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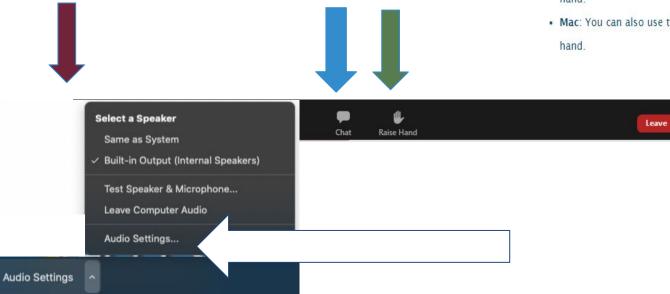


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#### **Tribal Housing Listening Session**

February 1, 2021





#### **Tribal Housing Discussion**

Amanda Bahe, AHCCCS Tribal Liaison





### Intention of Today's Session

- Help AHCCCS better understand unique housing systems and needs on tribal lands to inform our work on housing initiatives moving forward
- Voices from tribal housing programs, CHR programs, and other ITU-specific programs at the table.
- Group guidelines:
  - $\circ$  Respect
  - Member-specific info not to be shared
  - Recording answers for informational purposes



#### Outcomes

- AHCCCS Housing Programs would like to understand unique realities of tribal members and tribal housing systems (including providers)
- Help improve current and planned housing-related programs with a focus on:
  - Member experience
  - Focus
  - $\circ$  Coordination



#### Guide to Acronyms

Acronym	Term
AHCCCS	Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System
ΤΧΙΧ	Title 19
NTXIX	Non-Title 19
GMHSU	General Mental Health/Substance Use
SMI	Serious Mental Illness





#### **AHCCCS Housing Programs (AHP)**

David Bridge, AHCCCS Director of Housing Programs





#### **History**

#### 1989 – Arnold v. Sarn (Maricopa)

- Court Order Included Housing
  - Maricopa HUD CoC for SMI Housing
  - AZ Legislative Appropriations
    - Units purchased and rehabbed (ex: SB2003)
  - Subsidies/Scattered Sites Programs

#### 2016 Arnold v. Sarn Settlement/Exited

- Housing in Exit Stipulations
- AHCCCS/DBHS Integrated Care
- AHCCCS as funder/Regulator RBHAs as operators



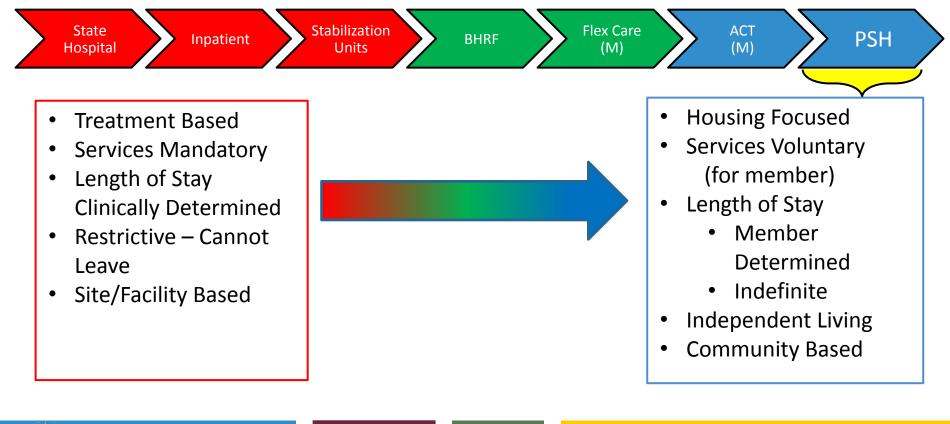




### Housing Solutions



#### **Behavioral Health Housing Continuum**





#### **PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING**

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A combination of **housing** and individualized **services** designed for people with serious mental illnesses or other disabilities who need support to live stably in their communities. It is a proven solution for people who have experienced chronic homelessness as well as people with disabilities

