Behavioral Health Community Forum luncheon scheduled Friday, Nov. 22

(Westminster—Friday, Nov. 1, 2019) Community Reach Center will lead a Behavioral Health Community Forum 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22, at Ciancio’s at Hyland Hills Restaurant, 9650 Sheridan Blvd. in Westminster. Community leaders and the public have been invited to attend and participate.

Community Reach Center CEO Rick Doucet will make opening remarks. He will define the scope of access in behavioral healthcare, highlight successful Community Reach programs specifically designed to improve access, and summarize current work at the agency to close the gap between an initial intake appointment and the first clinical appointment.

Table teams will spend about 30 minutes discussing several behavioral health topics. The table teams will share summaries of their discussions during the last 30 minutes of the forum.

“We are really excited to host this inaugural Behavioral Health Community Forum, to highlight successful mental health services and resources in our region and discuss concepts for growth,” CEO Rick Doucet said.

Community Reach Center encourages attendees to come prepared to share their perceptions on what’s working well in terms of meeting behavioral health needs in their community, and ideas for systems improvement. Attendance is free, but registration is required. To RSVP, please visit the Community Reach Center website at www.communityreachcenter.org, click on the About Us tab and go to the Events tab to register. Lunch will be provided.

Please note this event replaces the annual Community Reach Center Legislative Breakfast event. For all of you who have attended that event in the past, please join us at this first annual Behavioral Health Community Forum luncheon event. We are excited to hear your views!
Community Reach Center is a top-tier non-profit behavioral health and wellness provider established in 1957 that serves people of all ages at seven outpatient offices and more than 100 community-based sites throughout Adams County, Colorado. The Center employs more than 500 highly skilled professionals committed to health and wellness, currently serving more than 22,000 individuals annually.

As a leading integrated care provider in Colorado, Community Reach Center offers mental health care and primary medical care at multiple sites throughout the north Denver metro area. It is one of the first community mental health providers in the U.S. to incorporate pediatric primary care into its care continuum, at Mountainland Pediatrics in Thornton, Colorado. Community Reach operates the first and currently largest school-based therapy program in the state. It is the first mental health provider in Colorado to receive accreditation for several programs from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities – an independent, nonprofit accreditor of health and human services. Community Reach is also a provider member of Colorado Crisis Services.

The Center’s comprehensive continuum of care includes all supportive services necessary to help children and adults achieve and sustain wellness, including: case management, peer specialists, care navigators, school-based programs, residential treatment, vocational services, medical services, substance use disorders treatment, 24/7/365 emergency services, in-home services and a broad, diverse array of outpatient individual and group treatment modalities. In support of the center's mission to “enhance the health of our community”, Community Reach Center provides no-cost Mental Health First Aid courses throughout the north metro Denver area.

Learn more at [www.CommunityReachCenter.org](http://www.CommunityReachCenter.org).