**Building State Coalitions**

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| **State** | **Number of Authorizers Statewide** | **Information** |
| California | 324 | Two authorizer organizations: 1. Charter Authorizers’ Resource Network (CARSNet)

Website: <http://carsnet.org/>Dues: Unknown*The Charter Authorizers Regional Support Network or CARSNet is a project of the Alameda County Office of Education funded by a U.S. Department of Education’s Charter Schools Program National Leadership Activities Grant awarded in March 2015.  It is designed to improve the capacity of charter authorizing agencies and their staff to conduct rigorous application reviews, monitor and oversee charter schools using multiple sources of data, maintain a portfolio of high-quality charter schools, and evaluate and disseminate information on charter school performance.  The program includes: An annual conference specifically for charter school authorizing agency staff and board members; regional leaders bringing charter authorizers together to share knowledge and resources; comprehensive training program for beginners and more experienced authorizers; and a website with resources, tools and an on-line community.*1. California Charter Authorizing Professionals (CCAP)

Website: <http://www.calauthorizers.org/> Dues: Yes $250-$1,500 per authorizer*California Charter Authorizing Professionals (CCAP) are working together to ensure quality charter schools in California's public education sector by providing a network of support and resources to build professional capacity of the individuals serving this vital role. We invite you to be a part of this important work by joining CCAP and supporting our mission. Together we can and will make a positive impact on the future of education in our state. Members of the California Charter Authorizing Professionals (CCAP) advance quality public education for all students by providing charter school authorizing professionals with the support, resources, and collective voice necessary to foster high-performing, fiscally sound, autonomous, and accountable charter schools.* |
| Colorado | 49 | Unknown |
| Florida | 48 | Florida Association of Charter School AuthorizersWebsite: <http://www.floridacharterauthorizers.org/>Dues: Yes - $15-$175  A membership organization for charter school authorizers dedicated to promoting the principles and standards of high quality charter school authorizing. *Members will become part of a network of authorizers who work collaboratively to discuss trends, issues and best practices in charter school education. Members will articulate with professionals who function as authorizers to track current trends in charter school authorizing. Members will be eligible to attend a minimum of six meetings a year, where you will have a voice to discuss timely issues that affect charter schools, such as applications, renewals, legislative topics, and more.* |
| Georgia | 46 | Unknown |
| Michigan | 40 | Michigan Council of Charter School AuthorizersWebsite: <http://michiganauthorizers.com/> Dues: Unknown*The Michigan Council of Charter School Authorizers (Michigan Authorizers) is a collaborative non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to providing quality oversight of the 265 charter schools operating in Michigan that serve more than 131,000 students. The Michigan Authorizers have been working together to provide high-quality educational opportunities for students and oversee the enhancement and sustainability of Michigan’s charter school network since 1994 – serving their students, families, and communities.* |
| Minnesota | 13 | Minnesota Association of Charter School AuthorizersWebsite: NoneDues: None*The mission of the Minnesota Association of Charter School Authorizers is to increase the quality of charter school authorizing in the state of Minnesota by developing and identifying practices and policies that ensure effective oversight and evaluation of Minnesota charter schools. We believe quality charter schools are an integral component of a strong education system that results in exceptional academic outcomes for all students in the state of Minnesota.* |
| Ohio | 69 | Ohio Association of Charter School AuthorizersWebsite: <http://www.oacsa.org/> Dues: $1,000-$5,000*The Ohio Association of Charter School Authorizers has been formed to represent all Ohio authorizers. We promote sponsor excellence, effectiveness and efficiency to create and maintain high-quality community schools through quality oversight and support. We seek to be the resource/focal point for pooling resources so that all sponsors can achieve their goals of authorizing and supporting schools that produce student success.* |
| Oklahoma | 7 | Unknown |
| Oregon | 76 | Unknown |
| Tennessee | 5 | Tennessee Association of Charter School AuthorizersWebsite: <http://www.tncharterquality.org/2016/05> Dues: Yes – (Proposed) $25-$200 *A Professional Association for Charter School Authorizers in Tennessee. The main purpose of the Organization is to advance excellence and accountability in the authorization and oversight of charter schools in Tennessee.  Equally important is to create a professional pipeline for authorizing, develop authorizer talents and abilities, offer statewide standards, and develop expertise that results in making Tennessee a national model of excellence in charter authorizing. In Tennessee, every LEA is a potential charter school authorizer in addition to the State’s Achievement School District (ASD). The Tennessee State Board of Education is also an appellate authorizer of schools in the state.* |