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TO: Holders of AHCCCS Medical Policy Manuals

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SUBJECT: AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM) Update, 2015-09

Revisions and updates have been made to the following:

CHAPTER 400, MEDICAL POLICY FOR MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH: EXHIBIT 430-3
CHAPTER 500: POLICY 570, COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE CARE TEAMS
CHAPTER 900, QM AND PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: EXHIBIT 910-1
APPENDIX H, POLICY FOR MANAGEMENT OF ACUTE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SITUATIONS (NFS WITH NO BH UNITS)

Language that references Primary Care Physician in the above policy documents has been redefined as Primary Care Provider.

The Effective Date for all of the above revisions is 07/01/2015.

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CHAPTER 300: POLICY 310-GG, NUTRITIONAL ASSESSMENTS AND NUTRITIONAL THERAPY

Policy 310-GG is a new policy that was developed to assist members 21 years of age and older whose health status may improve with nutritional intervention.

The Effective Date for the above policy is 10/01/2015.

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CHAPTER 300: ATTACHMENT C, AHCCCS CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL NECESSITY FOR COMMERCIAL ORAL NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS FOR MEMBERS 21 YEARS OF AGE OR GREATER -INITIAL OR ONGOING REQUESTS (PREVIOUSLY EXHIBIT 1250-3)

Attachment C is a new policy that was developed to assist members 21 years of age and older whose health status may improve with nutritional intervention.

The Effective Date for the above revision is 10/01/2015.
CHAPTER 400: POLICY 410, MATERNITY CARE SERVICES
CHAPTER 400: POLICY 411, WOMEN’S PREVENTATIVE CARE SERVICES
CHAPTER 400: POLICY 430, EPSDT SERVICES

Changes in the above policies have been made to clarify the standards of care relating to MCH and EPSDT services, including postpartum depression and Well-Woman Visits.

The Effective Date for the above revisions is 10/01/2015.

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CHAPTER 400: POLICY 420, FAMILY PLANNING

Definitions have been added for clarity and reference throughout the policy.

The Effective Date for the above revision is 10/01/2015.

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CHAPTER 400: POLICY 431, ORAL HEALTH CARE (EPSDT AGE MEMBERS)

Changes in Policy 431 include updated resources and information on Dental Homes and Informed Consent.

The Effective Date for the above revision is 10/01/2015.

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CHAPTER 400: EXHIBIT 410-3, AHCCCS REQUEST FOR STILLBIRTH SUPPLEMENT

Changes were made in Exhibit 410-3 that relate to the submission of supporting documentation.

The Effective Date for the above revision is 07/01/2015.

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CHAPTER 400: EXHIBIT 430-2, CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL NECESSITY FOR COMMERCIAL ORAL NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS (EPSDT AGE MEMBERS)

Exhibit 430-2 was revised to clarify member criteria for coverage and services.

The Effective Date for the above revision is 10/01/2015.

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CHAPTER 1000: MEDICAL MANAGEMENT (MM), APPENDIX C AND APPENDIX G (PREVIOUSLY EXHIBIT 1030-A AND 1030-B)

Appendix C has been added to Chapter 1000 as a Medical Management plan checklist. Appendix G has been added to serve as a sample template to be used in writing the work plan(s).

The Effective Date for the above revision is 07/01/15
CHAPTER 1200: POLICY 1250-G, NUTRITIONAL ASSESSMENTS AND NUTRITIONAL THERAPY

Policy 1250-G has been revised to clarify nutritional assessments and therapy for ALTCS members.

The Effective Date for the above revision is 10/01/2015.

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APPENDIX I, CHARTS FOR ESTIMATING BODY MASS INDEX

Appendix I has been removed from the AMPM and a link to CDC’s BMI website placed in Chapter 400.

The Effective Date for the above revision is 07/01/2015.