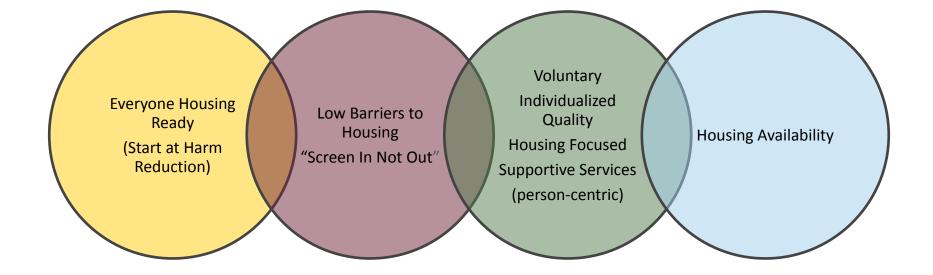
#### PERMANENT

#### SUPPORTIVE

HOUSING



#### **Permanent Supportive Housing Principles**





### Medicaid Reimbursable Supportive Services

#### **Behavioral Health (Medicaid)**

- Group Counseling
- Case Management
- Individual Peer & Family supports
- Life Skills
- Health Promotion
- Medication Assistance
- Transportation
- Mainstream Benefit Assistance
- Pre & Post Employment Support

COMMON AHCCCS MEDICAID ELIGIBLE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES						
Pre Tenancy (Attain)	Tenancy (Sustain)					
ID and Documents	Crisis Planning					
Completing Applications	Budgeting					
Understanding Lease and Notices	Employment Support					
Housing Search	Benefit Applications					
Prep for Negotiations/Interviews	Life Skills (Cooking, Hygiene)					
Accommodation Requests	Socialization					
Move in Coordination	Family and Natural Supports					
Attending Housing Briefings	Conflict Management					
Budgeting and Planning	Landlord Communication					
Identifying Housing Barriers	Substance Abuse Supports					
	Lease Renewal/Recertification					



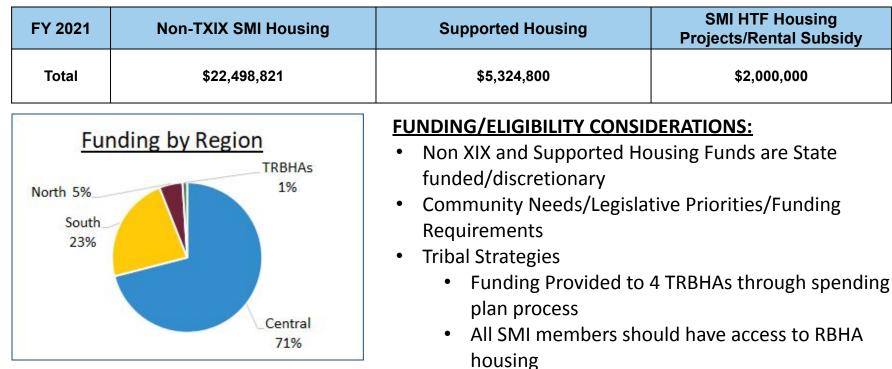


AHCCCS HOUSING PROGRAMS



### **AHCCCS Housing Program Funding**

#### (2021 Proposed Housing Allocations)





### **Background – Eligibility/Activities**

	POPULATION		 MEM. ELIGIBILITY		 ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES					
	SMI	GMHSU	хіх	NXIX	FIXED SITE SUBSIDIES	SCATTERED SITE SUBSIDIES	ONE TIME HOUSING SUPPORT	CAPITAL	SUPPORT SERVICES	
SMI GF - Housing	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES**	NO	
Supported General Housing Fund	YES	YES	YES	SMI ONLY	YES	YES	YES	YES**	NO	
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SMI Housing Trust Fund	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES*	YES*	NO	YES	NO	

- Per Laws 2019, 1st Regular Session, Chapter 270, funds can be used for rental assistance for SMI persons. Currently used in Bridge subsidy programs.
- \*\*Subject to AHCCCS approval only. Note AHCCCS does not do GMH/SU Housing Projects.



