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Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010

Management of the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System ("AHCCCS" or the "Agency") provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis for the benefit of the readers of the AHCCCS financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of AHCCCS is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at AHCCCS' performance as a whole. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the basic financial statements and related footnotes that follow this section.

Financial Highlights

Government-Wide

- The liabilities of AHCCCS exceeded its assets (presented as "net deficit") at fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 by \$6.8 million. AHCCCS' net deficit at June 30, 2010 is comprised of an unrestricted net deficit of \$7.8 million and \$1.0 million invested in capital assets.
- The total AHCCCS net deficit decreased by \$254,000 during fiscal year 2010. Net assets of governmental activities decreased by \$1.5 million, while the net deficit of the business-type activity decreased by \$1.8 million.
- The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 increased Federal Medical Assistance Payments by \$921.0 million during fiscal year 2010. These payments reduced the amount of state funds normally required to match federal funds.

Fund Level

- As of the close of fiscal year 2010, AHCCCS' total governmental funds reported an ending fund balance of \$225,000, a decrease of \$460,000. The decrease is attributable to the net change from a decrease in the Intergovernmental Services Fund (AHCCCS Operating Fund Hawaii Arizona PMMIS Agreement (HAPA) Savings Fund) and an increase in the Hospital Residency Loan Fund. These two funds account for 89.8 percent of the change in fund balance at June 30, 2010. The change is comprised of a \$1.4 million transfer to the State's General Fund authorized by the Legislature which reduced the Intergovernmental Services Fund and a \$100,000 repayment received on the \$900,000 hospital residency loan program notes receivable. This transfer was part of the State's effort to offset declining State revenues and to reduce a statewide fiscal year budget deficit.
- The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 increased Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) payments by \$889.4 million during fiscal year 2010 for governmental fund. These payments reduced the amount of state funds normally required to match federal funds.
- Business-type activities during fiscal year 2010 resulted in operating income of \$2.0 million compared to the operating income of \$3.2 million in the prior fiscal year. The operating income continues a positive turn-around trend in the net deficit balance that began in fiscal year 2008. Overall operating results decreased the net deficit to \$9.0 million at June 30, 2010 as compared to the \$10.8 million net deficit balance at June 30, 2009.

More detailed information regarding the government-wide financial statements and fund level financial statements can be found beginning on page 2.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to AHCCCS' basic financial statements, which are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements and 3) notes to the financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements (Reporting AHCCCS as a Whole)

The Government-Wide Financial Statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of AHCCCS' finances that are comparable to a private-sector business. The Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) and the Statement of Activities are two financial statements that report information about AHCCCS, as a whole, and its activities. The presentation in these statements is intended to help answer the question: is AHCCCS, as a whole, better off or worse off financially as a result of this year's activities? These financial statements are prepared using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. They take into account all revenues and expenses connected with the fiscal year even if cash involved has not been received or paid.

The Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) (page 21) presents information on all of AHCCCS' assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as "net assets" or in instances where liabilities exceed assets "net deficit." Over time, increases or decreases in net assets or net deficits, along with other financial information, serve as indicators of AHCCCS' financial position and whether it is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities (page 22) presents information showing how AHCCCS' net assets (deficit) changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying events giving rise to the change occur, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Therefore, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g. incurred but not reported fee-for-service and reinsurance claims, revenue from future Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement payments, business-type activity managed care health plans' stop loss reconciliations, and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both statements report activity for two categories:

- Governmental Activities State appropriations along with federal, county intergovernmental
 revenues and member premium collections primarily support the activities in this category.
 The governmental activities of AHCCCS primarily consist of programs authorized by the
 Social Security Act Titles XIX (Medicaid) and XXI (Children's Health Insurance Program
 (CHIP)) that are concentrated on the health needs of the citizens of Arizona. The majority of
 AHCCCS' activities are reported in this category.
- Business-Type Activities This category is comprised of the Healthcare Group (HCG) operations. Members/customers of HCG are charged a premium that is used to fund the health care coverage provided and associated administrative functions.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 21 and 22.

Fund Financial Statements (Reporting AHCCCS' Major Funds)

A fund is a legislatively authorized fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts that AHCCCS uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for specific activities or objectives. AHCCCS, like other State agencies, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with legislative appropriation funding requirements. All of the funds of AHCCCS can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and the proprietary fund.

Governmental funds - Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, the governmental funds financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financial position and requirements. This approach is known as using the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. These financial statements provide a short-term view of AHCCCS' finances that assists management in determining whether there will be adequate financial resources available to meet current needs.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the State's near-term financial decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities. The basic governmental funds financial statements and related reconciliations can be found on pages 23 through 25 of this report.

AHCCCS reports two fund categories: General Fund and Other Governmental Funds. Information on these funds is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances.

Annually, the Legislature adopts an appropriated budget for AHCCCS for the acute care (includes separate line item appropriations for the Acute Care Base, Proposition 204, KidsCare, KidsCare Parents, Breast & Cervical Cancer, Freedom-to-Work and supplemental payments to hospitals), long-term care and AHCCCS administration programs. The annual appropriation is made separately for both the State funds and federal financial participation funds from the Social Security Act Titles XIX (Medicaid) and XXI (Children's Health Insurance Program). The KidsCare Parents program was eliminated by the Legislature as of October 1, 2009. In addition to the appropriation expenditure authority approved by the Legislature, AHCCCS also expends funds for other third party liability recovery and cost avoidance program activities, supplemental payments to county hospitals, electronic health records infrastructure development and certain payments to hospitals for unfunded emergency department readiness costs and level 1 trauma center costs. The expenditures for unfunded emergency department readiness costs and level 1 trauma center costs are financed by revenues specifically collected for those purposes and are by statute continuously appropriated. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with the budget on page 26.

Proprietary fund - This fund is used to account for activities that charge customers for the services provided. Proprietary funds are prepared using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting; the same method used by private sector businesses. There is no reconciliation needed between the government-wide financial statements for business-type activities and the proprietary fund financial statements.

AHCCCS maintains one proprietary fund that is classified as an enterprise fund. AHCCCS uses this fund to account for the program that provides health insurance coverage for qualifying business organizations including some State political subdivisions. The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 27 through 29 of this report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 30 to 48.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, the net assets (deficit) may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government agency's financial position.

AHCCCS Net Assets (Deficit) (in thousands of dollars)

		ernmental ctivities	Business-Type Activities	Total			
	2010	2009	2010 2009	2010 2009			
Current assets Noncurrent assets Capital assets Total assets	\$ 973,220 800 1,004 975,024	900 1,195	\$ 9,154 \$ 11,933 <u>24 45</u> 9,178 11,978	800 900 1,028 1,240			
Current liabilities Long-term liabilities Total liabilities	972,804 		5,738 8,782 12,450 13,985 18,188 22,767				
Net assets (deficit): Invested in capital assets, net of depreciation Unrestricted (deficit) Total net assets (deficit)	1,004 1,216 \$ 2,220	2,550	24 45 (9,034) (10,834) \$ (9,010) \$ (10,789)	1,028 1,240 (7,818) (8,284) \$ (6,790) \$ (7,044)			

For AHCCCS, liabilities exceeded assets by \$6.8 million at June 30, 2010 as compared to liabilities exceeding assets by \$7.0 million at June 30, 2009.

The largest portion of the AHCCCS total net deficit (132.7%) is due to a \$9.0 million net deficit for HCG, the sole AHCCCS business-type activity. However, during fiscal year 2010, the HCG net deficit decreased by \$1.8 million. This decrease is primarily attributable to the \$2.0 million current year operating income The operating income is a result of actuarially sound rates which aligned member premium revenue with medical loss experience.

A \$1.2 million unrestricted net asset balance for governmental operations partially offsets the business-type activity unrestricted net deficit. The two significant components of the governmental balance consists of miscellaneous funds of \$225,000 in unrestricted amounts that are available for future spending and \$800,000 in hospital residency program loans receivable due and available in future periods upon collection of the loans. During the year, governmental unrestricted net assets decreased by \$1.3 million. This decrease is related to a \$1.4 million transfer to the State's General Fund authorized by the Legislature from the Intergovernmental Services Fund net of annual direct and indirect cost recovery revenue. The transfer was part of the State's efforts to offset declining State revenues. The net deficit in unrestricted net assets is also offset by net assets of \$1.0 million invested in capital assets. AHCCCS uses these capital assets to provide services to its members.

AHCCCS Changes in Net Assets (Deficit) (in thousands of dollars)

		Governmental Activities				Busines	rpe	-				
	_	2010	vities	2009		Activ 2010	ities	2009		Tot 2010	al	2009
Revenues Program Revenues Charges for services Other operating grants and contributions	\$	10,506	\$	13,153	\$	47,487	\$	60,462	\$	58,156 394,687	\$	73,615
Federal operating grants General revenues	7	394,687 7,311,204		5,344,793		-		-	7	7,311,204	6	448,031 6,344,793
State appropriations Tobacco tax Unrestricted investment	1	,676,132 139,061	1	,884,780 150,620		-		-	1,676,132 139,061		1	,884,780 150,620
earnings Total revenues	9,531,708		301 8,841,678		<u>83</u> 47,570		<u>199</u> 60,661		<u>201</u> 9,579,441		500 8,902,339	
Expenses Health Care	_ 9),491, <u>221</u>	_ 8	,765,434		45,426		58,301	_ 9	<u>,536,810</u>	_8	3 <u>,823,735</u>
Excess before transfers		40,487		76,244		2,144		2,360		42,631		78,604
Transfers, net		(42,012)		(77,826)		(365)	_	2,648		(42,377)	_	(75,178)
Increase (decrease) in net Assets (deficit)		(1,525)		(1,582)		1,779		5,008		254		3,426
Net assets (deficit) – beginning of year Net assets (deficit) – end of year	\$	3,745 2,220	\$	5,327 3,745	\$	(10,789) (9,010)	\$	(15,797) (10,789)	\$	(7,044) (6,790)	\$	(10,470) (7,044)

At June 30, 2010, the governmental activities ended in a positive net asset position. The combined business-type activity and government-wide activities closed the fiscal year with a net deficit balance. The net deficit is entirely due to the \$9.0 million business-type activity net deficit. However, the overall agency net deficit was decreased by \$254,000, or 3.6 percent from the net deficit at June 30, 2009.

Governmental activities increased the AHCCCS net deficit by \$1.525 million during fiscal year 2010. This is primarily due a legislatively mandated transfer of \$1.148 million from the intergovernmental services fund to the State General Fund as a result of a statewide fiscal year 2010 budget deficit. The transfer resulted in a net \$1.1 million reduction to the intergovernmental services fund after current year revenue deposits. Business-type activities decreased the net deficit by \$1.8 million. The improvement is primarily attributable to annual operating results that generated \$2.0 million in operating income partially offset by legislative mandated transfers to the State General Fund of \$365,000 and other miscellaneous collections. These operating results allowed HCG to continue the positive trend of decreasing its net deficit position to \$9.0 million at June 30, 2010 compared to \$10.8 million in the year prior.

American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009

During fiscal year 2010, AHCCCS continued to receive fiscal relief provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA or the Act) of 2009. The Act, among other items, provides fiscal relief to states in the form of an increase in the FMAP rate to protect and maintain State Medicaid programs. The ARRA period was originally slated to cover 9 quarters (3 in state fiscal year 2009; 4 in state fiscal year 2010; and 2 in state fiscal year 2011) with Title 5001 of the ARRA legislation providing approximately \$87 billion in grant money to help States, the District of Columbia and Territories meet their health care needs. However, the President signed HR 1586 that included a \$16 billion extension to increased Medicaid FMAP rates for 2 additional quarters through June 30, 2011. AHCCCS estimates that it could receive \$246 million in ARRA Medicaid funds during the

extended increased FMAP period for the Title XIX Medicaid program including pass through funds to other state agencies and political subdivisions.

As a condition of accepting the increased FMAP, AHCCCS must continue to comply with the following ARRA maintenance of effort requirements:

- States are ineligible for increased FMAP if eligibility standards, methodologies, or procedures are more restrictive than what were in effect July 1, 2008. There were provisions that allowed states to reverse changes made prior to the passage of ARRA and still be able to receive the increased FMAP.
- States must comply with prompt payment requirements to providers and must submit a quarterly report that it is in compliance with this provision.
- States cannot deposit or credit any reserve or rainy day funds with revenue from increased FMAP and will be required to report on how the increased FMAP dollars are spent.
- States are ineligible for the increased FMAP if it requires political subdivisions to pay a
 greater percentage of the non-federal share for quarters during the recession adjustment
 period than the percentage that would have been required by the State on September 2008.

