

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION-PUBLIC NOTICE

1. **Name of the Agency:** Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)

2. **The topic of the public information notice:**

AHCCCS Fee-For-Service (FFS) rates for Home and Community-Based Services to be effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2021.

3. **The public information relating to the topic:**

- a. This Notice describes changes to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) Fee-For-Service (FFS) rates to be effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2021 to address the increased labor costs resulting from the Arizona minimum wage increase and employee benefit provisions mandated by Proposition 206, and the Flagstaff minimum wage increase mandated by Proposition 414 and later amended through action of the Flagstaff City Council. The total change in FFS payments as a result of the changes is an estimated increase of \$202,351 for the time period of January 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021.
- b. In addition to the above, an increase of .64% has been added to the rates in order to ensure that provider rates are sufficient to maintain access to care. The total change in FFS payments as a result of this change is an estimated increase of \$361,349 for the time period of January 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021.
- c. The cumulative statewide rate increase is 1.00% and the cumulative Flagstaff rate increase is 5.07%.
- d. AHCCCS' Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) will be required to implement these rate increases effective with dates of service beginning January 1, 2021, for all services covered by this Notice and described below.
- e. Select Home and Community-Based Fee Schedule rates will be updated as illustrated below:

<b>Rates Effective 1/1/2021</b>					
HCPCS	Mod	Prov Type	Procedure Description	FFS Rate	Flagstaff Rate
S5100			Day Care Services, Adult; per 15 min.	\$3.23	\$3.45
S5101			Day Care Services, Adult; per half day	\$39.14	\$41.71
S5102			Day Care Services, Adult; per diem	\$78.26	\$83.40
S5125			Attendant Care Services; 15 min.	\$5.24	\$5.59
S5130			Homemaker Services, NOS; 15 min.	\$6.60	\$7.04

<b>Rates Effective 1/1/2021</b>					
<b>HCPCS</b>	<b>Mod</b>	<b>Prov Type</b>	<b>Procedure Description</b>	<b>FFS Rate</b>	<b>Flagstaff Rate</b>
S5136			Companion Care, adult, per diem	BR	BR
S5140			Foster Care, adult; per diem	\$75.74	\$80.70
S5150			Unskilled Respite Care, not hospice; per 15 min.	\$5.24	\$5.59
S5151			Unskilled Respite Care, not hospice; per diem	\$265.32	\$282.74
S5170			Home Delivered Meals	\$10.83	\$11.53
T1019			Personal Care Services, per 15 min. (not for inpatient or resident of a hospital, NF, ICF/MR, or IMD; not to be used for services provided by home health aide or	\$6.96	\$7.44
T1021			Home Health Aide or Certified Nurse Assistant, per visit	\$47.26	\$50.37
T2016			Habilitation, Residential, Waiver; Per Diem	BR	BR
T2017			Habilitation, Residential, Waiver; 15 minutes	BR	BR
T2018			Habilitation, supported employment, waiver; per diem	\$27.27	\$29.04
T2019			Habilitation, supported employment, waiver; per 15 minutes	\$4.52	\$4.85
T2021			Day Habilitation, Waiver; Per 15 Minutes	BR	BR
T2031			Assisted Living; Waiver, Per Diem	BR	BR
T2033			Residential Care, Not Otherwise Specified (NOS), Waiver; Per Diem	BR	BR

<b>SELF-DIRECTED ATTENDANT CARE</b>					
<b>HCPCS</b>	<b>Mod</b>	<b>Prov Type</b>	<b>Procedure Description</b>	<b>FFS Rate</b>	<b>Flagstaff Rate</b>
S5125	U2		Attendant Care provided through SDAC service	\$3.79	\$4.03

- f. The Flagstaff increase indicated above will apply to claims associated with one of the following zip codes: 86001, 86004, and 86005.
- g. The changes proposed for the rates in this Notice are proposed to assure that payments are consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care and are sufficient to enlist enough providers so that care and services are available at least to the extent that such care and services are available to the general population in the geographic area.

- h. Written comments may be sent to the following address and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 27, 2020 to [FFSRates@AZAHCCCS.gov](mailto:FFSRates@AZAHCCCS.gov).
- i. More information regarding these changes to reimbursement can be obtained from the AHCCCS website at:  
[https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/RatesAndBilling/FFS/AHCCCSprovider\\_rate\\_analysis.html](https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/RatesAndBilling/FFS/AHCCCSprovider_rate_analysis.html). Many public libraries offer access to the internet. In addition, the information can be obtained at the Offices of the AHCCCS Administration, 801 E. Jefferson, Phoenix, AZ 85034.