

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

1. Name of the agency: Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)

2. The Subject of this notice: AHCCCS October 1, 2011 Provider Rate Reductions

3. The public information relating to the subject:

Laws 2011, Chapter 31, gives AHCCCS authority to reduce rates for all providers up to 5%. Effective October 1, 2011, AHCCCS will reduce by 5%:

All Provider Rates, Except for:

- Drugs administered in a physician's office
- Hospice rates - AHCCCS matches Medicare rates as required by Federal law.
- Payments for services provided by the Indian Health Service or Tribal 638 facilities claimed at 100% FMAP.

All Payment Ratios:

- All payment ratios utilized for provider reimbursement will also be reduced by 5%. (e.g. all Cost-to-Charge Ratios (CCRs), By Report Percentages (BR), etc.)

More information can be obtained from the AHCCCS website at:

<http://www.azahcccs.gov/commercial/ProviderBilling/rates/rates.aspx>

4. A list of previous notices published in the *Arizona Administrative Register* relating to the notice of public information.

None

5. The name, address, and telephone number of agency personnel to whom questions and comment on the subject may be addressed:

Written comments should be sent to the following address and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 30, 2011.

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