The ARRA and subsequent extension provides for an increase to the FMAP rate for the recession adjustment period of October 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011. The increased FMAP is based on three components consisting of a maintenance of FMAP, a hold harmless provision that maintains the federal fiscal year 2008 rate of 66.20 percent, a general 6.2 percent increase provision and an increased unemployment adjustment provision. The increased unemployment adjustment variable component resulted in AHCCCS qualifying for the tier 2 rate for the December 2008 and March 2009 quarters and the higher tier 3 rate for the June 2009 quarter. AHCCCS continued to be eligible for the tier 3 rate through June 30, 2010 and is guaranteed the higher tier 3 rate through December 31, 2010. The following table shows the projected FMAP and increased rate amounts for the ARRA recession adjustment period:

	Current	Tier	R	ate		
<u>FFY</u>	<u>FMAP</u>	Adj FMAP	Actual	Estimated	Increase	
2009 Q-1&2	65.77%	75.01%	75.01%		9.24%	
2009 Q-3&4	65.77%	75.93%	75.93%		10.16%	
2010	65.75%	75.93%	75.93%		10.18%	
2011 Q-1	65.85%	75.93%		75.93%	10.08%	
2011 Q-2	65.85%	73.10%		73.10%	7.25%	
2011 Q-3	65.85%	71.22%		71.22%	5.37%	

This FMAP increase resulted in a cost shift of approximately \$921.0 million of additional Federal revenue funds and a corresponding reduction in State matching funds for fiscal year 2010.

Funding for disproportionate share hospital (DSH) payments are not eligible for the increased FMAP rate. However, the ARRA provides for a temporary 2.5% increase in the state DSH allotment for fiscal years 2009 and 2010. The federal fiscal year 2010 DSH allotment increase is \$5.04 million.

Governmental Activities

Fiscal year 2010 governmental activities increased the net deficit by \$1.525 million. This increase is primarily related to a \$1.4 million transfer to the State's General Fund from the Intergovernmental Services Fund, which was mandated by legislation due to a statewide budget deficit.

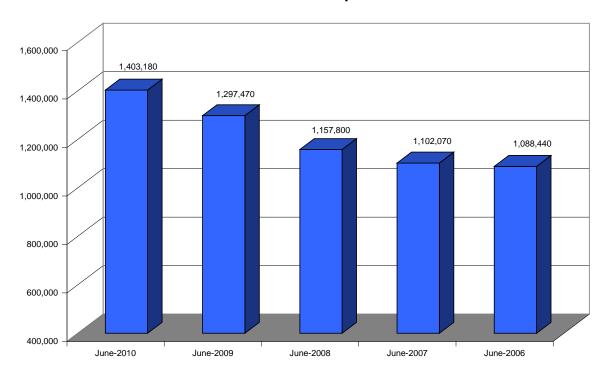
During the second half of state fiscal year 2010, AHCCCS enrollment growth began slowing after experiencing the most significant enrollment growth since the Proposition 204 expansion in calendar years 2001 to 2003. AHCCCS enrollment has grown in 8 out of 12 months with the most significant growth coming in the first 6 months of fiscal year 2010. Enrollment at June 1, 2010 is 1,403,180, an

increase of 105,710 members over June 1, 2009 or 8.1 percent as compared to the 139,670 or 12.1 percent increase during fiscal year 2009. The increase in program expenditures in fiscal year 2010 is primarily attributable to the increase in enrollment. The enrollment growth expenditures increases are partially offset by the continuation of provider rate reductions for certain fee-for-service rates from February 2009 and corresponding capitation rate reductions beginning in May 2009 along with the hospital inpatient and outpatient rates freeze approved by the Legislature at their September 2008 levels.

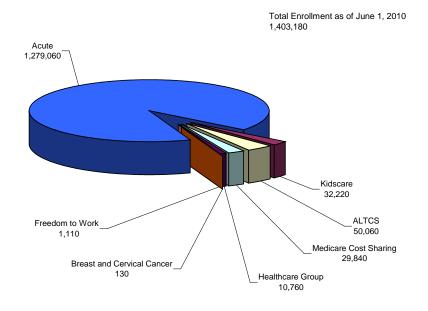
An additional budget reduction action taken due to the statewide budget deficit was the placement of a cap and freeze on the enrollment for the KidsCare program effective January 1, 2010. During the first six months of the cap and freeze, KidsCare enrollment decline by over 15,000 members.

The following charts depict AHCCCS membership growth and enrollment by program for the reporting period:

AHCCCS Membership Growth



AHCCCS Enrollment by Program



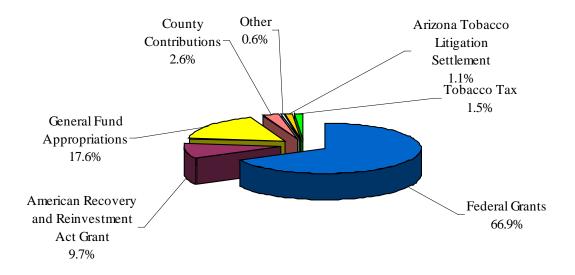
The cost of health care programs, including Title XIX Medicaid and Title XXI CHIP, totaled \$9,491.2 million in fiscal year 2010, a \$725.8 million increase over the \$8,765.4 million reported in fiscal year 2009. As shown in the statement of activities, the amount of expenditures funded from federal grants through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) was \$7,311.2 million (77.0 percent) in fiscal 2010 as compared to \$6,344.8 million (72.4 percent) in fiscal 2009. Program funding in the form of federal financial participation is primarily determined through the FMAP rate used to provide the amount of federal matching for State medical assistance expenditures. The FMAP is based on the relationship between Arizona's per capita personal income and the national average per capita personal income over three calendar years. The FMAP is recalculated each year and was scheduled to decrease by 0.02 percent to 65.75 percent from the prior year's rate of 65.77 percent. However, ARRA, as extended, provides for an increase to the FMAP rate for the recession adjustment period of October 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011. This FMAP increase attributable to ARRA resulted in a cost shift of approximately \$921.0 million of additional Federal revenue funds and a corresponding reduction to state matching funds for fiscal year 2010.

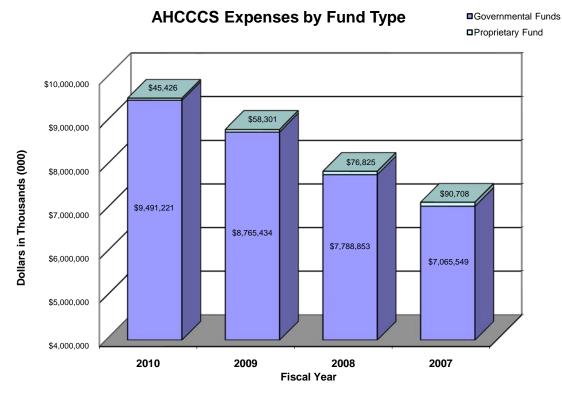
The overall increase in program expenditures can be attributed to the 8.1 percent increase to enrollment excluding the business-type activity program. Unlike prior fiscal years, capitation rate inflation did not contribute to increased program expenditures. Yearly capitation rate increases have averaged 4.9 percent over the last 5 years, with the lowest being a 2.9 percent decrease in fiscal year 2010 and a high of an 8.7 percent increase in fiscal year 2009.

State, county and miscellaneous funding sources combined to provide \$2,220.5 million in State funding sources and appropriations in fiscal year 2010, a \$276.4 million decrease over the \$2,496.9 million reported in fiscal year 2009 primarily related to the federal funding from the ARRA FMAP increase that offset the enrollment increase impact. The following are the components of the State match funding sources. State General Fund revenues raised primarily in the form of income and sales taxes directed to AHCCCS amounted to \$1,122.6 million and an additional \$553.5 million was passed through from other State agencies in order to provide the State's share for Title XIX Medicaid and Title XXI CHIP eligible medical assistance expenditures. Arizona counties contributed \$247.0 million as determined by Statutory funding formulas and Session Law as adjusted by the political subdivision maintenance of contribution ARRA requirement and other intergovernmental agreements. Tax collections on tobacco products provided \$139.1 million in State match funding and continued the year-over-year decrease of \$11.5 million or 7.7 percent compared to the \$18.2 million or 10.8 percent decrease in fiscal year 2009. An additional \$105.4 million in State revenue funding was provided by Arizona's share of Tobacco Litigation Settlement Funds. These revenues are recorded in accordance with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Technical Bulletin No. 2004-1, Tobacco Settlement Recognition and Financial Reporting Entity Issues, which clarifies how payments made to AHCCCS pursuant to the Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) with major tobacco companies are recorded. Payments are based on cigarette and other tobacco product sales from the preceding year. AHCCCS has accrued \$54.1 million for the period January 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010 based on Arizona's Joint Legislative Budget Committee 2010 estimated payment. In addition to the annual payment described above, AHCCCS continues to receive the Strategic Contribution Fund (SCF) payment through April 15 2017. The amounts of the payments are dependent upon several adjustments, the magnitude of which will not be fully known until an independent auditor provides its calculations in February or March of each year. Other factors could also affect the MSA Payment amount that AHCCCS ultimately receives, including default or bankruptcy by one or more tobacco companies and other unforeseen withheld payment amounts. Tribal gaming receipts distributed to AHCCCS as determined by statutory formula and other sources provided an additional \$58.0 million. Hospital emergency departments and level 1 trauma facilities benefited from \$19.0 million in tribal gaming receipts.

The following charts depict revenues by source of the governmental activities for the fiscal year and expenses for the reporting period:

Revenues by Source - Governmental Activities





Business-Type Activities

The sole proprietary fund business-type activity for AHCCCS is the Healthcare Group (HCG). HCG was established in 1988 by the State to administer health care services primarily to small, uninsured businesses with 2 to 50 employees and employees of political subdivisions. HCG contracts with two health plans from the existing network of AHCCCS Health Maintenance Organization (HMOs) health plans to provide managed care medical services. HCG contracted with a third health plan through December 31, 2009. Members in that health plan were allowed to migrate to one of the other two plans on or before that date. In fiscal year 2006, HCG started offering a Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) option (later changed to a Preferred Point of Service (PPOS) product). During fiscal year 2010, membership in the PPOS program became so low that, due to the inherent risk with

having such a small population, the program was terminated on June 30, 2010. Members in that program were allowed to migrate to one of HCG's two health plans.

HCG's administrative responsibilities include enrollment/renewal, fulfillment, premium billing, customer service, collections, fund disbursement and data analysis. HCG also is responsible for regulatory oversight and providing reinsurance to the health plans.

Performance

HCG reported operating income in fiscal year 2010 of \$2.0 million and an increase in net assets of \$1.8 million. This continues a positive turn-around trend that began in fiscal year 2008 when HCG began successfully managing both program and administrative costs through a series of cuts, changes, realignments, and premium adjustments to match revenues with expenses. Effective September 2009, HCG increased HMO premiums by approximately 15.6%. The premium rates were adjusted to fund projected medical and administrative costs and to provide consistent payments to health plans owed reconciliation amounts for prior fiscal years. Fiscal year 2010 is the first year since fiscal year 1998 that HCG reported income from operations without receiving General Fund subsidies to offset current or prior year losses. Additionally, HCG made a cash transfer to the General Fund in the amount of \$365,100. Overall, fiscal year 2010 results decreased HCG's net deficit to \$9.0 million at June 30, 2010 as compared to the \$10.8 million net deficit balance at June 30, 2009.

Reconciliation Liability

In the first two quarters of fiscal year 2009 and in years prior, HCG reconciled the medical costs experienced by the Plans above a contractual target medical loss ratio (stop loss target) that is based on the capitation paid annually to each plan. This stop loss payment is made for the difference in medical losses above the target medical loss ratio. If medical costs exceed capitation, HCG pays the plans from the reconciliation reserves available. At June 30, 2008 the reconciliation liability was \$19.2 million. At June 30, 2009 the reconciliation liability was \$13.4 million.

Reconciliation liabilities carried over from prior fiscal years were reduced by \$1.0 million; with a beginning balance of \$13.4 million and an ending balance of \$12.4 million at June 30, 2010. Since June 30, 2007 when the reconciliation liability was \$22.5 million, HCG has reduced this balance by \$10.1 million using cash generated from operations, General Fund subsidies, and reinsurance and other adjustments.

The following table summarizes reconciliation liability activity for fiscal year 2010:

Healthcare Group Reconciliation Liability as of June 30, 2010 Fiscal Year 2010 Activity

(in thousands of dollars)

	 FY 07	 FY 08		FY 09	 Total
Balance June 30, 2009	\$ 9,583	\$ 3,822	\$	-	\$ 13,405
Payments made Accruals and adjustments	(680) (220)	(65) (58)		-	(745) (278)
Balance June 30, 2010	\$ 8,683	\$ 3,699	\$	-	\$ 12,382

Commencing in September 2009 and going forward, the remaining reconciliation liability will be paid by allocating 2% or more of medical premium revenues for a reconciliation reserve. Additionally, payments may be generated from residual earnings and from any future State subsidies: however, there was no General Fund subsidy in fiscal year 2010, there can be no assurance that future General Fund subsidies will be provided in the future to fund prior year losses.

Effective January 1, 2009, HCG's health plans agreed, in contract, that no future reconciliation costs will be recognized by HCG except for adjustments to the existing reconciliation for services rendered through December 31, 2008. HCG contractors are now being compensated for attaining Nationally Recognized Utilization Management Standards, as mandated by Laws 2008, Chapter 288. The performance standards are developed by Milliman Inc., customized to each health plans unique member population and further stratified by the level of medical management such as well managed, moderately managed, and loosely managed. The compensation amount will be no more than 6% of total premium collected. After the end of the fourth quarter, if the contractors perform well, each will receive a payment. If a health plan performs poorly, it will forfeit the reserved amount and HCG will retain the amount and apply it to any existing liabilities. As of June 30, 2010, all potential compensation for the Health Plan Utilization Management Standards has been distributed, except for \$70,267 which is being held in reserve and is included in the \$12.450 million Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) programmatic cost accrual amount.

