

## Rise Above Colorado Colorado Constellation Project



Through funding from the Colorado Office of Behavioral Health and in partnership with the Consortium and CO9to25 ([www.co9to25.org](http://www.co9to25.org)), Rise Above Colorado offers technical assistance and resource support around the intersections of youth engagement and substance misuse prevention (with a focus on prescription drug misuse) for community agencies and coalitions in targeted communities, or constellations, across Colorado. The current constellations involved in this work are:

- Adams,
- Arapahoe,
- Grand,
- Mesa,
- Moffatt,
- Prowers,
- Pueblo, and
- Routt counties.

Through the Colorado Constellation Project, Rise Above supports communities in engaging young people in the conversation, empowering them to be leaders in the prevention efforts and also connecting them to broader behavioral health promotion campaigns, like #IRiseAbove. Additionally, through these community partnerships, Rise Above promotes the TakeMedsSeriously and TakeMedsBack campaigns to support safe use, storage, and disposal of prescription medications.

By commissioning a bi-annual Rise Above Colorado Youth Survey on behavioral health and substance use, Rise Above also collects statewide and regional level data to support substance misuse prevention efforts. Interested community partners may also utilize the assessment to obtain local data to support community-level efforts.