

NURSING FACILITY UPDATE

- ❖ Senate Bill 1136 made changes to the nursing facility supplemental payments
- ❖ Gives AHCCCS authority to act on non-payment of the NF assessment
 - Authority to suspend AHCCCS registration
 - Authority to notify ADHS of non-payment; possible suspension or revocation of license
- ❖ Exempts out-of-state NFs from receiving supplemental payments
 - Out-of-state NFs are not assessed, because not licensed by AZ
 - Will require a State Plan Amendment – Att. 4.19-D Page 9
 - This change will not have a material impact on the other NFs

GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION DISTRIBUTION

- ❖ AHCCCS is ready to submit the SPA for 2015 GME payments
 - Covers GME academic year July 1, 2014 thru June 30, 2015
 - Will distribute nearly \$163 million to 12 training hospitals
- ❖ AHCCCS is also preparing to submit the SPA for 2016 GME payments
 - Covers GME academic year July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016
 - Annual “place-holder” SPA in preparation for next year’s distribution
 - Distribution amounts will be an estimate only
- ❖ AHCCCS has proposed a rule revision for the GME distribution methodology
 - Addresses only Indirect Medical Education costs
 - Modifies the way that Indirect ME costs are determined under the rule
 - Purpose: Cover a greater portion of the costs incurred by hospitals
 - Estimated increase in GME funding is \$80 million annual
 - Will require a State Plan Amendment – Att. 4.19-A Pages 9(d) and 9(f)