Enrollment

In fiscal year 2008, HCG was required to adhere to a temporary enrollment freeze. Laws 2007 Chapter 263 placed a temporary enrollment limit and an enrollment freeze on HCG effective September 19, 2007, not allowing the enrollment of any additional employer groups. The freeze ended on July 31, 2008; however, Chapter 288 placed additional limitations on enrollment by prohibiting enrollment of any new business groups with only 'one' employee. Additionally, as small businesses in Arizona continue to endure the poor economy, many HCG groups look for ways to reduce their costs by declining further coverage, reducing staff, and/or closing their business altogether. Membership has declined in each fiscal year since 2008.

The table below shows the year to year changes for June 2009 and 2010.

Year to Year Enrollment Change										
Group Size	2009 vs 2008	% Change	2010 vs 2009	% Change						
1	(1,910)	(34)%	(1,208)	(33)%						
2 +	<u>(476</u>)	(22)%	<u>(259</u>)	(15)%						
Total	(2,386)	(31)%	(1,467)	(27)%						

By the end of fiscal year 2010, HCG's group enrollment had declined approximately 27% from the prior year, yet due to the rate increase in September 2008, premium revenues declined by only 21%. Average total revenue per member per month in August 2009 was \$292; in September 2009, it was \$334. This per member per month revenue increase was essential in keeping HCG from experiencing a net loss for the year.

Subsequent to June 30, 2009, HCG determined that due to certain error on part of the PPOS Third Party Administrator (TPA), approximately \$996,000 was owed to providers for services provided in fiscal 2009 and prior, which had occurred as of June 30, 2009 In fiscal year 2010, an additional \$34,206 of claims were expensed above the \$996,000 expensed in the prior fiscal year. HCG estimated that additional expenses in fiscal year 2011 will be insignificant. HCG management and the former TPA came to an agreement that the TPA would pay \$70,000 up front and \$15,455 each month for 44 consecutive months commencing March 2010 in order to partially reimburse HCG for the loss. To date, HCG has received the specified monthly payments in a timely manner, however, due to the uncertainty of sustained payments, no receivable has been recorded in the financial statements.

Going Concern Matters

Even though HCG posted operating income in fiscal years 2008, 2009 and 2010, and management currently projects that the positive trend will continue, \$9.0 million remained as a net deficit at June 30, 2010 due to the outstanding reconciliation liability owed to the HMOs for prior fiscal years. It is not anticipated in the near future that operations will generate sufficient cash flow to entirely pay off the remaining deficit.

Should HCG be required to accelerate payments for prior year reconciliation liabilities before HCG has sufficient funds to provide such payments and new terms are not negotiated and the Legislature does not provide HCG with additional subsidies to make those accelerated payments, it raises substantial doubt about HCG's ability to remain as a going concern. However, until the aforementioned events present themselves, HCG plans to continue operations and to continue to pay down the outstanding liability. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming that HCG will continue as a going concern.

Financial Analysis of AHCCCS' Governmental Funds

Governmental Funds

At the end of fiscal year 2010, AHCCCS' governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances totaling \$225,000, a decrease of \$460,000 from the prior year.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the AHCCCS Acute Care, KidsCare, KidsCare Parents program (that was terminated as of October 1, 2009), Breast & Cervical Cancer, Freedom-to-Work and Long-Term Care programs. These programs primarily utilize a State general fund appropriation and revenue sources from the annual tobacco litigation settlement proceeds, taxes on tobacco products, contributions from Arizona counties and certified public expenditure methodologies to provide the required state matching funds for federal Title XIX and Title XXI revenue.

The Other Governmental Funds consist of eight individual funds that have a combined total fund balance of \$225,000 available to meet future year obligations. The Other Governmental Fund's fiscal year 2010 unrestricted balance consists of miscellaneous funds in the amount of \$225,000. Revenue from taxes on cigarettes and other related tobacco products declined 7.3 percent over fiscal year 2009 and generated \$96.9 million for the current year compared to \$104.5 million in fiscal year 2009. Total tobacco tax collections account for 74.6 percent of the total Other Governmental Funds revenues in fiscal year 2010 compared to 73.4 percent of the total Other Governmental Funds revenues in fiscal year 2009.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Differences totaling \$83.8 million occurred between the original and the final amended administrative and programmatic expenditure budgets. A net \$83.8 million supplemental appropriation was provided for the AHCCCS program in fiscal year 2010 that included a \$85.2 program increase and a \$1.4 million reduction to administrative line items. The primary causes of the supplemental adjustments were significant enrollment growth to the Proposition 204 eligibility categories, and reduced tobacco tax revenue. These items were partially offset by the January 1, 2010 cap and freeze to enrollment of the KidsCare program. Additional budget adjustments related to the ARRA increased federal expenditure authority with a corresponding General Fund reduction for the inclusion of the ARRA Increased FMAP funds in the Medicare Part D clawback savings calculation, the elimination of the graduate medical education funding and the significant reduction to the private hospital DSH funding. Other differences relate to special line item adjustments that utilized surpluses from a line item to offset shortfalls in another line item. These appropriation transfers are approved by the Governor's Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting and are in accordance with legislative

authority. The major special line item supplemental increases and revisions are briefly summarized as follows:

- \$123.2 million increase to the combined Acute Care and Proposition 204 Fee-for-Service Special Line Items comprised of a \$51.0 million supplemental and \$72.2 million in Special Line Item appropriation transfers
- \$94.9 million increase to the combined Acute Care Base and Proposition 204 Reinsurance Special Line Items primarily comprised of a \$90.1 million in Special Line Item appropriation transfers
- \$65.9 million combined decrease to the GME and DSH hospital payments Special Line Items
- \$47.3 million decrease to the KidsCare CHIP program related to the January 1, 2010 enrollment cap and freeze
- \$19.0 million decrease to Acute Care Base Capitation consisting of a \$21.8 million supplemental and a \$40.8 million Special Line Item appropriation transfers to other line items

At June 30, 2010, actual cash basis appropriated program expenditures were \$177.6 million less than budgetary estimates with a \$56.2 million General Fund surplus that, as authorized by State statute, may be used for administrative adjustments for qualifying expenditures during fiscal year 2011.

Capital Asset Administration

AHCCCS' investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2010 amounts to \$1.028 million, net of accumulated depreciation. This investment in capital assets includes furniture, vehicles, equipment and internally generated software for projects started after June 30, 2009. Land, buildings and improvements are under the management of the State and are accounted for on the State's comprehensive annual financial report. Normal automated systems equipment replacement purchases were held to a minimum in fiscal year 2010 due to the State's budgetary position. The decrease in AHCCCS' investment in tangible assets of vehicles, furniture and equipment of \$433,000, or 34.9 percent in the current fiscal year, is primarily normal depreciation and retirements and also includes a \$74,000, or 7.4 percent of net asset value, of IT equipment transferred to not-for-profit entities for the purpose of assisting the State's efforts to develop a statewide electronic health records exchange.

AHCCCS Capital Assets (net of depreciation, in thousands of dollars)

	 Governmental Activities			Business-Type <u>Activities</u>					Total			
	 2010		2009	2010		2009		2010		2009		
Vehicles Furniture and equipment Software under	\$ 286 498	\$	505 690	\$	7 17	\$	15 30	\$	293 515	\$	520 720	
development Total net assets	\$ 220 1,004	\$	- 1,195	\$	<u>-</u> 24	\$	<u>-</u> 45	\$	220 1,028	\$ ^	- 1,240	

Additional information on AHCCCS' capital assets can be found in Note 2 to the accompanying financial statements on page 36.

Contingent Liabilities

In January 2001, AHCCCS obtained a Section 1115 Waiver ("Waiver") from CMS to receive federal funding for certain non-categorically linked populations including those made eligible by the November 2000 passage of Proposition 204. The original Waiver period (April 1, 2001 through

September 30, 2006) has been extended to September 30, 2011 and requires that the population covered by the Waiver be budget neutral for CMS over the term of the agreement. Budget neutral means that CMS will not pay more for medical services with the Waiver than it would have without the Waiver. The Waiver Special Terms and Conditions (STC) include a monitoring arrangement that requires AHCCCS to report the demonstration year's financial results on a quarterly basis. It also established a diminishing annual threshold of the amount that AHCCCS is able to exceed the calculated cumulative Budget Neutrality limit on an interim basis before being required to submit a corrective action plan. The STC reporting limit thresholds are monitored on a Federal Fiscal Year basis. The STC limit threshold for the first eight limit periods (April 1, 2001 through September 30, 2009) is 0.50 percent with the ninth limit period (October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010) at .25 percent. The threshold for the tenth limit period (October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011) is zero percent. As of June 30, 2010, reported date of service expenditures associated with the eight periods ended September 30, 2009 are below the limit by \$177.0 million, or 0.61 percent. Through June 30, 2010, AHCCCS remains under the cumulative reporting limit threshold. The budget neutrality calculation is dependent on a number of variables including the number of members, the eligibility category of members and the general economy and its impact on unemployment, medical inflation and policy decisions made by the Legislature that may impact program costs. However, the eligibility maintenance of effort provisions of the Federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) significantly reduce legislative decisions that may impact the Medicaid program's enrollment size and costs. Given the uncertainty surrounding these factors, AHCCCS is not presently able to determine if the budget neutrality limit will be exceeded, or if it is exceeded, that CMS will require repayment of the excess. Management is projecting that as of June 30, 2010, AHCCCS does not have any liability to CMS related to the budget neutrality agreement. Accordingly, the accompanying basic financial statements have not been adjusted for the impact of any liability AHCCCS may have related to the Waiver budget neutrality agreement.

In December 2006, the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General, Office of Audit Services (OIG) commenced an audit of the Direct Service Claiming (DSC) program. The OIG requested that AHCCCS provide the OIG with all DSC claims data for the period from January 2004 through June 2006. The data represented over 9.5 million claim lines and \$124 million dollars of federal funds paid to the Local Education Authorities (LEAs) statewide under the DSC program.

From the data AHCCCS provided, the OIG sampled 100 students "members months" (where one student member month is all claims for one student for one month) and commenced their review. There were approximately 175 contracted LEAs during the timeframe of the audit. The 100 student months of records that were sampled represented 44 of the 175 LEAs statewide. The audit represented a total of 2,000 claims under review.

The OIG conducted on-site audits at fifteen LEAs which represented 49 of the 100 student (member) months. The OIG performed desk reviews on the remainder of the LEAs. The total federal dollars paid to the LEAs for these claims totaled approximately \$32,000.

In March 2010, the OIG provided AHCCCS with the audit report and related findings which focused primarily on: services not provided or service units over billed; documentation requirements not met; speech therapy provider requirements not met; unallowable transportation services; prescribing or referring provider requirements not met; and student eligibility not met. The highest frequency of errors occurred in services not provided or service units over billed, documentation requirements not met, and speech therapy provider requirements not met.

Out of the \$32,000 in federal dollars paid to the LEAs for the selected claims, the OIG identified an overpayment of approximately \$6,800 which represents an error rate of approximately 21%. The OIG has extrapolated the error rate and the audit report recommends that CMS recoup approximately \$21 million of program costs previously passed through to the LEAs under the DSC program. AHCCCS conducted a review and validation of the data set supporting the OIG findings and responded to CMS regarding the final OIG audit report and extrapolated finding amount on

September 21, 2010. AHCCCS disagrees with the audit report and disputes \$3,987 or 59 percent of the identified overpayment amount of \$6,764. Additionally, AHCCCS disagrees with the method used by the OIG to extrapolate the sample findings and engaged the services of statistical experts. The results of the expert's review identified that the sample size was too small to meet both standard statistical confidence levels and standard desired levels of precision and that the sample size was anywhere from 16 to over 90 times too small to make conclusive extrapolations.

Internal counsel has indicated that it is reasonably possible that some additional amount will be disallowed and recouped by CMS. However, AHCCCS cannot at this preliminary stage reasonably estimate an amount, and no repayment liability for the disputed extrapolated amount has been recorded in the financial statements as of June 30, 2010.

The School Based Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC), administered through a third party administrator (TPA), allows federal funding to pass through to the LEAs for certain administrative activities. In March 2006, the contractor began a review of the claim calculation for the period from January 2004 through September 2007 as a result of findings from an OIG audit in another state that questioned methods used in the claim calculation methodology. The recommendations of the TPA were initially adopted prospectively and resulted in a more conservative calculation of the MAC amounts. Subsequently, an assessment of the impact of the claim calculation changes concluded that there is an inability to accurately recalculate the MAC amounts retroactively. The maximum impact of the retroactive claim calculations is approximately \$7 million and CMS indicates that the OIG will review the MAC claims in question to reasonably calculate the overpayments.

In August 2008, the TPA identified that the prospective implementation failed to include all of the recommendations having a direct impact on the claims paid from December 2005 through December 2007. AHCCCS has requested that the TPA either return the approximate \$2.3 million maximum overpayment or recalculate what the payments should have been and return the resulting overpayment.

