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- January 10, 2013, 12-2 pm - Annual Member Meeting
- May 2 & 3, 2013 - CASBHC's Annual Conference

From left to right: Senator Irene Aguilar,  
Clinic Manager Lisa Kelley, and School-  
Based Health Program Manager for  
Denver Health Wanda Marshall.

## The Two Million Dollar Campaign: CASBHC Leads Efforts to Increase the State School-Based Health Center Line Item

CASBHC is driving efforts to increase the state's school-based health center line item from one million to two million dollars in 2013. The line item, managed by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, provides essential funding to school-based health centers throughout the state. To initiate this campaign, CASBHC organized tours of school-based health centers throughout the summer and fall. On October 4, Representative Cheri Gerou visited the Stein Kids Clinic in Jefferson County Public Schools. During the 2012 legislative session, Gerou served as Chair of the Joint Budget Committee, and cast a vote blocking a proposed cut to the school-based health center line item.



Representative Cheri Gerou (right) with Lynn Bakken (left).



On September 10, Senator Irene Aguilar toured the school-based health center at Abraham Lincoln High School in Denver. Aguilar spent 21 years working as a primary care physician at Denver Health's Westside Family Care Center.

State legislators J. Paul Brown, Dave Young, and Beth McCann also toured clinics in the fall. CASBHC will continue to organize visits to school-based health centers to advocate for the state funding increase. Additional dollars will support the twelve school-based health centers that have become operational since the last funding cycle, and increase the amount of awards to those currently receiving support.

## Rural Health Consortium Meets in Salida

On October 12, CASBHC welcomed providers and administrators working in rural school-based health centers to an all-day meeting in Salida, Colorado. Participants enjoyed the opportunity to network and to learn more about topics such as providing oral health care in a school-based health center and minor consent and release forms.

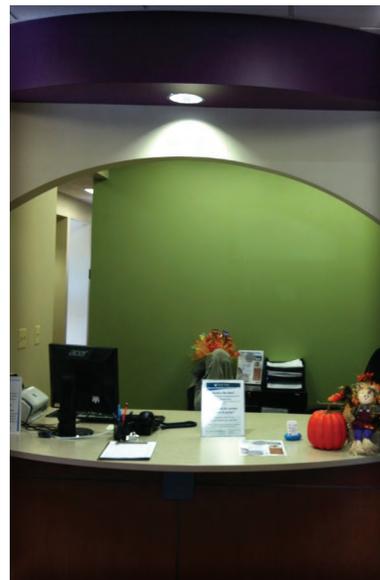
The Rural Health Consortium brought together voices from Cripple Creek, Durango, Rifle, Parachute, Cortez, Montrose, and Basalt. The group discussed possible topics for future meetings, which included the medical home model, funding behavioral health for the uninsured, and strengthening working relationships with educators.



Marisa Duran, Shannon Wells, Ann Galloway, Phyllis Hill, Haidith Ramirez, Amy Hobbs, Sherrod Beall, and Lauren Murray were among the attendees at the Rural Health Consortium meeting on October 12.

## New Facility Opens in Cripple Creek-Victor School District

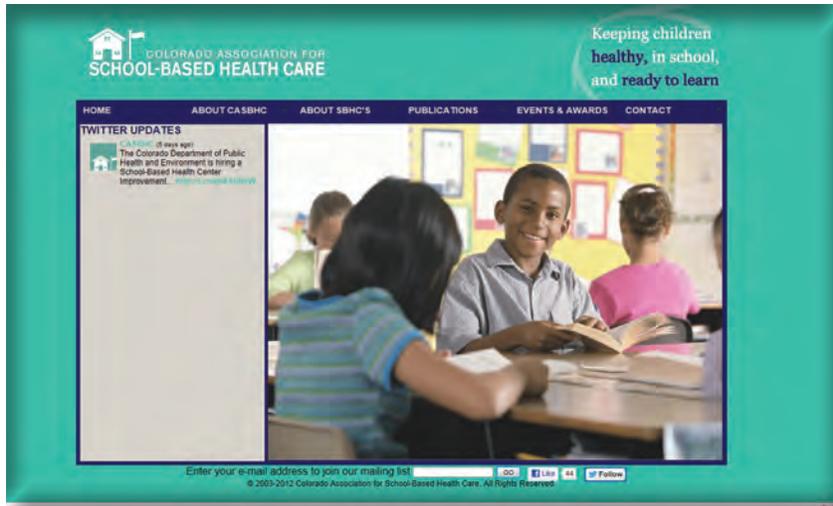
On October 4, Cresson Elementary School in Cripple Creek opened a new school-based health center facility. Prior to the development of the new space, providers treated children in a small room within the school's front office area. The new facility has three exam rooms, a behavioral health room, and several offices. Supporters gathered together to celebrate the clinic's opening at a ribbon cutting ceremony. At the event, Clinic Coordinator Lauren Murray thanked the Cripple Creek-Victor community and said the opening of the new center stood as the highlight of her career.



