

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 the Physician Administered Drug Schedule to be effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2024.

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) Physician Administered Drug rates to be effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2024. The AHCCCS Administration is proposing changes to the FFS rates specified in this Notice 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. The estimated increase in FFS payments as a result of the methodology change is expected to be approximately \$218,100 for the time period of January 1, 2024 through September 30, 2024.

AHCCCS is proposing the following methodology change to the state plan:

Current State Plan Language: Physician billing- For non-chemotherapy drugs that are priced on the Medicare Part B Drug Schedule, AHCCCS sets its FFS rates as 95% of the Medicare Part B rate.

Proposed State Plan Language: Physician billing- For non-chemotherapy drugs that are priced on the Medicare Part B Drug Schedule, AHCCCS sets its FFS rates as 100% of the Medicare Part B rate.

- b. AHCCCS plans to update all Physician Administered Drugs that are priced on the Medicare Part B Drug Schedule on a quarterly basis starting January 1, 2024.
- c. Written comments may be sent to FFSRates@azahcccs.gov and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 1, 2023.
- d. 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.