#### **Current TRBHA Housing Activities**



### Eviction Prevention

#### **Rent Subsidies**

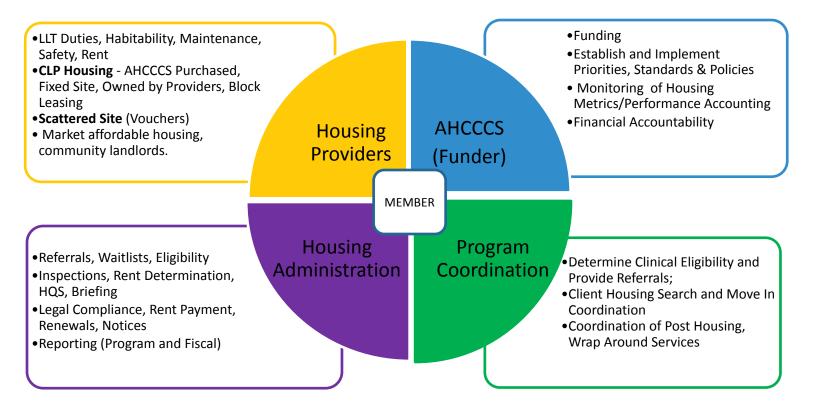




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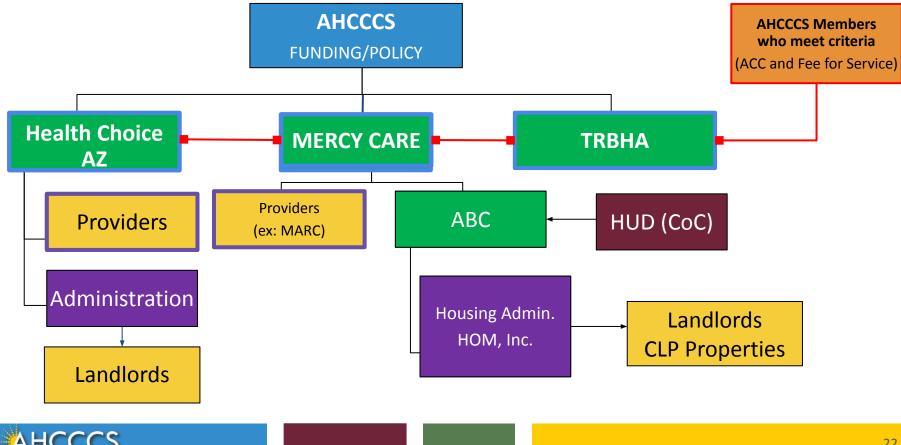


### **Housing Functions**

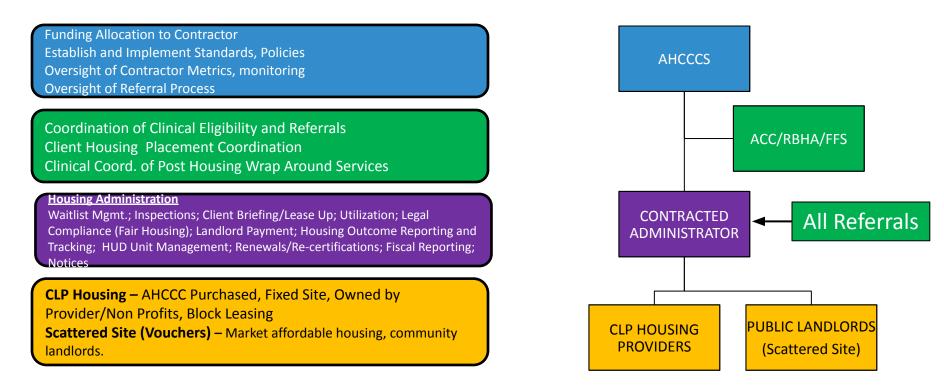




#### **CURRENT STRUCTURE**



#### **PROPOSED HOUSING ADMINISTRATION**





### **AHCCCS Challenges to Tribal Housing Coordination**

- Grant Requirements and Accountabilities
- RBHA Structure/Focus
- Lack of Knowledge of Tribal Resources/Entities/Realities
  - Scope of Needs (Quantity and Type)
  - Housing Authorities, Human Services Partners
  - Use of funds tribal lands
  - Unique tribal governmental systems



