DATE: August 14, 2018
TO: Holders of the AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual
FROM: Contracts and Policy Unit
Division of Health Care Management, AHCCCS
SUBJECT: AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM)

This memo describes revisions and/or additions to the AMPM.

Please direct questions regarding policy updates to the Contracts and Policy Unit at 602-417-4295 or 602-417-4055 or email at DHCMContractsandPolicy@azahcccs.gov.

PLEASE NOTE: We are currently converting the AMPM Headers and Footers to a new format, aligning Policy language for consistency, and changing Exhibits to Attachments. Changes will be done over the next several months.

UPDATES AND REVISIONS TO THE AHCCCS MEDICAL POLICY MANUAL (AMPM)

To view the policies and attachments, please access the following link:

AHCCCS MEDICAL POLICY MANUAL (AMPM)

POLICY 670, FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTHCARE CENTERS (FQHC) AND RURAL HEALTH CLINICS (RHC) REIMBURSEMENT

Policy 670 is a new Policy that provides a description of network design by GSA for the following population needing behavioral health services: Individuals with Behavioral health needs, young adults, and children. A service provided under the authority of section 1115 Demonstration Waiver. As such, case management does not qualify for a “per visit” payment under the BIPA PPS methodology or the Alternative Payment Methodology applicable to FQHC services. This Policy was developed to recognize case management services are not a PPS-eligible service. To the extent that case management services are reimbursable, they will be reimbursed according to the capped fee-for-service fee schedule.

Additionally, Provider Case Management is not a reimbursable service for ALTCS E/PD and Tribal ALTCS; this service is provided through the ALTCS E/PD and Tribal ALTCS Contractors. ALTCS is capitated for Case Management as a component of their administrative payments, so ALTCS is not eligible to bill separately for this service.

POLICY 1620-J, OUT-OF-STATE PLACEMENT STANDARD

Policy 1620-J, Out-of-State-Placement Standard was revised for general formatting updates. Clarified E/PD and DDD case management vs. Tribal ALTCS case management.

POLICY 1620-K, SKILLED NURSING NEED STANDARD

Policy 1620-K was opened as part of the ALTCS E/PD Request for Proposal (RFP YH18-0001) and was revised for general formatting updates.
**POLICY 1620-M, CONTRACTOR CHANGE STANDARD**

Policy 1620-M was revised for general formatting updates and to include a Purpose Statement. The definition for E/PD Contractor was added to clarify requirements for Contractor change standards.

**POLICY 1620-N, SERVICE STANDARD CLOSURE**

Policy 1620-N was opened as part of the ALTCS Request for Proposal (RFP YH18-0001) and was revised for general formatting updates.

**POLICY 1640, TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT STANDARDS**

Policy 1640 was opened and revised for general formatting updates and alignment with ALTCS Request for Proposal (RFP YH18-0001) activities.

**POST TRIBAL CONSULTATION NOTIFICATION/PUBLIC COMMENT CHANGES TO POLICY 1640:**

- Deleted last sentence in section A., 3.

  3. Members residing in any licensed residential setting. TCM visits shall occur every 180 days from the date that the placement began. Thereafter, members may choose the frequency of the visit (i.e.: every 90 or 180 days, or annually (every 365 days), from the date of the last TCM visit.

**NEWLY ADDED APPROVED NOT YET EFFECTIVE**

To view the policies and attachments, please access the following link:  [AMPM Approved Not Yet Effective](#)

**POLICY 100, AHCCCS MEDICAL POLICY MANUAL OVERVIEW**

Policy 100 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. The definition section of this Policy was revised to remove words defined within each policy and included language on notification provided via Constant Contact. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POLICY 310-F, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Policy 310-F was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. Pertinent information that was found in Policy 310-CC, Triage-Screening and Evaluation of Emergency Medical Conditions was incorporated into this Policy prior to Policy 310-CC being reserved. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POLICY 310-G, RESERVED**

Policy 310-G, Eye Examinations-Optometry Services was reserved as the service will be incorporated into AMPM Exhibit 300-1. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*
POLICY 310-K, HOSPITAL INPATIENT SERVICES

Policy 310-K was revised to remove 25 day limitation language, added reference to DRG payment policy, added audiology services, dental surgery for 21+, wound care, and minor formatting revisions. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

POLICY 320-F, RESERVED

Policy 310-F, Emergency Medical Services was reserved as the service will be incorporated into AMPM Exhibit 300-1. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

EXHIBIT 400-1, RESERVED

Exhibit 400-1, Maternal and Child Health Reporting Requirements was reserved as Reporting Requirements for Maternal Child Health for the Contractors are delineated in the Contractor’s Contract Chart of Deliverables. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

POLICY 431, ORAL HEALTH FOR EPSDT AGED MEMBERS

Policy 431 revised to include Uniform Warranty requirements and provisions for Affiliated Practice Dental Hygienists. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

POST TRIBAL CONSULTATION NOTIFICATION/PUBLIC COMMENT CHANGES TO POLICY 431:

• Removed American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry definition of Dental Home from body of policy and placed in Definitions section; replacing definition which was previously there for Dental Home.

• Placed EPSDT Term and Definition in alpha order.