CMS has instructed AHCCCS to refund the \$9.3 million in overpayments. The refund will be requested from the LEAs or deducted from future payments in accordance with the intergovernmental agreement. The amount due from the LEAs may be reduced by any recovery from the TPA as identified above unless an appropriation from the Legislature is obtained by the LEAs. The recoupment liability of \$9.3 million is included in the due to the federal government with a corresponding receivable in the due from the state and local governments of \$9.3 million in the accompanying basic financial statements.

In February 2010, the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General, Office of Audit Services (OIG) commenced an audit of the buy-in of Medicare Part B premiums. The OIG audit period covered Part B premiums paid by the State and claimed for Federal reimbursement for the quarters ended December 31, 2007, through September 30, 2009. Based on their preliminary findings, CMS also reviewed the Medicare Part B eligibility categories and Federal claiming for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Although neither OIG or CMS has formally issued a report, the preliminary determination by CMS is that AHCCCS has not complied with Federal requirements and issued a grant award deferral letter for January 21, 2011 for certain claimed amounts.

AHCCCS bases Federal claiming on two separate State Medicaid Directors Letters where CMS has stated that, at the State's option, FFP is available for the cost of Part B premiums for the eligibility category in question. The questioned category is individuals eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare, but whose income exceeds 100% of the FPL and is covered as a State option. Internal counsel has indicated that it is possible that some amount may be disallowed and recouped by CMS. However, AHCCCS cannot, at this preliminary stage, reasonably estimate an amount and no repayment liability has been recorded as of June 30, 2010.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

During the final six months of fiscal year 2010, AHCCCS enrollment growth began to slow following the most significant period of enrollment increase since the Proposition 204 expansion in calendar years 2001 to 2003. From February 2007 to December 2009, AHCCCS enrollment increased in 31 out of 34 months for a total increase of 342,500 members or an increase of 33.4 percent. The total enrollment decreased by 14,239 from December 2009 to August 2010 primarily driven by the January 1, 2010 enrollment cap and freeze in the KidsCare program and decreases to the Federal Emergency Services (FES) undocumented population. Excluding the KidsCare and FES populations, the Title XIX full services membership populations increased by 31,700 or 2.6 percent from December 2009 to August 2010. Although most recent economic forecasts believe that the national recovery has begun, most agree that Arizona's recovery will lag behind the rest of the nation due to the real estate market issues and other challenges. Additionally, the impact of the passage of the PPACA to population growth prior to its implementation in January 2014 remains unclear. Given these factors, AHCCCS is projecting that population growth rates will be closer to historical levels of under 5 percent per annum. Additionally, the PPACA comes with conditions that include restrictions on changing eligibility standards. The eligibility standard requirement directly impacted enrollment growth for the childless adults group as a legislative change to the frequency of eligibility redeterminations from a 12-month to a 6-month period had to be reversed in order to be ARRA eligible.

Legislation was passed to freeze hospital rates at the current levels and allow for up to 5% rate reductions for other services. For contract year 2011, the Acute Care capitation rates assume (pending approval by CMS) a 2.96 percent decrease. The contract year 2011 Arizona Long Term Care System (ALTCS) capitation rates assume (pending approval by CMS) a 2.28 percent decrease. These rate decreases do not include implementation of any additional provider rate reductions; however, AHCCCS is considering, as a budget reduction option, implementation of provider rate cuts of up to 5 percent effective April 1, 2011.

For the third consecutive year in a row hospital rates have not been either increased or decreased. Due to the reductions and freezes in reimbursement rates to health plans, hospitals, and other providers made during the past years and in recognition that the program must increase capitation rates to reflect changes in medical utilization, absent changes in benefit levels, the fiscal year 2012 budget request includes rate increases of 3.5 percent across the board for both prior and prospective payments for contract year 2012 and an ALTCS rate increases of 1.5 percent for contract year 2012. The projected increases assume statutory inflation increases continue; however, the rate increases could be lowered by 1.5 to 2.0 percent if the statutory increases are eliminated.

Legislation in fiscal year 2010 required that AHCCCS suspend \$344.3 million of June 2010 monthly capitation payments until July 2010. The suspension continues during fiscal year 2011 so that only 12 payments are funded for the year. The AHCCCS budget request for fiscal year 2012 continues the payment deferral funding strategy and assumes only 12 payments, which requires a fiscal year 2013 deferred payment with interest. Additionally, enacted legislation directed AHCCCS to eliminate various medical and health services for adults of which most notable are elimination of adult organ transplants.

AHCCCS continues to review the Medicaid provisions of the PPACA of 2010 to evaluate impacts and responsibilities under the new federal healthcare plan. The most significant impacts are the Managed Care Drug Rebates and staff for information technology (IT) changes. The drug rebates previously applied to fee-for-service payments have been expanded to drugs purchased through Managed Care Organizations with the rebate shared at predefined rates between the states and the federal government. Currently, AHCCCS spends approximately \$500 million on prescription drugs and projects the state's rebate share to be between \$23.6 million and \$17.3 million. The IT impact component is the transformation from paper to electronic patient health records and the additional staff required to build and maintain the necessary infrastructure. AHCCCS has received CMS approval for 90 percent enhanced federal funding for the planning stages and expects to also receive the enhanced 90 percent match rate for the implementation phases.

AHCCCS' budget request for fiscal year 2012, submitted to the Governor in September 2010 included a \$783.5 million General Fund increase with \$651.4 million directly related to the conclusion of the ARRA increased FMAP rate. The General Fund increase coupled with the overall declining state revenues will be a primary issue for the Legislature when it convenes in January 2011. The AHCCCS' budget request also included a rebase of the fiscal year 2011 budget. The revised projection indicates AHCCCS is currently forecasting a fiscal year 2011 total fund surplus of \$199.1 million (\$37 million General Fund shortfall). The General Fund shortfall is primarily due to the lower ARRA increased FMAP rate passed by Congress during the six month extension period. The total projected Medicaid General Fund shortfall due to the lower increased FMAP, including the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) and the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES), is \$79 million. AHCCCS has a plan to address this projected Medicaid shortfall including utilizing \$56 million in fiscal year 2010 reversions, relying on \$18 million in contract year end 2009 projected health plan contractual reconciliation recoupments, and generating a minimum of \$5 million in capitation rate savings with the implementation of April 1, 2011 rate reductions. This plan may require legislation to realign a portion of the General Fund savings from AHCCCS to ADHS and ADES. Although the plan does not anticipate a required supplemental appropriation for fiscal year 2011, other factors that may influence the need for or amount of a supplemental appropriation include enrollment trends greater than appropriated and tobacco revenue collections lower than projected. Management is closely monitoring these trends and the adequacy of fiscal year appropriations.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of AHCCCS' finances for the State's citizens and taxpayers, and its members, providers and creditors. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, Division of Business and Finance, Attention: Finance Administrator, MD 5400, 701 East Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona 85034.





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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Director of the

ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM (AHCCCS, an agency of the state of Arizona)

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of AHCCCS at and for the year ended June 30, 2010, as shown on pages 21 through 29. These financial statements are the responsibility of AHCCCS' management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of AHCCCS are intended to present the financial position, the changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, of only that portion of the governmental activities, the business-type activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the state of Arizona that are attributable to the transactions of AHCCCS. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the state of Arizona at June 30, 2010, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of AHCCCS at June 30, 2010, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming that Healthcare Group, AHCCCS' business-type activity, will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 6 to the financial statements, Healthcare Group's significant operating losses in the past years and significant net deficit raise substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of asset carrying amounts or the amount and classification of liabilities that might result should Healthcare Group be unable to continue as a going concern.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated January 27, 2011 on our consideration of AHCCCS' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The accompanying management's discussion and analysis on pages 1 through 18 and the budgetary comparison information on page 26 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise AHCCCS' basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. This schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of AHCCCS and the state of Arizona Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Mayer Hoffman Mc Can P.C.

Phoenix, Arizona January 27, 2011



STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)

June 30, 2010 (amounts expressed in thousands)

ASSETS

ASSETS					
	Governmental				
	A	ctivities	A	ctivities	 Total
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash	\$	55,505	\$	9,154	\$ 64,659
Restricted cash		49,827		-	49,827
Due from state and local governments		113,301		-	113,301
Due from the federal government		689,624		-	689,624
Tobacco settlement receivable		54,106		-	54,106
Receivables and other		10,857			10,857
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		973,220		9,154	 982,374
Hospital residency program loans		800		-	800
Furniture, vehicles and equipment, net		4.004		0.4	4 000
of accumulated depreciation		1,004		24	 1,028
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS		1,804		24	 1,828
TOTAL ASSETS		975,024		9,178	 984,202
<u>LIABILITIES</u>					
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable		6,136		71	6,207
Other accrued liabilities		3,951		94	4,045
Bank overdraft		766		-	766
Deferred revenue		20,288		5,062	25,350
Due to federal, state and county governments		154,922		-	154,922
Accrued programmatic costs		783,395		407	783,802
Compensated absences		3,346		104	 3,450
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		972,804		5,738	 978,542
ACCRUED PROGRAMMATIC COSTS, less current portion		-		12,450	12,450
TOTAL LIABILITIES		972,804		18,188	 990,992
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES					
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)					
INVESTED IN CAPITAL ASSETS		1,004		24	1,028
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)		1,216		(9,034)	 (7,818)
TOTAL NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)	\$	2,220	\$	(9,010)	\$ (6,790)

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2010 (amounts expressed in thousands)

			Program Revenues						Expense) Reven anges in Net As				
						Federal	Othe	er Operating	3				
		Program Expenses		arges for ervices	(Operating Grants		rants and ntributions	Go	overnmental Activities	Business-type Activities		Total
PROGRAMS										_			_
Government activities:													
Health care programs	\$	9,491,221	\$	10,506	\$	7,311,201	\$	394,687	\$	(1,774,824)	\$ -	\$	(1,774,824)
Business-type activities:													
Healthcare Group		45,426		47,487		-		-			2,061		2,061
TOTAL PROGRAMS	\$	9,536,647	\$	57,993	\$	7,311,201	\$	394,687	_	(1,774,824)	2,061		(1,772,763)
	0												
	Ge	eneral revenu		.no						1,676,132			1 676 122
		State appro		ons						1,676,132	-		1,676,132 139,061
		Unrestricted	-	stment earn	ings					118	83		201
					Ū					1,815,311	83		1,815,394
	Tra	ansfers:											
		Transfers o	ut							(42,012)	(365)		(42,377)
		Total ge	neral	revenues a	nd tr	ansfers				1,773,299	(282)	_	1,773,017
CHANGE IN NE				IN NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)						(1,525)	1,779		254
	NIT				•	,				, ,			(7.044)
	INE	ET ASSETS (DEFI	JII), DEGIN	MIMIN	IG OF TEAR				3,745	(10,789)	_	(7,044)
		NET AS	SETS	(DEFICIT)	, EN	D OF YEAR			\$	2,220	\$ (9,010)	\$	(6,790)

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

June 30, 2010 (amounts expressed in thousands)

	General Fund			Other vernmental Funds		Total vernmental Funds
ASSETS		10.4.1.4.14				
Cash	\$	46,245	\$	9,260	\$	55,505
Restricted cash	Ψ	48,566	Ψ	1,261	Ψ	49,827
Due from state and local governments		79,939		11,272		91,211
Due from the federal government		347,875				347,875
Due from other funds		8,577		_		8,577
Receivables and other		10,857		-		10,857
			_		_	
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	542,059	\$	21,793	\$	563,852
LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable	\$	5,866	\$	270	\$	6,136
Other accrued liabilities		3,776		175		3,951
Bank overdraft		766		-		766
Deferred revenue		19,334		954		20,288
Due to federal, state and county governments		154,450		472		154,922
Due to other funds		-		8,577		8,577
Accrued programmatic costs		357,867		11,120		368,987
TOTAL LIABILITIES		542,059		21,568		563,627
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES						
FUND BALANCES						
Unreserved		-		225		225
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		-		225		225
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	542,059	\$	21,793		
	want haa					
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are diffe	erent bec	ause:				
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, the	erefore,	are not report	ed in tl	ne funds.		1,004
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation depreciation \$641 exceeded capital outlays (\$450) in the current fiscal year.						191
Long-term liabilities for accrued paid time off are not due and payable in the reported in the funds.	current fis	scal year and	, there	efore, are not		(3,346)
Long-term receivables, offsetting the above accrued paid time off liability, which year and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	ch are no	ot receivable	n the	current fiscal		3,346
Long-term accrued liabilities for programmatic costs are not due and payable therefore are not reported in the funds.	le from	current financ	cial re	sources and,		(414,408)
Long-term receivables, offsetting the above accrued programmatic liability, which fiscal year and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	ch is not o	due and recei	vable	in the current		414,408
Long-term receivables, for the Hospital Residency Loan program are not due ar therefore are not reported in the funds.	nd receiva	able in the cui	rent fi	scal year and		800
NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES					\$	2,220

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Year Ended June 30, 2010 (amounts expressed in thousands)

