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#### **TI 2.0 UPDATES**

### **Application Requirements**

The Targeted Investments Program (TI 2.0) application requirements are now available on the TI 2.0 webpage. The deadline to submit an application for the TI 2.0 program is September 30, 2023 by 5 pm (MST/ AZ time). Complete the Provider Interest Form by August 30, 2023 to request additional information, application guidance, or feedback on required documentation prior to the application deadline. The application portal will be available in the summer. AHCCCS will notify newsletter recipients, contacts indicated on the provider interest form, and original program contacts when the application portal is available.

### Preparing for the TI 2.0 Application

- 1) Review TI 2.0 eligibility criteria and prepare required documentation.
- 2) Confirm that clinics under your organization's TIN have an EHR system capable of bidirectional data exchange with the HIE (Contexture).
- 3) Confirm that you have an AHCCCS Online Account with access to the TI Portal.
- 4) Complete the Provider Interest Form.

### **Information Sessions**

AHCCCS will present TI 2.0 information at webinars through September, Please contact the TI team at targetedinvestments@azahcccs.gov if a presentation would be meaningful for your organization or coalition.

## **Milestones and Performance Measures**

TI 2.0 participants will earn incentive payments based on implementing processes with required elements in years 2 and 3 and meeting targets on NCQA HEDIS(r) performance measures as calculated through claims with dates of service in each program year. AHCCCS expects to finalize the performance measures for years 2 and 3 prior to the application deadline.

## **TI 1.0 YEAR 5 PAYMENT**

TI 1.0 Year 5 payments were disbursed in December, 2022. Contact the TI team at targetedinvestments@azahcccs.gov if your organization did not receive any portion of the payment.

## **TI 1.0 YEAR 6 PAYMENT**

Did your organization undergo any changes during Year 6? This may impact your TI incentive payment. TI participants are responsible for clearly communicating changes in participating sites. This includes situations where the participating organization:

- relocated or moved to another service address,
- closed a 11 Participating site,
- · merged with other organizations,
- changed TI participation status,
- changed provider type,
- · or changed service provider IDs.

Please note that Health Plans and AHCCCS do not notify each other of any changes, so changes must be communicated to both. To ensure your changes do not interfere with timely receipt of your incentive payments, participants must do the following:

- 1) Confirm or update the AHCCCS Provider Enrollment Portal (APEP) to reflect the correct service address, including the suite number when applicable; AND
- 2) Notify your contracted Health Plans of any changes; AND
- 3) Notify the Targeted Investments team of changes by completing this "Report A Change" Google form.

## **Year 6 Payment Timeline**

Year 6 performance measure results will be finalized and communicated to participants in Spring, 2023. Participants can expect Year 6 payment by Fall, 2023.

# Year 6 QIC & QIW Validation

Validation for Year 6 Quality Improvement Collaboratives (QIC) & Quality Improvement Workgroups (QIW) attendance will begin in March, 2023. Participants can prepare by compiling a record of attendance for their organization's representatives.

To meet the Year 6 QIC Milestone organization's administrative and clinical QIC representatives or their designees needed to attend four of the Year 6 QIC virtual group meetings offered for their Area of Concentration. Alternatively, organizations could also complete the milestone by attending three QIC virtual meetings and two QIWs.

Participants will only be contacted if there is any question of milestone attainment.

Participants will not be contacted if attendance records clearly show sufficient attendance.

TI will not be able to validate sufficient attendance until March.

### Year 6 Service Provider Updates

TI will be updating "service provider" lists that drive Year 6-end performance measurement in February. Participating organizations with some of their clinics participating in TI can expect the TI team to contact the organization to request information. Participants will not be contacted if all of the organization's clinics participate in TI.

Updated dashboards reflecting the service provider changes will be implemented by April. Organizations that have experienced significant turnover in providers listed on claims in the past year will notice a change in denominators and measured performance.

### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE WITH CONTEXTURE

Contexture, formerly Health Current has joined with Colorado's CORHIO to form a new regional health information exchange organization. Technical assistance from Contexture is available to provide TI participants with technical assistance on data use and exchange. This includes strategies for making effective use of incoming data, such as using health information technology and securely sharing clinical data in order to improve care coordination, identifying and managing patient populations, and developing high risk patient registries. Contact your Contexture account manager or <a href="https://discounter.org">HIEsupport@Contexture.org</a> for assistance.

#### **MEET OUR NEW TEAM MEMBER!**

The AHCCCS Targeted Investments program is pleased to announce that Vishal Etikala has joined the team as a Statistical Liaison!

Vishal has two years experience in database administration, technical analysis, and writing various types of code to QA systems. He has a Master of Program Evaluation & Data Analytics and a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from ASU. Vishal's experience with various public policies in the Masters program sparked his interest in health policy and improving quality of life. He is excited to join the Targeted Investments team and work on evaluating innovative policies. Vishal will be working with ASU to perform statistical analyses that support TI 2.0 and, once he acclimates, other AHCCCS programs - particularly those related to Health Equity and Health Related Social Needs. Vishal can be contacted at <a href="wishal.etikala@azahcccs.gov">wishal.etikala@azahcccs.gov</a>.

Email <u>targetedinvestments@azahcccs.gov</u> if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

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