#### **Open Discussion**

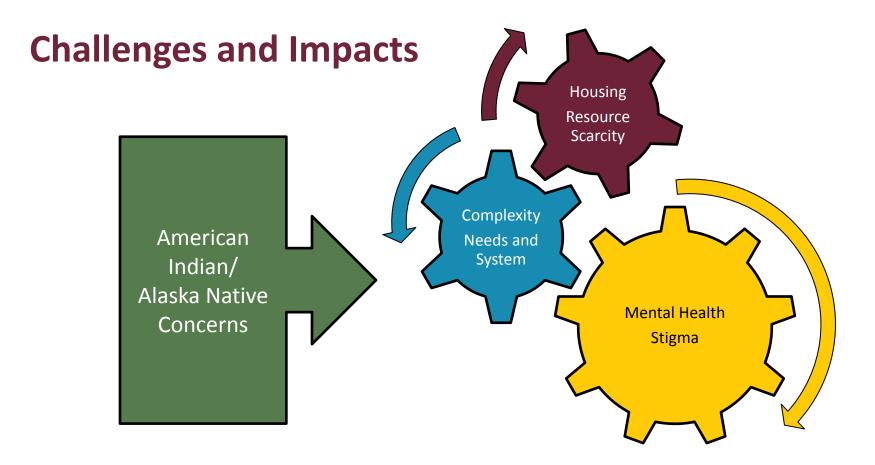
**Chat Questions** 





### **Breakout Questions**







#### **Group Questions**

- Based on our current services, how could we expand for tribal nations and communities?
- Who would be a current "provider" for referrals?
- Who would be a current "provider" for service coordination?
- What is your perception of barriers to housing for members you serve?



#### **Group Questions**

- Would it be appropriate for AHCCCS to target a specific population within tribal communities?
  - Right now we focus on SMI members should this focus be expanded?
- General "risk" profiles we currently focus on include unsheltered relatives, justice-involved individuals, "high cost high need" members.
  - How are each of these populations defined in your community?
  - Are there other profiles that we should consider?
- What types of societal issues related to Indigeneity should be addressed?



#### System Questions

- What are current barriers to accessing housing funds through AHCCCS?
- What are current barriers to coordinating housing services for tribal members:
  - o On tribal lands?
  - o Off tribal lands?



#### **Provider Questions**

- What does housing referral currently look like for the tribal members that you serve?
- What are current barriers to helping coordinate housing services for members that you serve?



#### **Concluding Questions**

- Highlighted Questions:
  - Who else should be in the room?
  - Bright Ideas: Solutions
  - One or two key takeaways from group



#### Next Steps

- AHCCCS will send out a survey with all questions please respond with additional feedback/concerns/questions.
  Due 3/5/2021 COB.
- AHCCCS will consolidate all responses and send out a summary to the group.
  - Document will be shared with executive leadership team for system transformation.
- AHCCCS will alert group of any future housing-related meetings moving forward.



### Thank You.



#### **Resource Slides**

#### \*Provided for reference outside of session.



## **Permanent Supportive Housing Eligibility**

PSH provides housing opportunities for <u>homeless</u> individuals diagnosed as having a serious mental illness and enrolled with Mercy Care. Members must also have a <u>VI-SPDAT score in</u> <u>the range for Permanent Supportive Housing</u>.

Homeless individuals include individuals or families who do not have a fixed, sustainable or appropriate nighttime residence, meaning:

- 1. The primary nighttime residence is a public or private place not meant for human habitation
- 2. Is living in a shelter designated to provide temporary living (including homeless shelters, transitional housing, hotels paid for by charitable organization or government program)
- 3. Is being discharged from an institution, such as a residential treatment or similar facility, a behavioral health inpatient stay, physical health hospitalization, and they were admitted as homeless