		Other Governmental	Total Governmental
REVENUES	General Fund	Funds	Funds
State government: Appropriations Pass through funds Federal government:	\$ 1,166,543 553,511	\$ - -	\$ 1,166,543 553,511
Federal government: Acute care	4,500,156	4,273	4,504,429
Long-term care Pass through funds	948,703 1,776,606	- 59	948,703 1,776,665
County government:	1,770,000	33	1,770,003
Acute care	38,071	-	38,071
Long-term care	188,211	-	188,211
Pass through funds	20,761	-	20,761
Tobacco litigation settlement revenue Tobacco tax revenue	105,394 42,195	96,866	105,394 139,061
Gaming revenue	-	18,968	18,968
Intergovernmental agreement revenue	-	7,411	7,411
Premium revenue	10,506	-	10,506
Other TOTAL REVENUES	18,777 9,369,434	2,246 129,823	21,023 9,499,257
PROGRAMMATIC EXPENDITURES Capitation:			
Acute care	4,222,582	50,404	4,272,986
Long-term care	1,940,629	-	1,940,629
Children's rehabilitative services	104,288	-	104,288
Mental health services	1,309,629	-	1,309,629
Fee-for-service: Acute care	847,605	_	847,605
Long-term care	119,705	-	119,705
Trauma center services	-	19,016	19,016
Disproportionate share	23,446	-	23,446
Graduate medical education Reinsurance Medicare:	116,901 297,627	-	116,901 297,627
Acute care premiums	134,679	8,393	143,072
Long-term care premiums	35,543	-	35,543
Part D clawback payments	45,440 4,826	-	45,440 4,826
Payments to counties TOTAL PROGRAMMATIC EXPENDITURES	9,202,900	77,813	9,280,713
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES	158,433	11,742	170,175
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES PASSED THROUGH	6,858	59	6,917
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	9,368,191	89,614	9,457,805
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	1,243	40,209	41,452
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers out:		4	/··
To State General Fund To AHCCCS General Fund	-	(2,699) (1,751)	(2,699) (1,751)
To Arizona Department of Economic Security	(2,994)	(1,731)	(2,994)
To Arizona Department of Health Services	-	(36,325)	(36,325)
Transfers in: From Arizona Department of Economic Security	_	6	6
From AHCCCS Other Fund	- 1,751	-	1,751
	1,751	-	
Repayments under the hospital residency loan program	-	100	100
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(1,243)	(40,669)	(41,912)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(460)	(460)
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR		685	685
FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ 225	\$ 225

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2010 (amounts expressed in thousands)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (page 21) are different because:

(460)Net change in fund balance - total governmental funds (page 23) Repayment of loaned fund under the Hospital Residency Loan Program provide current financial resources of governmental funds This amount represents the loan repayments received in the current fiscal year and is recorded as a current financial (100)resource in the governmental funds. Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Due to its pass through nature, AHCCCS accrues revenue sufficient to eliminate its deficit fund balance and, therefore, this is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays in the prior period. (965)Change in net assets of governmental activities (page 21) \$ (1,525)

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND

Year Ended June 30, 2010 (Unaudited) (amounts expressed in thousands)

	Original Appropriation (Budget)	Final Appropriation (Budget)	Actual	Variance with Final Budget
REVENUES				
State appropriations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,230,106	\$ -
State pass-through funds	· -	· -	649,333	-
Federal government	-	-	5,643,073	-
Federal pass-through funds	-	-	1,497,659	-
County government	-	-	190,293	-
County pass-through funds	-	-	13,706	-
Tobacco tax revenue	-	-	42,126	-
Tobacco litigation settlement	-	-	105,406	-
Other	-	-	11,034	-
Total revenues	-	-	9,382,736	-
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			0.055	
Operating transfers in			8,055	
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER				
FINANCING SOURCES			9,390,791	
PROGRAMMATIC EXPENDITURES				
Acute capitation	2,176,394	2,157,378	2,155,227	2,151
Acute reinsurance	129,622	198,594	163,107	35,487
Acute fee-for-service	521,073	577,161	549,135	28,026
Proposition 204 capitation	1,962,615	1,978,073	1,959,084	18,989
Proposition 204 reinsurance	87,602	113,525	87,160	26,365
Proposition 204 fee-for-service	229,802	296,892	275,863	21,029
Proposition 204 Medicare premiums	25,012	26,761	26,473	288
Medicare premiums	104,550	107,978	107,750	228
Graduate medical education	42,075	-	-	-
Disproportionate share	30,350	4,724	-	4,724
Rural hospital reimbursement	11,048	10,921	-	10,921
Breast and cervical cancer	1,699	1,519	929	590
Critical access hospitals	1,700	1,700	850	850
Freedom to work	6,944	6,738	6,200	538
Medicare clawback payments	31,926	20,966	20,966	-
County hold harmless	4,826	4,826	4,826	-
Long-term care	1,266,710	1,266,605	1,240,515	26,090
ALTCS clawback	22,956	15,077	15,077	-
LTC board of nursing	210	210	210	-
CHIP - Services	133,434	86,146	85,410	736
CHIP - Parents	6,968	6,967	6,385	582
TOTAL PROGRAMMATIC EXPENDITURES	6,797,516	6,882,761	6,705,167	177,594
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES	186,708	185,270	155,040	30,230
TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES	6,984,224	7,068,031	6,860,207	207,824
PRIOR YEAR APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES	-	-	81,090	-
NON-APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES			2,448,980	
REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES	-	-	514	-
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR			88,678	
FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89,192	\$ -

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) - PROPRIETARY FUND

June 30, 2010 (amounts expressed in thousands)

ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS Cash	\$	9,154
CAPITAL ASSETS Furniture, vehicles and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation		24
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	9,178
LIABILITIES CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts payable	\$	71
Other accrued liabilities Deferred revenue - premiums Accrued programmatic costs	Ψ	94 5,062 407
Compensated absences due within one year TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	_	5,738
ACCRUED PROGRAMMATIC COST, less current portion above		12,450
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$</u>	18,188
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) INVESTED IN CAPITAL ASSETS UNRESTRICTED (DEFICIT)	\$	24 (9,034)
TOTAL NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)	<u>\$</u>	(9,010)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) -

PROPRIETARY FUND

Year Ended June 30, 2010 (amounts expressed in thousands)

OPERATING REVENUES	
Premium revenue	\$ 47,522
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Premiums paid to health plans	38,269
Reinsurance	2,371
Other programmatic	1,940
Salaries and employee benefits	2,138
Professional and outside services	371
Other	444
Depreciation	 21
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	 45,554
OPERATING INCOME	 1,968
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Investment income	83
Other income	128
Other loss	(35)
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INCOME BEFORE TRANSFERS	 2,144
TRANSFERS OUT	
To State General Fund	 (365)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	1,779
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NET ASSETS (DEFICIT), BEGINNING OF YEAR	 (10,789)
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT), END OF YEAR	\$ (9,010)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUND

Year Ended June 30, 2010 (amounts expressed in thousands)

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Receipts from customers	\$ 46,548
Payments to health plans	(42,414)
Payments to providers	(1,724)
Payments to employees	(2,156)
Payments to suppliers	 (1,591)
Net cash used by operating activities	 (1,337)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Transfer to State General Fund	 (365)
Net cash used by non-capital financing activities	 (365)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Purchases of property and equipment	(2)
Settlement income	128
Other loss	(1,029)
Investment income	83
Net cash used by investing activities	(820)
NET CHANGE IN CASH	(2,522)
CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR	 11,676
CASH, END OF YEAR	\$ 9,154
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH	
USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Operating income	\$ 1,968
Adjustment to reconcile operating income to net cash	
provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	21
Changes in operating net assets and liabilities: Decrease in accounts receivables and other	257
Decrease in accounts receivables and other accrued liabilities	257 (1,034)
Decrease in deferred revenue - premiums	(1,034)
Decrease in accrued programmatic costs	(1,557)
Decrease in accrued compensated absences	 (1,007)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ (1,337)

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(1) Description of reporting entity and summary of significant accounting policies

A. Reporting entity

The accounting policies of the **Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System** ("AHCCCS" or the "Agency") conform to the U.S. generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental units. The financial statements of AHCCCS, as a department of the State of Arizona ("State") are not intended to represent the related financial statement information of the primary government.

The Arizona Legislature ("Legislature") established AHCCCS in November 1981 to administer health care for the State's indigent population. AHCCCS is a State agency managed by an independent cabinet level administration created by the Legislature and is funded by a combination of federal, State and county funds. The federal portion is funded through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS") of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under a Section 1115 Waiver ("Waiver") approved by CMS, which exempts the AHCCCS program from certain requirements of conventional Medicaid programs. Approval of the Waiver, by CMS, extends through September 30, 2011. AHCCCS receives quarterly federal grants from CMS (as matching funds) to cover a portion of the health care costs of the residents of the State eligible for the Title XIX Medicaid program and Title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program ("CHIP"). State appropriations and county funding levels are based on annual budgets as dictated by the Legislature and specified by Arizona Statutory funding formula and Session Law.

AHCCCS provides acute and long-term health care coverage to eligible residents of Arizona. Eligible residents include those who qualify under Section 1931(b) of the Social Security Act, individuals who are aged, blind or disabled, children who meet certain age requirements from families receiving food stamps, children and pregnant women whose household income meets eligibility requirements, certain single adults, childless couples, parents of CHIP and Medicaid children under the Health Insurance Flexibility and Accountability Demonstration initiative, uninsured women needing active treatment for breast and/or cervical cancer and individuals with disabilities who want to work and who meet certain SSI eligibility criteria.

Under AHCCCS, health care coverage is provided substantially through a competitive bidding process with private and county-sponsored health plans bidding for the enrollment of AHCCCS eligibles by geographical service area. In addition, AHCCCS purchases health care services directly from providers.

AHCCCS also has the Healthcare Group line of business, which provides medical coverage primarily to small businesses. The activities of Healthcare Group are included in the proprietary fund. See Notes 5 and 6 for information on the Healthcare Group.

B. Basis of presentation

The basic financial statements include both government-wide and fund financial statements. The government-wide financial statements report information on the entire Agency while the fund financial statements focus on major funds. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared between years to enhance the usefulness of the information.

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets (deficit) and the statement of activities) report information on the entire Agency. The effect of all significant interfund activity has been removed from these financial statements.

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(1) Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the governmental and business-type activities direct expenses are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include appropriations, contributions and grants that are restricted for the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment.

Fund financial statements provide information about the Agency's funds. Separate financial statements are provided for the governmental and proprietary funds. The General Fund is the Agency's primary operating fund, and it accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. AHCCCS has one business-type activity, Healthcare Group. In fiscal year 2010, AHCCCS did not have any major funds; accordingly, all governmental funds other than the General Fund are aggregated and reported as other governmental funds.

C. Measurement focus, basis of accounting and financial statement presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Proprietary funds distinguish between operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Healthcare Group are premiums charged to small, uninsured businesses with 2 to 50 employees and employees of political subdivisions for medical coverage. Operating expenses for the Healthcare Group include the costs of medical services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Proprietary fund revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred. Member premiums are due by the first day of the month preceding the month of coverage. At June 30, 2010, the proprietary fund deferred revenue of \$5,062 consists of premium payments received for fiscal year 2011 as required by contract.

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, AHCCCS considers revenue to be available if they are collected within 31 days of the end of the current fiscal year. The governmental funds deferred revenue consists of revenue received in advance for services not yet provided. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. Accrued programmatic costs include estimates for incurred but not reported (IBNR) claims paid in the 31-day period following the end of the fiscal year. Actual results for accrued programmatic costs may differ from such estimates. These differences are recorded in the period in which they are identified. However, expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

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(1) Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

In fiscal year 2010, AHCCCS reports the following significant funds:

- a. The general fund is the primary operating fund for the Title XIX Medicaid program and the Title XXI State Children's Health Insurance Program.
- b. Special revenue funds, reported as other governmental funds, account for various health and administrative programs.
- c. The Healthcare Group fund, reported as a business-type activity, accounts for the activities of a medical coverage program primarily for small, uninsured businesses with 2 to 50 employees and employees of political subdivisions.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. AHCCCS has elected to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

D. Cash and investments

Substantially all of the cash and investments maintained by AHCCCS are held by the State of Arizona Office of the Treasurer ("Treasurer") with other State monies. Investment income is allocated to AHCCCS on a pro rata basis. Amounts held by the Treasurer are recorded at fair value and totaled \$114,486 at June 30, 2010, including restricted funds of \$49,827.

The State is statutorily limited (by ARS §35-312 and §35-313) to certain investment types. Additionally, State statutes require investments made to be in accordance with the "Prudent Person" rule. This rule imposes the responsibility of making investments with the judgment and care that persons of ordinary prudence would exercise in the management of their own affairs when considering both the probable safety of their capital and the probable income from that capital. The Treasurer issues a separately published Annual Financial Report that provides additional information relative to the Treasurer's total investment activities.

Cash in the General Fund has been internally restricted by AHCCCS in the amount of \$48,566, \$32,796 for the Interagency Service Agreement (ISA) Fund and \$15,770 for the AHCCCS and Long Term Care Funds. The ISA Fund is used to properly account for, control, and report receipts and disbursements associated with ISAs which are not required to be reported in other funds. Fund receipts consist of monies received from other entities and are utilized to match federal funding under the Medicaid and CHIP programs under the terms stated in the ISAs. The cash restricted in the AHCCCS and Long Term Care Funds represents amounts payable to the counties to comply with section 5001(g)(2) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Cash in the Other Governmental Funds is legally restricted in the amount of \$1,261 for the Hawaii Arizona PMMIS Alliance (HAPA) Fund, as described in Note 4 and is offset by accrued expenditures of \$307 and deferred revenue of \$954 at June 30, 2010.

