Childless Adults DRAFT Waiver Amendment

October 1, 2012
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Overview

- AHCCCS currently covers adults without deprived children ("Childless Adults") through its 1115 Waiver because Childless Adults are not otherwise eligible for Medicaid.
- Arizona is one of only six states in the country to provide Medicaid coverage to Childless Adults.
- The authority to cover Childless Adults under the Waiver expires December 31, 2013.
- The purpose is to continue the State’s existing authority to cover childless adults in AHCCCS beyond 2013.
- Waiver request attempts to eliminate the possibility of having to drop childless adults from coverage January 1, 2014.
As the State evaluates coverage options for the future, Governor Brewer has underscored the need to identify enhanced federal match rate opportunities for the restoration of coverage for Childless Adults.

This amendment request does not reflect any decision on the part of Governor Brewer about the future of Arizona’s Medicaid program.
FMAP

- As part of the request, AHCCCS will seek clarification on the applicable FMAP.
- FMAP is the federal share of expenditures for the Medicaid program. At this time, it is unknown which FMAP will apply to Arizona.
- States that have never covered childless adults can obtain 100% federal funding for this population in 2014.
- Because Arizona already covers childless adults, Arizona is not eligible for the 100% FMAP for childless adults.
- Restoring coverage for childless adults at enhanced versus regular FMAP is an additional cost of $1.5 billion to State.
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### Summary of AZ’s Estimated Costs

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<th>Cost to Arizona</th>
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<td>Enhanced FMAP @ 83-90%</td>
<td>$928 million</td>
<td>FMAP % and cost if CMS approves enhanced FMAP for childless adults.</td>
<td>DRAFT request to CMS open for public comment.</td>
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<td>Regular FMAP @ 66%</td>
<td>$2.5 billion</td>
<td>FMAP % and cost if CMS does not approve enhanced FMAP.</td>
<td>If CMS does not approve enhanced FMAP, the Legislature will need to determine if there are available funds to cover childless adults.</td>
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<td>Full FMAP @ 100%</td>
<td>$57 million</td>
<td>FMAP % and cost if Arizona had not previously covered childless adults.</td>
<td>Arizona is not eligible for 100% FMAP to cover childless adults.</td>
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Process and Timeline

- October 19, 2012: Deadline for public comments on DRAFT Waiver Request.
- Submit Waiver Request to CMS
- Negotiate details with CMS
- Obtain CMS approval
- Goal: Approval in time for policymakers to act (legislative session begins January 2013)