

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 designated fee schedules to be effective for dates of service beginning February 22, 2021.
3. **The public information relating to the topic:**
 - a. This Notice of Public Information describes changes to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) Fee-For-Service (FFS) rates to be effective February 22, 2021. The AHCCCS Administration is making 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 total estimated increase in FFS payments as a result of the rate changes is expected to be approximately \$177,800. More detailed information regarding the fee schedule changes is included below.

As part of Arizona's COVID-19 vaccine distribution strategy, state and county drive-through vaccine sites have been created as a mechanism to administer the vaccine to eligible populations. To ensure that AHCCCS members who cannot provide or arrange their own transportation have access to these distribution sites, AHCCCS is temporarily implementing modifications to the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) wait time reimbursement through the end of the PHE.

For a drive-through vaccine trip, AHCCCS is implementing an add-on rate of \$8.64 to the existing base rate for T2007 - Transportation Waiting Time, Non-Emergency Vehicle. The total FFS rate for 1 unit (30 minutes) of T2007 for a drive-through vaccine trip will be \$13.23.

- b. 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.