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(1) Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

In accordance with the Federal Cash Management Improvement Act of 1990 guidelines, AHCCCS may only request federal funds under specified funding techniques. These techniques require that AHCCCS draw down or request funds such that the timing of the receipt of the funds is interest neutral to both the State and Federal governments. For disbursements made through electronic fund transfers, funds must be drawn such that they are received by the State on the same day as the disbursement. For disbursements made through issuance of a check, funds must be drawn such that they are received by the State in accordance with its historical average check clearance pattern. The timing difference that occurs, due to drawing down funds after the issuance of checks, may result in bank overdrafts to AHCCCS at various times during the year. At June 30, 2010, a bank overdraft of \$766 existed which represented the excess of checks issued over federal funds deposited.

E. Capitation payments

Contracted health plans receive fixed capitation payments, generally in advance, based on actuarially determined rates for each AHCCCS member enrolled with the plan. The plans are required to provide all covered health care services to their members, regardless of the cost of care. If there are funds remaining, the plan retains the funds as profit; if the costs are higher than the amount of capitation payments, the plan absorbs the loss, except for those cases eligible for reinsurance payments or risk sharing reconciliations.

Capitation is paid prospectively as well as for prior period coverage (PPC). The PPC period generally is from the effective date of eligibility to the day a member is enrolled with a contracted health plan. The risk under PPC is shared by both the contracted health plans and AHCCCS for the contract year. AHCCCS reconciles the actual PPC medical costs to the PPC net capitation paid during the contract year. The reconciliation limits the contractor's profits and losses to 2%. Accrued programmatic costs are net of approximately \$175,543 at June 30, 2010 that represents estimated settlement payments due from contracted health plans for the PPC reconciliation. Actual results may differ from this estimate and such differences will be recorded in the period in which they are identified.

Similar risk sharing is in place for medical costs incurred by contracted health plans for the Title XIX Waiver Group (TWG) (MED and non-MED) members. AHCCCS reconciles the contractors' medical costs net of reinsurance to the total net capitation payments and delivery supplemental payments paid for the contract year. The reconciliation limits the contractors' profits or losses to 3% for the MED population. For the non-MED population the reconciliation for the period July 1, 2009 – September 30, 2009 only limits the contractors' profits or losses to 3%. The reconciliation for the non-MED population for the contract year October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010 limits the contractors' profits or losses to 2%. Accrued programmatic costs are net of approximately \$67,192 at June 30, 2010 that represents estimated settlement payments due from contracted health plans for the TWG MED and non-MED reconciliations. Actual results may differ from this estimate and such differences will be recorded in the period in which they are identified.

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(1) Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

F. Reinsurance payments

AHCCCS provides a stop-loss reinsurance program for its contracted health plans for partial reimbursement, after a deductible is met, of reinsurable covered medical services incurred for members with an acute medical condition. The program includes a deductible, which varies based on the health plan's enrollment. AHCCCS may adjust the deductible levels based upon enrollment levels and, in some cases, the contracted health plan with a higher deductible level may elect a lower deductible level. AHCCCS reimburses the health plans based on a coinsurance amount for reinsurable covered services incurred above the deductible. This reinsurance provides partial reimbursement of reinsurance eligible covered services and will reimburse 75% of eligible costs above the deductible level up to \$650 of covered expenses and 100% thereafter.

The reinsurance program also provides reimbursement for covered organ transplantation and catastrophic disorders such as certain high cost behavioral health and blood related disorders. For transplants, payment is limited to 85% of the AHCCCS contract amount for the transplant services rendered or 85% of the health plans' paid amount, whichever is lower. There is no deductible for catastrophic reinsurance cases, and AHCCCS reimburses the health plans at a percentage of the health plans' paid amount, less the coinsurance amount, unless the costs are paid under a subcapitated arrangement. For members receiving certain biotech drugs, only the drug costs will be covered under the Catastrophic Reinsurance Program. AHCCCS pays 85% of the health plans' paid amount for catastrophic reinsurance for certain blood related disorders up to \$650 of covered expenses and 100% thereafter. AHCCCS pays 75% of the health plans' paid amount for catastrophic reinsurance for certain high cost behavioral health up to \$650 of covered expenses and 100% thereafter.

G. Fee-for-service payments

The AHCCCS program is responsible for the cost of providing medical services on a fee-for-service basis to three populations: persons enrolled in the Emergency Services Program (ESP), persons enrolled in a health plan for less than 30 days, and Native American members enrolled with Indian Health Services (IHS).

The ESP provides for emergency medical care to persons who are not eligible for full AHCCCS coverage due to their lack of United States citizenship or lawful alien status. Outpatient medical services for the ESP and for members enrolled in a health plan for less than 30 days are reimbursed using the AHCCCS Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule. Inpatient medical services for these populations are reimbursed based on the category of service provided and an inpatient per-diem reimbursement rate system.

Medical services provided at an IHS facility or by a tribal-owned facility licensed by IHS are reimbursed at rates determined by the Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Services. Off-reservation services are reimbursed based on the AHCCCS fee-for-service rates, AHCCCS inpatient per-diem reimbursement rate system and the AHCCCS Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule.

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(dollar amounts expressed in thousands)

(1) Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

H. Incurred but not reported programmatic expenditures

In the accompanying financial statements, the fee-for-service, reinsurance and capitation expenditures include claims paid, claims in process and pending, and the estimate made by management for incurred but not reported (IBNR) programmatic claims. These IBNR programmatic claims include charges by physicians, hospitals and other health care providers for services rendered to eligible members during the period for which claims have not yet been submitted as well as prior period capitation payments for members enrolled retrospectively.

The estimates for IBNR programmatic claims are developed using actuarial methods based upon historical data for payment patterns and other relevant factors. Such liabilities are necessarily based on assumptions and estimates, and while management believes the amount is adequate, the ultimate liability may be in excess of or less than the amount provided. The methods for making such estimates and for establishing the resulting liability are continually reviewed, and adjustments are reflected in the period determined.

I. Disproportionate share hospital payments

CMS and the Legislature authorized AHCCCS to make disproportionate share payments to Arizona hospitals that provided care to a disproportionate share (as defined) of the State's indigent population. Expenditures for disproportionate share totaled \$23,446 for the year ended June 30, 2010.

J. Taxes

AHCCCS is an agency of the State of Arizona and is not subject to income taxes.

K. Management's use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures at June 30, 2010. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

L. 100% federal poverty level expansion and CMS Waiver

On November 7, 2000, the Arizona voters approved ballot Proposition 204. One of its primary components directed AHCCCS to increase the minimum qualifying income eligibility level up to 100% of the Federal Poverty Level. Proposition 204 also designated AHCCCS as the administrator of the tobacco litigation settlement funds awarded to the State for compensation of costs incurred in providing its citizens with health care and other services necessitated by the use of tobacco products.

In January 2001, AHCCCS obtained a Waiver from CMS to receive federal funding for certain non-categorically linked populations including those made eligible by the passage of Proposition 204. The Waiver requires that over the term of the agreement the populations covered by the Waiver be budget neutral for CMS. The Waiver period for budget neutrality began April 1, 2001 and extends through federal fiscal year 2011, at which time any federal funds received by the State that exceed the negotiated budget neutrality limit must be returned to CMS. Management believes that as of June 30, 2010, AHCCCS does not have any liability to CMS related to the budget neutrality agreement and, accordingly, no liability is recorded in the accompanying financial statements. See Note 9.

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(1) Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

AHCCCS has classified the Arizona Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund, created by ballot Proposition 204, as part of its General Fund. These funds are restricted for use as specified in the litigation settlement and/or legislation. Annual settlement payments, based on cigarette sales from the preceding calendar year are made in April. In addition, supplemental payments may be received as tobacco companies enter into the tobacco master settlement agreement. AHCCCS received annual and strategic contribution fund payments of \$105,394 in fiscal year 2010 for the period from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009. Revenue and a related receivable of \$54,106 were accrued for the period of January 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010 and are included in Tobacco Settlement Receivable and Other Operating Grants and Contributions in the accompanying Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities.

M. Hospital Residency Loan Program

The hospital residency loan program was established to loan monies for the establishment of start-up and ongoing costs for residency programs in accredited hospitals. The hospital loans are interest-free and are due and will become available in future periods when certain criteria are met triggering repayment or beginning in fiscal year 2013 with five annual installments after the execution date whichever is earlier.

Annual maturities of the loan receivable as of June 30, 2010 are as follows:

Years Ending September 30,		
2011	\$ -	
2012	-	
2013	160)
2014	160)
2015	160)
Thereafter	320)
Total	\$ 800)

(2) Capital assets

Capital assets, which consist of furniture, vehicles and equipment and internally generated computer software, are reported in the governmental and business-type activity columns in the government-wide statement of net assets. Tangible capital assets are defined as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful lives ranging from three to five years. Intangible capital assets consist of internally generated computer software with an initial cost of at least \$1,000 and will be amortized over an estimated useful life of five years. Expenditures for incomplete projects are reported as Development in Progress. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Net asset balances and current fiscal year activity are as follows:

Balance, June 30, 2009	\$	1,240
Additions		452
Retirements		(75)
Depreciation		(589)
Balance, June 30, 2010	<u>\$</u>	1,028

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(2) Capital assets (continued)

AHCCCS accounts for capital assets in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 42, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Impairment of Capital Assets and for Insurance Recoveries. GASB Statement No. 42 requires that capital assets be reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate a significant, unexpected decline in the service utility of a capital asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired and are still in use, the impairment can be recognized using the following methods: restoration cost approach, service unit approach, and a deflated depreciated replacement cost approach. If such assets are considered to be impaired and are no longer used, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. At June 30, 2010, management does not believe impairment indicators are present, and there were no idle capital assets.

At June 30, 2010, AHCCCS had incurred approximately \$220 of costs related to internally generated computer software, which is included in capital assets. The total costs associated with the internally generated computer software are estimated to be approximately \$1,127. The software is projected to be completed by December 31, 2011. AHCCCS accounts for internally generated computer software in accordance with GASB Statement No. 51, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets. In accordance with Statement No. 51, outlays associated with activities in the preliminary project stage should be expensed as incurred. Outlays related to activities in the application development stage are capitalized. Capitalization of such outlays will cease no later than the point at which the computer software is substantially complete and operational.

(3) Compensated absences

It is the State's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation, compensatory and sick pay benefits. Employees may accumulate up to 240 or 320 hours of vacation depending upon their position classification. Vacation hours in excess of the maximum amount that are unused at the calendar year end are forfeited. There is no liability recorded on AHCCCS' financial statements for sick leave as any amounts eligible for payment when employees separate from State service are the responsibility of the Arizona Department of Administration. The amount recorded in the government-wide financial statements consists of employees' vested accrued vacation and accrued compensatory time benefits. All compensated absences are due within one year. Balances and current fiscal year activity are as follows:

Balance, June 30, 2009	\$ 3,837
Additions	4,953
Reductions	(5,340)
Balance, June 30, 2010	\$ 3,450

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(4) Other governmental funds

At June 30, 2010, the other governmental fund balance of \$225 included activity within the following funds:

- Tobacco Tax and Health Care Fund, Medically Needy Account (TTHCF-MNA) The Arizona
 Department of Revenue allocates funding to the TTHCF-MNA which provides funding for
 services provided through the Title XIX Medicaid and other legislatively authorized health related
 services or programs. Revenue sources for the TTHCF-MNA include tobacco tax proceeds and
 investment income.
- Tobacco Products Tax Fund, Emergency Health Services Account (TPTF-EHSA) The Arizona
 Department of Revenue allocates the tobacco tax revenue to the TPTF-EHSA which is used
 solely for the reimbursement of uncompensated care, primary care services and trauma centers
 readiness costs. Revenue sources for the TPTF-EHSA include tobacco tax proceeds and
 investment income.
- Trauma and Emergency Services Fund This fund is comprised of gaming revenues to be used to reimburse hospitals in Arizona for unrecovered trauma center readiness costs and unrecovered emergency services costs.
- Third Party Liability Fund This fund is comprised of monies recovered from first and third party payers under various AHCCCS recovery programs prior to the disbursement to the appropriate parties, contractors and programs. These programs include casualty, special treatment trusts, estate and health insurance recoveries.
- Miscellaneous Funds These funds account for various grants and other money received for specific purposes including the Hawaii Arizona PMMIS Alliance (HAPA) and the Hospital Loan Residency Fund. HAPA represents AHCCCS' project with Hawaii whereby AHCCCS provides data processing services for Hawaii's Medicaid program. The Hospital Loan Residency Fund is established consisting of legislative appropriations and loan repayment monies for the establishment of a hospital loan program to fund start-up and ongoing costs for residency programs in accredited hospitals. The hospital loans are interest-free and are due and will become available in future periods when certain criteria are met triggering repayment or beginning in fiscal year 2013 with five annual installments after the execution date whichever is earlier.

