



Children/Youth-Focused Member Advisory Council (MAC) Minutes

Dates: October 29, 2025 & October 20, 2025

Location: Virtual

Meeting purpose:

- Create a connection.
- Orientation to Colorado Access and the Member Advisory Councils.
- Introduction to Progression of Leadership.

Notes

Members and staff met twice virtually on October 20, 2025, and October 29, 2025 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 pm. Attendees had introductions and talked about the 'Title of their book'. Conversations about hope and desired impact in the MACs were covered. Kelly Shanahan provided an orientation to Colorado Access and the Member Advisory Councils. Eileen Forlenza covered the Progression of Leadership and helped members identify their desired impact. Participants engaged in all levels of the participation spectrum.

PARTICIPATION SPECTRUM:

INFORM: COA provides the Council with balanced and objective information (*FYI only*).

CONSULT: COA obtains Council feedback on analysis, alternatives, and/or decisions to ensure concerns are understood and considered (*Council is advisory, COA makes final decision*).

COLLABORATE: COA partners with the Council in each aspect of the decision including alternatives and solutions (*COA and the Council design and decide together*).
