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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: Frequency of Renewals Eligibility

SPA Overview: This SPA updates the renewal eligibility requirements to every 6 months rather than every 12 months.

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 November 10, 2026.

Comments will be accepted through December 10, 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
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Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

General Eligibility Requirements

Frequency of Renewals of Eligibility

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Package Header

Package ID	AZ2026MS0002O	**SPA ID**	AZ-26-9998
Submission Type	Official	**Initial Submission Date**	N/A
Approval Date	N/A		
Superseded SPA ID	N/A	**Effective Date**	N/A

The state conducts periodic renewals as specified at 1902(e)(14)(L) of the Social Security Act and 42 C.F.R. § 435.916 as follows (select all that apply):

A. MAGI Renewals

☑ Renewals of eligibility for individuals whose financial eligibility is based on the applicable modified adjusted gross income standard, except individuals described under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Act or enrolled in a demonstration under section 1115 of the Act that provides minimum essential coverage to all individuals described under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Act, are performed once every 12 months.

☑ Renewals of eligibility for individuals enrolled under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Act or enrolled in a demonstration under section 1115 of the Act that provides minimum essential coverage to all individuals described under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Act, are performed once every 6 months, except for:

- an American Indian or Alaska Native who:
  - is an Indian or an Urban Indian (as defined in paragraphs (13) and (28) of section 4 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act),
  - is a California Indian (as described in section 809(a) of such Act), or
  - has otherwise been determined eligible as an Indian for the Indian Health Service under HHS regulations.
- Renewals of eligibility for excepted individuals are performed once every 12 months

B. Renewals on a Basis Other than MAGI

Renewals of eligibility for individuals whose financial eligibility is not based on the MAGI standard are performed as follows (select all that apply):

☑ a. Once every 12 months

☐ b. Once every 6 months

☐ c. Other, more frequent than once every 12 months

C. Additional Information (optional)

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