Above: The front desk area at the new Cripple Creek-Victor Mountain Health Center.

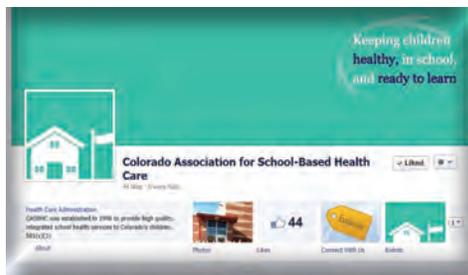
Left: Clinic Coordinator Lauren Murray cutting the ribbon at Cresson Elementary.

## CASBHC Launches New Website and Social Media Campaign



CASBHC recently launched a redesigned website and social media campaign. Members are encouraged to “like” CASBHC on Facebook and to “follow” CASBHC on Twitter. Weekly updates through social media will keep friends of CASBHC up-to-date on Colorado school-based health centers, events, news, advocacy efforts, and publications.

The renovated website will continue to serve as a portal for information on CASBHC’s resources and developments.



Above: CASBHC’s new website. Left: CASBHC’s Facebook page.

## Englewood Renovates Schools and Makes Plans for a New School-Based Health Center

Englewood voters approved a \$50 million bond to build a new 7-12 grade facility at the current Englewood High School location and to renovate Englewood Middle School into an alternative high school. In addition to the issue, the school district acquired an \$8 million BEST (Building Excellent Schools Today) grant from the Colorado Department of Education. As part of the renovation, school officials hope to incorporate a state-of-the-art school-based health center within the front area of the 7-12 grade facility. School officials applied for a capital improvement grant made available through the Affordable Care Act and will be notified of a decision in December. If they secure the grant, the new school-based health center will have an internal and external entrance; on-site Medicaid and CHP+ enrollment services; and behavioral and physical health care. It will contain three exam rooms, two therapy rooms, a community room, a work station, and televisions showcasing continuous wellness information. If the district does not get the grant, it will continue to operate a smaller school-based health center within the new space.



Sketches of the new 7-12 grade school in Englewood.

## Two New School-Based Health Centers to Open in 2012



Pueblo County High School will soon host the fifth SBHC within Pueblo County.

Pueblo Community Health Center (PCHC), in partnership with Parkview Medical Center and Pueblo School District #70, is opening the first school-based health center in School District #70. In addition to partnership support, PCHC received funding from the Colorado Health Foundation and El Pomar Foundation to renovate and operate this new site, according to Janet Fieldman, Chief Foundation Officer of the Pueblo Community Health Center Foundation. The site is located in eastern Pueblo County, which is a rural area. All youth ages 5-19 residing within the school district and the surrounding area will be able to access preventive, acute and minor emergency primary health care services at the clinic. Once PCHC receives approval from the Federal Bureau of Primary Health Care to add this site to its list of service locations, the school-based wellness center will open. A community-wide grand opening celebration will be held after the clinic is fully operational.

The Kids Plus Clinic at Avon Elementary School in Eagle County is officially scheduled to open its doors on December 14. The clinic, sponsored by Doctors Plus, Inc., Colorado West Mental Health, and Eagle County Smiles, will be available to students enrolled in any school in the Eagle RE-50 district and their siblings aged 3 to 18 years. Services including immunizations, preventive dental care, substance abuse assessment and treatment, nutrition counseling, and reproductive health will be provided without regard to insurance or ability to pay.

## 2013 PeyBack Foundation Grant Opportunity

Peyton Manning, quarterback for the Denver Broncos, operates a foundation called the PeyBack Foundation. The foundation focuses primarily on low-income youth and offers grants to programs cultivating activities for youth in the places where Manning has played football. The foundation is particularly interested in activities for healthy living. The 2013 grant application is now available and open to applicants in the Denver metro area. For more information, visit:

<http://www.peytonmanning.com/peyback-foundation/grants>



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