Trauma and

Other governmental funds earned, expended and transferred during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 were as follows:

	 THCF - MNA	 TPTF - EHSA	Er	nergency Services Fund	L	ird Party iability Fund	Miscel- laneous Funds	 Total
Fund balances, June 30, 2009 Receipts Interest earned Expenditures	\$ 76,771 3 (40,455)	\$ 20,093 - (18,342)	\$	- 18,943 73 (19,016)	\$	2,484 5 (1,327)	\$ 685 11,527 24 (10,474)	\$ 685 129,818 105 (89,614)
Transfers in (out): State General Fund Tobacco Products Tax	-	-		-		(1,162)	(1,537)	(2,699)
Proposition 204 Protection Fund Arizona Dept of Health Services Fund balances, June 30, 2010	\$ (36,319) -	\$ (1,751) - -	\$	- - -	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ - - 225	\$ (1,751) (36,319) 225

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(5) Proprietary fund - operations

Healthcare Group (HCG) was established in 1988 by the State to administer health care services primarily to small, uninsured businesses with 1 to 25 employees and employees of political subdivisions. That range was later changed to 2 to 50 employees. HCG contracts with two health plans from the existing network of AHCCCS health plans (HMOs) to provide managed care medical services. HCG contracted with a third health plan up until December 31, 2009. Members in that health plan were migrated to one of the other two plans before or on that date. In fiscal year 2006, HCG started offering a Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) option (later changed to a Preferred Point of Service (PPOS) product). In fiscal year 2010, membership in the PPOS program became so low that, due to the inherent risk with having such a small population, the program was terminated on June 30, 2010. Members in that program were migrated to one of HCG's two health plans.

HCG's administrative responsibilities include enrollment/renewal, fulfillment, premium billing, customer service, collections, fund disbursement and data analysis. HCG is also responsible for regulatory oversight and providing reinsurance to the health plans.

The HMO contracted health plans are prepaid on a "per member, per month" (PMPM) basis. Capitation payments are made prospectively. Pursuant to contractual agreement, effective July 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 and in prior years, HCG reconciled the health plans' actual medical expenses reported to the capitation payments made by HCG during the contract year to determine if any additional payments were required. Such additional payments were subject to the contracted health plans medical loss ratio as well as the availability of funds in HCG to make such payments. However, at June 30, 2010 accrued programmatic costs from fiscal years 2007 and 2008 reconciliations totaled \$12,382 and are included in the non-current accrued programmatic costs of \$12,450. Due to HCG's financial condition (Note 6), HCG negotiated payment terms with the three contracted health plans to repay the remaining liabilities owed over several fiscal years.

Effective January 1, 2009, HCG's health plans agreed, in contract, that no future reconciliation costs will be recognized by HCG except for adjustments to the existing reconciliation for services rendered through December 31, 2008. HCG contractors are now compensated for attaining Nationally Recognized Utilization Management Standards, as mandated by Laws 2008, Chapter 288. The performance standards are developed by Milliman Inc., customized to each health plan's unique member population and further stratified by the level of medical management such as well managed, moderately managed, and loosely managed. The compensation amount will be no more than 6% of total premiums collected. After the end of the fiscal year, if the contractors meet performance standards, each will receive a payment. If a health plan performs poorly, it will forfeit the reserved amount and HCG will retain the amount and apply it to any existing liabilities. By compensating the health plans based on a set amount of reserves already collected from member premiums, HCG eliminates the potential for any unanticipated losses (or gains) from variation in HMO utilization. See further discussion in Note 6.

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(6) Proprietary fund – decrease in net deficit and turnaround from prior fiscal year

In fiscal year 2010, HCG reported operating income of \$1,968 and an increase in net assets of \$1,779. This continues a positive turn-around trend that began in fiscal year 2008 when HCG began successfully managing both program and administrative costs through a series of cuts, changes, realignments, and premium adjustments to match revenues with expenses. Fiscal year 2010 is the first year since fiscal year 1998 that HCG has reported income from operations without receiving General Fund subsidies to offset current or prior year losses. Additionally, HCG made a cash transfer to the General Fund in the amount of \$365 mandated by Laws 2009, Chapter 11. Overall, fiscal year 2010 operating results decreased HCG's net deficit to \$9,010 at June 30, 2010 as compared to the \$10,789 net deficit balance at June 30, 2009.

Prior to fiscal year 2008, HCG was unable to cover its costs due to net medical losses (medical costs exceeded premiums received). Since ending fiscal year 2007 with a liability of \$22,509, HCG has reduced this balance by \$10,127 using cash generated from operations, General Fund subsidies, and reinsurance and other adjustments.

The following table summarizes HCG's reconciliation liability activity for fiscal year 2010:

Healthcare Group Reconciliation Liability as of June 30, 2010 Fiscal Year 2010 Activity

(in thousands of dollars)

	<u>R</u>	econo	ciliation Perio	<u>od</u>		
	 FY 07		FY 08		FY 09	 Total
Balance June 30, 2009	\$ 9,583	\$	3,822	\$	_	\$ 13,405
Payments made	(680)		(65)		-	(745)
Accruals and adjustments	 (220)		(58)		-	(278)
Balance June 30, 2010	\$ 8,683	\$	3,699	\$	-	\$ 12,382

The remaining reconciliation liability will be paid by allocating 2% of medical premium revenues for a reconciliation reserve, from residual earnings, and from any State subsidies provided by the Legislature.

There can be no assurance that operating improvements realized over the past three fiscal years will continue to occur or will provide sufficient cash to fund operating expenses. Additionally, if there is an unexpected and adverse change in enrollment and premium increases are not sufficient to fund the reserves for past losses, then HCG will be required to further scale back administrative expenditures to a level supported by actual enrollment. Should HCG be required to accelerate payments for prior year reconciliation liabilities before it has sufficient funds to provide such payments and new terms are not negotiated, or the Legislature does not provide HCG with additional subsidies, it raises substantial doubt about HCG's ability to continue as a going concern.

In conclusion, even though HCG has posted operating income for the last three fiscal years and management currently projects that the positive trend will continue, \$9,010 remained as a net deficit at June 30, 2010 due to the outstanding reconciliation liability owed to the HMOs for prior fiscal years. It is not anticipated that operations will generate sufficient cash flow in the near future to entirely pay off the remaining deficit.

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(6) Proprietary fund – decrease in net deficit and turnaround from prior fiscal year (continued)

HCG plans to continue operations and to continue to pay down the outstanding liability. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming that HCG will continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of asset carrying amounts or the amount and classification of liabilities that might result should HCG be unable to continue as a going concern.

(7) Retirement plan

AHCCCS employees are covered by a defined benefit retirement plan administered by the Arizona State Retirement System Board. Benefits are established by State statute and provide retirement and long-term disability benefits to AHCCCS employees. The retirement plan is funded by payroll deductions from eligible employees' gross wages and matching amounts contributed by AHCCCS. These amounts satisfy the statutory requirement that employees and AHCCCS contributions must cover the actuarially determined current service costs of the retirement plan, plus amortization over a 30-year period of the unfunded past service liability. Payroll deductions as a percentage of employee wages were 9.0 percent for retirement and 0.40 percent for long-term disability for 2010. The matching amount contributed to the retirement plan by AHCCCS was \$4,326 in 2010 and is included in administrative expenditures in the accompanying government-wide and governmental fund financial statements.

Retirement benefit payments are obligations of the retirement plan and not AHCCCS. Actuarial and financial data on the retirement plan are available from the retirement plan's separately issued Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

(8) Budgetary basis of accounting

The financial statements of AHCCCS are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). AHCCCS, like other State agencies, prepares its annual operating budget on a basis that differs from the GAAP basis. Encumbrances as of June 30th can be liquidated during a four week administrative period known as the 13th month. The budget basis expenditures reported in the financial statements include both the fiscal year paid and the 13th month activity. The State does not have a legally adopted budget for revenues. Prior fiscal year expenditures of \$81,090 paid in the current fiscal year in accordance with the administrative adjustment procedures as authorized by Arizona Revised Statutes are reported as a separate amount. AHCCCS' controlling statute for programmatic payments administrative adjustment procedures varies from the statutory requirement of other State agencies. AHCCCS is permitted to pay for approved system covered medical services presented after the close of the fiscal year in which they were incurred with either remaining prior year or current year available appropriations. Unexpended prior year available appropriations for programmatic payments revert on December 31, 2010.

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(8) Budgetary basis of accounting (continued)

The following is a reconciliation of the GAAP Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds to the budgetary comparison schedules for the year ended June 30, 2010:

	General Fund <u>Actual</u>
Budgetary Basis Fund Balance, June 30, 2010	\$ 89,192
Budgetary Basis of Accounting	
Increases to fund balance: Due from State and county governments Due from the federal government Due from other Fund Receivables and other Total increases	79,939 347,875 8,577 10,857 447,248
Decrease to fund balance: Deferred revenue Due to State and county governments Accrued programmatic costs Payables and other Total decreases	(19,334) (154,450) (357,867) (4,789) (536,440)
Total GAAP basis fund balance	\$ <u> </u>

Non-appropriated expenditures of \$2,448,980 in the General Fund consist of federal and state matching pass-through payments to other agencies.

(9) Contingencies

Litigation and investigations - AHCCCS has been named as a defendant in a variety of litigation, all of which are being defended by in-house and contracted legal counsel. It is the opinion of AHCCCS, upon consultation with legal counsel, that none of these claims is likely to have a material adverse effect on its financial statements. In addition, AHCCCS believes that the funding of any material adverse judgment, sanction or repayment obligation in excess of its appropriation would require a special appropriation by the State.

Compliance with laws and regulations - AHCCCS is subject to numerous laws, regulations and oversight by the federal government. These laws and regulations include, but are not necessarily limited to, matters such as government health care program participation requirements, reimbursement for member services and Medicaid fraud and abuse. Violations of these laws and regulations could result in expulsion from government health care programs, together with the imposition of significant financial sanctions.

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(9) Contingencies (continued)

Management believes that AHCCCS is in compliance with fraud and abuse laws and regulations as well as other applicable government laws and regulations. Compliance with such laws and regulations can be subject to future review and interpretation as well as regulatory actions unknown at this time.

Budget neutrality agreement - AHCCCS was granted a Waiver from CMS that provides federal funding for certain non-categorically linked populations including those made eligible by the November 2000 passage of Proposition 204. The Waiver requires that over the term of the agreement (April 1, 2001 through September 30, 2011), that the population covered by the Waiver be budget neutral for CMS. AHCCCS negotiated an extension of the Waiver with CMS that extends the budget neutrality for an additional period of five years. In addition, the Waiver was amended to include the Arizona Long Term Care program expenditures making them subject to budget neutrality beginning October 1, 2006. Under budget neutrality, CMS will not pay more for medical services with the Waiver than it would without the Waiver. The Waiver Special Terms and Conditions (STC) include a monitoring arrangement that requires AHCCCS to report the financial results of the Waiver on a quarterly basis. It also established a diminishing annual threshold of the amount by which AHCCCS is able to exceed the budget neutrality limit on an interim basis before being required to submit a corrective action plan. The STC reporting limit thresholds are monitored on a Federal Fiscal Year basis. The STC limit threshold for the first eight limit periods (April 1, 2001 through September 30, 2009) is .50 percent. The threshold declines by 0.25 percent for limit period nine and is zero percent for the limit period ended September 30, 2011. As of June 30, 2010, reported date of service expenditures associated with the eight limit periods ended September 30, 2009 are below the limit by \$177 million, or .60 percent. Through June 30, 2010, AHCCCS remains under the cumulative reporting limit threshold. The budget neutrality calculation is dependent on a number of variables including the number of members, the eligibility category of members and the general economy and its impact on unemployment, medical inflation and policy decisions that may impact program costs made by the Legislature. Given the uncertainty surrounding these factors, AHCCCS is not presently able to determine if the budget neutrality limit will be exceeded or if it is exceeded that CMS will require repayment of the excess. Management believes that as of June 30, 2010, AHCCCS does not have any liability to CMS related to the budget neutrality agreement. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements have not been adjusted for the impact of any liability AHCCCS may have related to the Waiver budget neutrality agreement.

School based claims audit - In December 2006, the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General, Office of Audit Services (OIG) commenced an audit of the Direct Service Claiming (DSC) program. The OIG requested that AHCCCS provide the OIG with all DSC claims data for the period from January 2004 through June 2006. The data represented over 9.5 million claim lines and \$124 million of federal funds paid to the Local Education Authorities (LEAs) statewide under the DSC program.

From the data AHCCCS provided, the OIG sampled 100 students "members months" (where one student member month is all claims for one student for one month) and commenced their review. There were approximately 175 contracted LEAs during the timeframe of the audit. The 100 student months of records that were sampled represented 44 of the 175 LEAs statewide. The audit represented a total of 2,000 claims under review.

The OIG conducted on-site audits at fifteen LEAs which represented 49 of the 100 student (member) months. The OIG performed desk reviews on the remainder of the LEAs. The total federal dollars paid to the LEAs for these claims totaled approximately \$32.

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(9) Contingencies (continued)

In September, 2009, the OIG provided AHCCCS with preliminary findings which focused primarily on: services not provided or service units over billed; documentation requirements not met; speech therapy provider requirements not met; unallowable transportation services; prescribing or referring provider requirements not met; and student eligibility not met. From the preliminary findings, the highest frequency of errors occurred in services not provided or service units over billed, documentation requirements not met, and speech therapy provider requirements not met.

