The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) established partnerships with the Colorado Pharmacists Society (CPS), Colorado University Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, and RxPlus network (a member-owned pharmacy organization aimed at advancing and supporting community pharmacists), to identify and implement steps to increase access to evidence-based pharmacist-led interventions.

The partnership worked to develop capacity within pharmacies to deliver advanced pharmacy services, including:

- medication therapy management (MTM),
- point-of-care blood pressure testing, and
- self-measured blood pressure (SMBP) monitoring.

Technical assistance was provided to 14 pharmacies and more than 14 pharmacists to deliver MTM; and three pharmacies were trained in SMBP monitoring. The partnership also developed a Continuing Pharmacy Education (CPE) program required for pharmacists delivering MTM. Six pharmacists within the cohort completed the training.

Colorado also facilitated expansion of Collaborative Drug Therapy Management (CDTM) agreements by providing technical assistance to pharmacists around credentialing and exploring infrastructure for bidirectional communication with primary care practice electronic health records (EHRs).

The partners continue collaboration with a focus on ensuring sustainability, developing infrastructure for bidirectional communication among eCare platforms and EHRs, and expanding provider relationships and referrals to pharmacist-led interventions. The Colorado Pharmacists Society is working on a statewide protocol for statin therapy and the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy is developing a business case for pharmacy services to present to payers.