Summary of State Plan Amendments (SPAs)

1. **ADHS Licensure Changes** - Laws 2011, Ch. 96, § 1 required ADHS to adopt rules regarding health care institutions that reduce monetary or regulatory costs on persons or individuals and facilitate licensing of "integrated health programs that provide both behavioral and physical health services." In response, the Department revised the rules in Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.), Title 9, Chapter 10 and Chapter 20.

The ADHS website provides a very detailed overview of the changes:

AHCCCS must simply make corresponding changes to its State Plan to come into compliance with the new ADHS changes. For instance, as required by Law 2011, Chapter 96 (HB 2634), ADHS is making changes to its licensing rules that:
- Clarify the difference between Behavioral Care and Behavioral Health Services
- Describe why treatment plans and assessments are important for persons receiving behavioral health services
- Provide the role and requirements of professionals and para-professionals in behavioral health services

2. **Well Exams** – AHCCCS will submit a SPA to restore well exams as a covered benefit for adults.

3. **Rates** – AHCCCS has to submit an update to its State Plan for FFY 2013 to reflect that the agency will maintain the same rates in place currently, and increase rates for behavioral health providers. This has no impact on the All Inclusive Rate.

4. **Recovery Audit Contractors (RAC)** - Adds underpayments for RACs. This SPA establishes a Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) program to contract with one or more Medicaid contractors to identify underpayments for all services for which payment is made to any entity under Arizona’s State Plan or approved 1115 demonstration waiver.

5. **Cost Sharing** – American Indians/Alaska Natives are not subject to cost sharing requirements in Medicaid. Nevertheless, the agency wants to update tribal stakeholders that copay amounts and populations subject to mandatory copayments will change in the State Plan. See attached.