Out of the \$32 in federal dollars paid to the LEAs for the selected claims, OIG identified a potential overpayment of approximately \$6.8 which represents an error rate of approximately 21%. OIG has extrapolated the error rate and has issued a draft report recommending that CMS recoup approximately \$21,000 of program costs previously passed through to the LEAs under the DSC program. AHCCCS conducted a review and validation of the data set supporting the OIG findings and responded to CMS regarding the final OIG audit report and extrapolated finding amount on September 21, 2010. AHCCCS disagrees with the audit report and disputes approximately \$4 or 59 percent of the identified overpayment amount of approximately \$6.8.

AHCCCS has returned \$2.7 based on the claims that AHCCCS does not dispute. Internal counsel has indicated that it is reasonably possible that some additional amount will be disallowed and recouped by CMS. However, AHCCCS cannot, at this preliminary stage, reasonably estimate an amount and no repayment liability has been recorded as of June 30, 2010.

School based administration claiming – The School Based Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC), administered through a third party administrator (TPA), allows federal funding to pass through to the LEAs for certain administrative activities. In March 2006, the contractor began a review of the claim calculation for the period from January 2004 through September 2007 as a result of findings from an OIG audit in another state that questioned methods used in the claim calculation methodology. The recommendations of the TPA were initially adopted prospectively and resulted in a more conservative calculation of the MAC amounts. Subsequently, an assessment of the impact of the claim calculation changes concluded that there is an inability to accurately recalculate the MAC amounts retroactively. The maximum impact of the retroactive claim calculations is approximately \$7,000 and CMS indicates that the OIG will review the MAC claims in question to reasonably calculate the overpayments.

In August 2008, the TPA identified that the prospective implementation failed to include all of the recommendations having a direct impact on the claims paid from December 2005 through December 2007. AHCCCS has requested that the TPA either return the approximate \$2,300 maximum overpayment or recalculate what the payments should have been and return the resulting overpayment.

CMS has instructed AHCCCS to refund the \$9,300 in overpayments. The refund will be requested from the LEAs or deducted from future payments in accordance with the intergovernmental agreement. The amount due from the LEAs may be reduced by any recovery from the TPA as identified above. The recoupment liability is included in the due to the federal government with a corresponding receivable in the due from the state and local governments in the accompanying financial statements.

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(9) Contingencies (continued)

Medicare Part Premium Buy-in – In February 2010, the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General, Office of Audit Services (OIG) commenced an audit of the buy-in of Medicare Part B premiums. The OIG audit period covered Part B premiums paid by the State and claimed for Federal reimbursement for the quarters ended December 31, 2007, through September 30, 2009. Based on their preliminary findings, CMS also reviewed the Medicare Part B eligibility categories and Federal claiming for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Although neither OIG or CMS has formally issued a report, the preliminary determination by CMS is that AHCCCS has not complied with Federal requirements and issued a grant award deferral letter on January 21, 2011 for certain claimed amounts.

AHCCCS bases Federal claiming on two separate State Medicaid Directors Letters where CMS has stated that, at the State's option, FFP is available for the cost of Part B premiums for the eligibility category in question. The questioned category is individuals eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare but whose income exceeds 100% of the FPL and is covered as a State option. Internal counsel has indicated that it is possible that some amount may be disallowed and recouped by CMS. However, AHCCCS cannot, at this preliminary stage, reasonably estimate an amount and no repayment liability has been recorded as of June 30, 2010.

(10) Interfund receivables, payables and transfers

Interfund activity is defined as transactions between funds administered by AHCCCS. The interfund balances as of June 30, 2010 consist of transfers from the Other Funds to the General Fund in the amount of \$8.577.

In the government-wide statement of activities, the interfund activity has been eliminated. The total net transfers out of \$42,377 reported on the statement of activities represents transfer activities to other State agencies.

(11) Transactions with other State agencies and counties

Transactions with other State agencies and counties - AHCCCS contracts for administrative and programmatic services from other State agencies. Charges for administrative services are based on the performing agencies' actual cost. Charges for programmatic services are generally based on actuarially determined capitation rates. The following is a summary of contracted services provided:

Administrative services - The Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES) charges AHCCCS to determine eligibility for certain Title XIX members. The Arizona Department of Administration charges AHCCCS for data center services, communication lines, risk management and training. The Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) charges AHCCCS for licensure and screening services and administrative costs associated with the CHIP Vaccine for Children program and the Arizona State Immunization Information System. The Arizona Board of Nursing charges AHCCCS for the cost of administering the nurse aid training program for nurse assistants. The Arizona Office of Administrative Hearings charges AHCCCS for administrative hearing services. These expenditures are included in administrative expenditures in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds.

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(11) Transactions with other State agencies and counties (continued)

The following is a summary of transactions with these State agencies for the administrative services described above for the year ended June 30, 2010.

	<u>Expenditure</u>	
Arizona Department of Economic Security	\$	70,215
Arizona Department of Administration		14,103
Arizona Department of Health Services		2,035
Arizona Board of Nursing		210
Arizona Office of Administrative Hearings		367
·	\$	86,930

Programmatic services - Certain health care related programmatic services are provided by other State agencies, which include ADES and ADHS. AHCCCS receives the State and federal funds for these services and transfers them to the appropriate agencies pursuant to the terms of intergovernmental agreements.

The amount passed through to ADES is classified as long-term care capitation and the amount passed through to ADHS is classified as capitation-mental health services and Children's Rehabilitative Services expenditures in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds. The following is a summary of transactions with these State agencies for the services described above for the year ended June 30, 2010.

·	<u>Expenditures</u>
Arizona Department of Economic Security	\$ 898,919
Arizona Department of Health Services	1,417,828
·	\$ 2,316,747

Revenues include \$226,282 from Arizona counties during fiscal year 2010. This amount has been adjusted to reflect the reduction in county contributions required by the political subdivision contribution limitations of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. See Note 13. To the extent expenditures for long-term care services are less than county and State contributions, AHCCCS is required to remit such amounts equally to the State and the counties. At June 30, 2010, county and State contributions did not exceed related expenditures.

(12) Other pass through funds

Arizona school districts are eligible for federal matching funds for the administrative functions related to Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) outreach services at the school level. Arizona school districts also are eligible for federal matching funds on a fee-for-service basis for the provision of certain AHCCCS program services provided to eligible students. These amounts are included within federal pass through funds in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds.

Arizona counties contributed \$2,994 as determined by statutory calculation for administrative costs incurred by ADES for eligibility determinations and other operating costs associated with Proposition 204.

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(12) Other pass through funds (continued)

ADHS, under an agreement between ADHS and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, receives reimbursement of state matching funds recovered through civil monetary penalties from certain nursing facilities.

At June 30, 2010, AHCCCS recorded the following pass through revenue in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds:

	Funds Passed <u>Through</u>
Arizona School Districts Administrative Services Federal Funds Program Services Federal Funds	\$ 5,293 21,554
Arizona Department of Economic Security County Contribution for Administrative Costs	2,994 \$ 29,841

(13) American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) provides fiscal relief to States to protect and maintain State Medicaid programs. This relief is granted in the ARRA, Title V, Section 5001 and 5002 in the form of temporary increases in the federal matching assistance percentage (FMAP) rates, and increases to the Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) allotments. The FMAP rate increases vary based upon the maintenance of FMAP and unemployment rate provisions of the ARRA. The FMAP rate increased in fiscal year 2010 from 65.77% to 75.93% effective April 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009 and 65.75% to 75.93% effective October 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. The DSH allotment increased by \$5,040 for federal fiscal year 2010.

In order for states to be eligible to receive the increased FMAP, states must comply with the following maintenance of effort requirements:

- States are ineligible for increased FMAP if eligibility standards, methodologies, or procedures are
 more restrictive than what was in effect July 1, 2008. There are provisions that allow states to
 reverse changes made prior to the passage of ARRA and still be able to receive the increased
 FMAP.
- States must comply with prompt payment requirements to providers and must submit a quarterly report that it is in compliance with this provision.
- States cannot deposit or credit any reserve or rainy day funds with revenue from increased FMAP and will be required to report on how the increased FMAP dollars are spent.
- States are ineligible for the increased FMAP if it requires political subdivisions to pay a greater percentage of the non-federal share for quarters during the recession adjustment period than the percentage that would have been required by the State under such plan on September 30, 2008.

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(13) American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (continued)

Arizona counties contribute to the non-federal share of the Acute Base Capitation program and the Arizona Long-Term Care (LTC), Elderly and Physically Disabled (EPD) program; therefore, with the application of the political subdivision maintenance of effort provision, the required county contributions decreased in fiscal year 2010 by \$13,556 for the Acute Base Capitation program and \$2,213 for the LTC, EPD program.

State agencies and political subdivisions benefited from the increased FMAP rates for claimed federal expenditures for fiscal year 2010 as follows:

Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System	\$ 624,515
Arizona Department of Health Services	137,112
Arizona Department of Economic Security	89,889
Arizona Department of Corrections	261
Arizona School Districts	2,857
Arizona Counties	 229
	\$ 854.863

(14) New pronouncements

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued several pronouncements prior to June 30, 2010 with effective dates within or after the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010. Management believes the impact of these statements does not affect current or future financial presentations by AHCCCS. AHCCCS adopted the following pronouncement during fiscal year 2010:

In June 2007, the GASB issued Statement No. 51, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2009. This Statement requires that all intangible assets not specifically excluded by its scope provisions be classified as capital assets and includes guidance on recognition, initial measurement and amortization. GASB Statement No. 51 establishes a specified-conditions approach to recognizing internally generated intangible assets such as computer software. Outlays associated with development are not capitalized until certain criteria are met. Outlays incurred prior to meeting the criteria are expensed as incurred. Expenditures for incomplete projects are reported as Development in Progress. Retroactive reporting of internally generated computer software is not required. Adoption of this statement did not have a significant impact on AHCCCS' financial statements.

(15) Subsequent events

During the final six months of fiscal year 2010, AHCCCS enrollment growth began to slow following the most significant period of enrollment increase since the Proposition 204 expansion in calendar years 2001 to 2003. Although most recent economic forecasts believe that the national recovery has begun, most agree that Arizona's recovery will lag behind the rest of the nation due to the real estate market issues and other challenges. Additionally, the impact of the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (PPACA) to population growth prior to its implementation in January 2014 remains unclear. Given these factors, AHCCCS is projecting that population growth rates will be closer to historical levels of under 5 percent per annum.

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(15) Subsequent events (continued)

AHCCCS continues to review the Medicaid provisions of the PPACA of 2010 to evaluate impacts and responsibilities under the new Federal healthcare plan. The most significant impact is the Managed Care Drug Rebates. The drug rebates previously applied to fee-for-service payments have been expanded to drugs purchased through Managed Care Organizations with the rebate shared at predefined rates between the states and the federal government. Currently, AHCCCS spends approximately \$500 million on prescription drugs and projects the state share of the rebates to be between \$23.6 million and \$17.3 million.

AHCCCS' budget request for fiscal year 2012 submitted to the Governor in September 2010 includes a rebase of the fiscal year 2011 budget. The revised projection indicates AHCCCS is currently forecasting a FY 2011 total fund surplus of \$199.1 million (\$37 million General Fund shortfall). The General Fund shortfall is primarily due to the lower ARRA increased FMAP rate passed by Congress during the six month extension period. The total projected Medicaid General Fund shortfall due to the lower increased FMAP, including the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) and the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES), is \$79 million. AHCCCS has a plan to address this projected Medicaid shortfall including utilizing \$56 million in fiscal year 2010 AHCCCS reversions, relying on \$18 million in CYE 2010 projected health plan contractual reconciliation recoupments, and generating a minimum of \$5 million in capitation rate savings with the implementation of April 1, 2011 rate reductions. This plan may require legislation to realign a portion of the General Fund savings from AHCCCS to ADHS and ADES. The factors that may influence the need for or amount of a supplemental appropriation include enrollment trends greater than appropriated and tobacco revenue collections lower than projected. Management is closely monitoring these trends and the adequacy of fiscal year appropriations.



SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Year Ended June 30, 2010 (amounts expressed in thousands)

Federal Grantor/Pass Through Agency/Program	Federal CFDA Number	Expenditures		
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Medicaid Program (Title XIX) Federal funds expended to vendors	93.778	\$ 6,315	: 850	
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Federal funds expended to subrecipients	93.778-R 93.778	920	,995 ,016	
Children's Health Insurance Program (Title XXI)	93.767	66	5,680 *	
Medicaid Infrastructure Grant	93.768		622	
Medicaid Transformation Grants	93.793	3	3,041	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS		\$ 7,311	,204	

^{*}major programs

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Year Ended June 30, 2010

(dollar amounts expressed in thousands)

(1) Basis of presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of **Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System** and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.* Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in, the preparation of the basic financial statements.

(2) Catalog of federal domestic assistance (CFDA) numbers

The program titles and CFDA numbers were obtained from the 2010 Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance.



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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Director of the

ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM (AHCCCS, an agency of the state of Arizona)

We have audited the financial statements of the *Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System* (AHCCCS, an agency of the state of Arizona) at June 30, 2010 and for the year then ended, and have issued our report thereon dated January 27, 2011. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the *Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System's* internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the *Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System's* internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the *Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System's* internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the *Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System's* financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management of *Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System* and the state of Arizona Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Mayer Hoffman Mc Can P.C.

Phoenix, Arizona January 27, 2011