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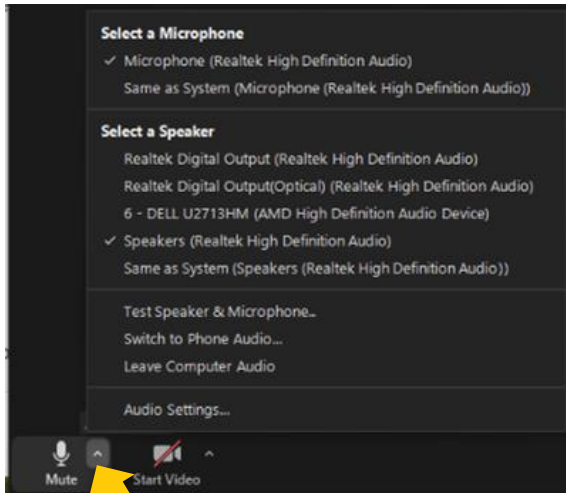
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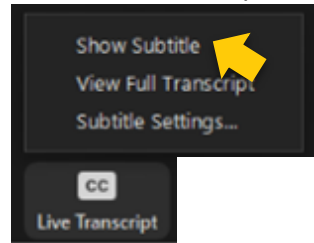
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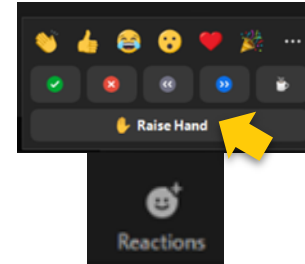
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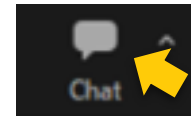
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# AHCCCS ARP Program Award

Program Introduction Webinar

# PCG's Role in the Award Program

- [Public Consulting Group](#) (PCG) is a public sector consulting firm that works with health, education, and human services agencies
- AHCCCS has contracted with PCG to administer the program awards
- PCG will provide technical assistance to applicants throughout the application, award, and payment process

# Program Overview

- New \$40 million award program to strengthen Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) in Arizona
  - Uses funds from the American Rescue Plan (ARP)
  - More information on the [ARP and Arizona's Spending Plan](#)
- Goal is to enhance the member experience, health, and safety of people receiving HCBS in the state
- Application opens on April 17, 2023

# Funding Guidelines

- Applicants can request between \$10,000 and \$500,000 for programmatic or infrastructure projects
  - One-time, upfront funding
  - Administration costs cannot exceed 10% of your total request
- Applicants can use funds to create a new project or expand an existing one
- Funds must be spent by September 30, 2024
  - Any unspent funding must be returned to AHCCCS within 60 days of your project end date

# Who Can Apply

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| <b>Behavioral Health Outpatient Clinics</b><br>(Provider Type 77) | <b>Board-Certified Behavior Analysts</b><br>(Provider Type BC)          |
| <b>Attendant Care</b> (Provider Type 40)                          | <b>Adult Foster Care</b> (Provider Type 50)                             |
| <b>Integrated Clinics</b> (Provider Type IC)                      | <b>Home Delivered Meals</b> (Provider Type 70)                          |
| <b>Assisted Living Centers</b> (Provider Type 49)                 | <b>Adult Day Health</b> (Provider Type 27)                              |
| <b>Assisted Living Homes</b> (Provider Type 36)                   | <b>Elderly and Physical Disability (EPD) HCBS</b><br>(Provider Type 81) |
| <b>Habilitation Providers</b> (Provider Type 39)                  | <b>Area Agencies on Aging</b>   |
| <b>Community Service Agencies</b><br>(Provider Type A3)           |   |



# Who Can Benefit (1 of 2)

- Arizona Long Term Care System (ALTCS) members and non-ALTCS members can benefit from these awards
- This includes:
  - People who are elderly,
  - Individuals with disabilities,
  - Individuals living with a Serious Mental Illness (SMI) designation, and
  - Children with behavioral health needs

## Who Can Benefit (2 of 2)

- Funded programs should only support Arizona residents
  - That includes Arizona residents living on tribal land
- Award funding can only be used to support people in Medicaid-eligible programs
  - Non-Medicaid clients in Medicaid-eligible programs may benefit if the program mostly supports Medicaid clients

# How to Apply

- Apply online using [GrantsConnect](#) by **5:00 p.m. on May 16**
  - Application opens on April 17
- You may submit only one application
  - You cannot make any changes to your application after you submit

## GrantsConnect Webinar



April 19



12–1 p.m.



