

September 30, 2020

Governor Douglas A. Ducey  
Office of the Governor  
1700 West Washington  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Governor Ducey:

A.R.S. 36-2903.03 requires all applicants to provide documentation to verify immigration status in order to qualify for Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) services and requires AHCCCS to report on its collection and verification of documentation submitted in accordance with this law. Accordingly, please find the following summary of the number of individuals for whom the administration verified immigration status using the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) program administered by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

Health-e-Arizona Plus (HEAplus) is the web-based eligibility system for AHCCCS Medical Assistance. 55% of initial Medical Assistance applications are completed by HEAplus without any worker intervention. The remaining Medical Assistance applications require intervention by a state worker, of which AHCCCS completes approximately 7% of total initial applications, and the Department of Economic Security (DES) completes approximately 38% of total initial applications. The number of individuals for whom immigration status was verified using the SAVE program can be found in the table below:

<b>SAVE DATA (2019-2020)</b>						
<b>AHCCCS 2019</b>		<b>DES 2019</b>		<b>HEAplus 2019</b>		<b>Total</b>
July	2	July	202	July	971	1175
August	1	August	183	August	701	885
September	1	September	130	September	598	729
October	0	October	89	October	597	686
November	0	November	122	November	424	546
December	1	December	65	December	513	579
Total	5	Total	791	Total	3804	4600
<b>AHCCCS 2020</b>		<b>DES 2020</b>		<b>HEAplus 2020</b>		<b>Total</b>
January	1	January	112	January	589	702
February	1	February	152	February	326	479
March	0	March	94	March	704	798
April	0	April	340	April	1322	1662
May	0	May	122	May	869	991
June	4	June	120	June	425	549
Total	6	Total	940	Total	4235	5181
<b>YTD</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>1731</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>8039</b>	<b>9781</b>

No fraudulent cases were identified during State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2020.

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A.R.S. 36-2903.03 also requires AHCCCS to report on the number of individuals, by citizenship status, referred for prosecution for violations of state or federal law. During SFY 2020, there were 21 individuals referred for prosecution; 20 involved citizens and 1 involved a non-citizen. These individuals were referred for Fraudulent Schemes and Artifices; Fraud Schemes and Practices; Forgery; and Theft.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like any additional information or have any questions regarding the data included in this report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jami Snyder". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jami" and last name "Snyder" clearly distinguishable.

Jami Snyder

Director

cc: The Honorable Karen Fann, President Arizona State Senate  
The Honorable Russell Bowers, Speaker, Arizona House of Representatives  
Richard Stavneak, Director, Joint Legislative Budget Committee  
Matt Gress, Director, Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting  
Christina Corieri, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor