	\$ 507.00	
Staff Payroll	\$13,538.00	
Printing	\$ 823.00	
Accounting and Other Services	\$ 1,388.00	
Travel	\$ 288.00	
Total Expenses		\$19,008.00
Net Income		\$ (7,707.00)

**Recorded by:**  
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