ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM

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AHCCCS NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION
INTENT TO SUBMIT A STATE PLAN AMENDMENT (SPA)

Name of the Agency: Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)

The topic of the public information notice: Inform the public of AHCCCS intent to submit a State Plan Amendment.

SPA Title: Consolidated Appropriations Act Sunset Date Removal

SPA Overview: This SPA removes the sunset date of December 31, 2026 in accordance with the companion letter of the approved SPA AZ-25-0010 that attested to meeting the Juvenile Justice Requirements of section 5121 of the CAA.

Tribal Consultation:
AHCCCS will consult with the Tribes via a Tribal Leader Letter and in the Tribal Consultation on December 2, 2026.

State Plan Amendment and Public Comment Period
The proposed SPA is located on the next page of this document.

Public notice was posted on October 30, 2026.

Comments will be accepted through November 30, 2026.

Comments can be submitted through email or postal mail. The addresses where comments may be sent are provided below.

- Email:
  publicinput@azahcccs.gov
- Postal Mail:
  AHCCCS
  Attn: Division of Community Advocacy and Intergovernmental Relations
  150 N. 18th Avenue
  Phoenix, AZ 85007

Additional information provided (optional):

☐ No

☒ Yes [provide below]

~~The authority to provide for mandatory coverage for eligible juveniles who are inmates of a public institution post adjudication of charges will cease on December 31, 2026.~~

The state may determine that it is not feasible to provide the required services during the pre-release period in certain carceral facilities (e.g., identified local jails, youth correctional facilities, and state prisons) and/or certain circumstances (e.g. unexpected release or short-term stays). The state will maintain clear documentation in its internal operational plan regarding each facility and/or circumstances where the state determines that it is not feasible to provide for the required services during the pre-release period. This information is available to CMS upon request. Services will be provided post-release, including the mandatory 30-days of targeted case management, screening, and diagnostic services.

The state will maintain clear documentation in its internal operational plan indicating which carceral facility/facilities are furnishing required services during the pre-release period but not enrolling in or billing Medicaid. This information is available to CMS upon request.

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