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**Public Health and Criminal Justice Forum**

*Adams County Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee will host public forum  
on behavioral health in the criminal justice system*

The Adams County Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC) will host a public forum on mental health and substance abuse within the justice system on Thursday, Nov. 12, 6–8 p.m., at the Adams County Conference Center, 4430 South Adams County Parkway, in Brighton.

The public meeting will provide justice professionals, behavioral health officials, and the public with a forum to discuss the impact of mental illness and behavioral issues within the criminal justice system. The meeting will also focus on the needs of family members and their efforts to support their loved ones who have mental health issues.

The forum will feature panelists from the 17<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, including District Attorney Dave Young. Also participating will be Adams County Sheriff Michael McIntosh and members from NowPow—an advocacy group connecting citizens with community resources.

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