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State Plan Amendments & Traditional Healing Update

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Emergency Dental & Occupational Therapy

- SB1527 passed this session

- Outpatient Occupational Therapy added as a covered service

- Emergency Dental Care and extractions up to $1000 added as a covered service

- Effective date 10/1/17

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NF Rates

- AHCCCS is updating the rates paid to nursing facilities as of 7/1/17

- New rates can be found https://www.azahcccs.gov/AHCCCS/Downloads/PublicNotices/rates/NF_20170710_FinalPublicNotice.pdf

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DSH Transition

- AHCCCS waiver requires that the Disproportionate Share Hospital program be transitioned from the 1115 Waiver to the SP

- SPA makes minor changes to methodology in order to simplify the calculation by using FFY data when available instead of prorating data over hospital fiscal years

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Graduate Medical Education

- AHCCCS has completed the GME 2017 calculations

- Potential distribution = $295,270,475 across 21 training hospitals

- Hospitals must receive state-match portion from a local, county or tribal government, or university under the Arizona Board of Regents

- IGAs for the funding must be submitted to AHCCCS no later than 08/15/2017

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Graduate Medical Education

- AHCCCS has modified the calculation of the Indirect Medical Education (IME) portion

  - Calculating Medicare-specific IME cost from data on the Medicare Cost Report

  - AHCCCS formula replaces MCR FTEs with current-year resident counts

  - Discharges (rather than days) to determine a Medicare utilization share

- Payments of GME amounts subject to CMS approval of State Plan Amendment

- AHCCCS will be submitting a placeholder SPA for 2018 once the distributions have been established for 2017

  - Further refinement of the formula is expected for the 2018 GME year

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Traditional Healing

- AHCCCS is seeking authority to reimburse for Traditional Healing services as a covered service

- The Workgroup has shared our current draft SPA with CMS

- Current Status: SPA v. Waiver

Questions?

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