

New Member Interview/Information

- **Applying Agency: Colorado Association of Nurses for the Developmentally Disabled (CANDD)**
- Type of Member: Colorado Advocacy Network
- Agency Website(s): www.usi.com
- Agency staff at interview:
 - [Shauna Poquette, RN, BSN](#); Clinical Nurse Manager at Foothills Gateway, Inc.; CANDD President
 - [Melissa Brassington, RN, B.S.N.](#); Director of Nursing at North Metro Community Services; CANDD Treasurer
- Alliance staff (or members) at interview: Josh Rael
- Interview Date: April 2023
- Background on the Agency:
 - The Colorado Association of Nurses for the Developmentally Disabled (CANDD) is an organization of community nurses involved with the care of individuals with developmental disabilities in the state of Colorado for the past 20 years.
 - Nearly all of CANDD members are members of Alliance through their employers.
- Follow up questions/comments/concerns from the interview:
 - CANDD does not charge for membership in CANDD, so any Alliance member nurse may register for CANDD membership through their website. Alliance member nurses will receive communications directly from CANDD this way.
 - Alliance will also host (but not facilitate) a quarterly CANDD Peer Network Forum, with the August meeting being in-person at the Alliance Summit in Breckenridge. Alliance will try and make the August Peer Network a hybrid meeting.
 - Alliance will continue to sponsor the CANDD Conference and help advertise the conference to Alliance membership.
- Recommendation from Staff: Approve