[Register on Zoom](#)

## Eligible Activities (1 of 2)

Any activities that improve the member experience, health, or safety of HCBS recipients in Arizona are eligible

Increase engagement in community activities

Expand supportive employment and employment skills development, including volunteerism

Support member voice and their choice to lead self-directed lives

Expand opportunities for social engagement and relationship building

Support recreation and health promotion programs that promote physical activity and nutrition

## Eligible Activities (2 of 2)

Any activities that improve the member experience, health, or safety of HCBS recipients in Arizona are eligible

Expand technology that improves connectivity and telehealth

Create environmental/physical plant upgrades that promote health and safety

Increase or build transportation capacity

Provide access to assistive technology or service animals to support independence

Enhance data systems and infrastructure to streamline service delivery, promote access to care, or support care coordination

Expand and enhance independent housing opportunities

# Types of Projects

## Programmatic Projects

- Create new or expand existing programs, services, or activities
- Improve member experience, health, or safety through:
  - Community participation,
  - Self-advocacy,
  - Relationship building, or
  - Health promotion

## Infrastructure Projects

- Purchase or improve the following:
  - Equipment,
  - Connectivity access,
  - Data systems,
  - Assistive technology,
  - Vehicles, or
  - Physical plant modifications
- Must directly impact member experience, health, or safety
- Exclude the purchase of structures (e.g., homes, buildings, etc.)

# Ineligible Activities

- Award funds cannot be used:
  - For projects with on-going costs or other long-term cost commitments
    - Unless you can provide plans to ensure the long-term sustainability of the investment
  - To supplant or replace existing state funds for Medicaid HCBS
    - Funding may be used to supplement, enhance, expand, or strengthen existing services

# Partnerships

- You can partner with one or more other organizations as part of your project
- Only the lead applicant responsible for the award should apply on behalf of the partnership
  - Attach letters of support from the other partners to the application



# Application Sections (1 of 3)

## 1. Organization and Experience

- Your organization, its programs, and service area
- Key personnel and their role in the project
- Communication or marketing strategy to promote your project

## 2. Project Overview

- Short description of your project
- Award goals your project will achieve
- Need your project is addressing
- Key milestones and deliverables
- How your project fits your organization's strategy and vision
- Potential risks and solutions to address these risks

# Application Sections (2 of 3)

## 3. Project Impact

- People and areas that will benefit from your project
- Any partners for your project, if applicable

## 4. Budget

- Detailed description of project costs, including:
  - Milestone, phase, or deliverable
  - Projected start and end dates
  - Total costs, including staff, materials, and administrative costs
- Sustainability Plan for continuing the project after funding ends

# Application Sections (3 of 3)

## 5. Timeline

- Any additional details on your project timeline
- Start and end dates for the project

## 6. Reporting Outcomes

- Target outcomes for your project
- Method for collecting and measuring data for outcomes

# Reporting

- Applicants who receive funding will be responsible for providing quarterly reports to AHCCCS
- Applicants will identify their target outcome for reporting:
  - Employment/Volunteerism
  - Relationship Building
  - Community Integration
  - Health Promotion
  - Self-Advocacy
  - Technology Access
- All expenses and documents related to this program must be retained and accessible for audit and review by AHCCCS for 10 years

# Important Dates

| Activity                 | Date                      |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Application Opens        | April 17, 2023            |
| GrantsConnect Webinar    | April 19, 2023            |
| Application Closes       | May 16, 2023              |
| Award Notifications Sent | July 2023 (anticipated)   |
| Awardee Receives Payment | August 2023 (anticipated) |
| All Funds Must Be Spent  | September 2024            |

# Technical Assistance

If you have any questions on the grant program or need help applying:



[Program Web Page](#)



**831-318-8295**



[AHCCCSARPAwardsHelp@pcgus.com](mailto:AHCCCSARPAwardsHelp@pcgus.com)

# Questions

- We will do our best to answer as many questions as possible
- Stay muted if you are not asking a question
  - Please raise your hand if you have a question to ensure everyone does not speak at once
  - Or add your question to chat and we will read it out
- All questions asked will be saved and used for the development of future support materials

Thank You.