

A NEW PRACTICE-BASED RESEARCH NETWORK (PBRN) *for Colorado's Western Slope*

WHAT IS A PBRN?

- PBRNs are networks of providers, organizations and patients that conduct research to answer community-identified health care questions and then translate research findings into everyday practice.
- PBRNs exist throughout the United States and in 25 other countries.

WHY ESTABLISH PEACHnet—A PBRN FOR COLORADO'S WESTERN SLOPE?

- On the Front Range and in eastern Colorado, PBRNs are very active. However, historically there has been little participation in PBRNs in western Colorado.
- The western slope has different needs and a different environment compared to the front range, so it makes sense to form our own organization.

WHAT WILL PEACHnet DO?

- Our aim is to conduct research that addresses community priorities in western Colorado using patient and community engagement, sometimes called Patient Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR) or Community-based Participatory Research (CBPR).
- We will be a mechanism for collaboration, sharing of best practices, and channeling funding and resources toward addressing community-identified health challenges.

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