POLICY 520, MEMBER TRANSITIONS

Policy 520 was part of the Bidder’s Library Policies for the AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Request for Proposal (RFP YH19-0001) and was revised to align with integration changes and to add a section ‘Transition from Child to Adult’ based on feedback received during the Request for Information (RFI).

POST TRIBAL CONSULTATION NOTIFICATION/PUBLIC COMMENT CHANGES TO POLICY 520:

• Section D Revised to apply requirements for Child to Adult Transitions to those members who have co-occurring behavioral health and physical health conditions.

• Revise Section D, Number 3 to remove the word ‘to’ from the ‘to/from’ language as indicated below.

  Transitions involving co-occurring behavioral and physical health conditions shall include, at a minimum the following:

  3. A transition plan for the member that focuses on assisting the member with gaining the necessary skills and knowledge to become a self-sufficient adult and facilitates a seamless transition to/from child services to adult services,
**POLICY 640, ADVANCE DIRECTIVES**

Policy 640 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. Definitions were added based on content. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POLICY 660, OPIOID TREATMENT PROGRAM MID-LEVEL EXEMPTION**

Policy 660 is a new policy that formalizes mid-level exemption process needed to expand provider capacity for treating Opioid Use Disorder within an OTP setting.

- **ATTACHMENT A, ARIZONA OTP PROGRAM EXEMPTION REQUEST AND RECORD OF JUSTIFICATION**
  
  New Attachment A form to be used in conjunction with AMPM Policy 660.

- **ATTACHMENT B, ARIZONA OTP PROGRAM EXEMPTION REQUEST RENEWAL FORM**
  
  New Attachment B form to be used in conjunction with AMPM Policy 660.

**POLICY 962, REPORTING, AND MONITORING OF SECLUSION AND RESTRAINT**

Policy 962 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) RFP activities. Terminology for Human Rights Committee (HRC) was revised to Independent Oversight Committee (IOC) per SB1450. Terminology for DHCAA-HRC Coordinator updated to DHCAA Community Affairs Liaison. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POST TRIBAL CONSULTATION NOTIFICATION/PUBLIC COMMENT CHANGES TO POLICY 962:**

- Under section IV. Reporting Requirements: added Mental Health Agencies where it describes “BHIF’s shall...” (Pages 3-7).

  - **ATTACHMENT A, SECLUSION AND RESTRAINT INDIVIDUAL REPORTING FORM**

    Included description of member Condition per R9-21-204.

  - **ATTACHMENT B, SECLUSION AND RESTRAINT MONTHLY REPORT**

    Revised for general formatting.

**POST TRIBAL CONSULTATION NOTIFICATION/PUBLIC COMMENT CHANGES TO ATTACHMENT B:**

- Deleted duplicative column Y and Z; Column Y should be medication description and column Z should be (E) Injury

**POLICY 963, PEER AND RECOVERY SUPPORT TRAINING, CREDENTIALING AND SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS**

Policy 963 was separated from AMPM 961 into its own policy specifically speaking to CMS requirements for Peer Support. Title was updated to “Peer and Recovery Support Training, Credentialing, and Supervision Requirements.”
Attachment A, RESERVED

Attachment A, Development References was reserved as it is no longer being maintained by AHCCCS.

**POLICY 964, PARENT/FAMILY SUPPORT PROVIDER TRAINING, CREDENTIALING, AND SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS**

Policy 964 was separated from AMPM 961-B and developed into its own standalone Policy. Policy revised to eliminate the requirement to submit a Training Program every three years. New requirement is to submit Training Programs only when substantial changes are made.

**POST TRIBAL CONSULTATION NOTIFICATION/PUBLIC COMMENT CHANGES TO POLICY 964:**

- Un-deleted “system’s” cultures on E. 1.,c., iii..
- Added “informed approaches” after trauma on E., 1.,e., iii.
  
  iii. Understanding individual and family culture, biases, stigma, and system’s cultures, and
  
  iii. Understanding compassion fatigue, burnout, and trauma informed approaches

**POLICY 1010, MEDICAL MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

Policy 1010 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

**POLICY 1040, OUTREACH, ENGAGEMENT, AND RE-ENGAGEMENT FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

Policy 1040 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

**PREVIOUSLY ADDED TO THE APPROVED NOT YET EFFECTIVE**

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The following Policies are posted for Contactor reference. However, the below Policies will not be in effect until the date referenced in each Policy. Policies which are newly approved but not yet effective will be added at the beginning of this section.

**POLICY 300, RESERVED**

Policy 300, Chapter Overview was reserved as the contents of the chapter overview were determined to be non-substantive and no longer needed. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

**EXHIBIT 310-1, RESERVED**

Exhibit 310-1, A.A.C. AHCCCS Rule Emergency Medical and Behavioral Health Services for Non- FES Members was reserved as the information on these rules are provided in their entirety in the Arizona Administrative code. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.
**Policy 310-A, Reserved**

Policy 310-A, Audiology was reserved as the service will be incorporated into AMPM Exhibit 300-1, AHCCCS Covered Services Acute Care. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 310-E, Reserved**

Policy 310-E, Dialysis was reserved as the service will be incorporated into AMPM Exhibit 300-1, AHCCCS Covered Services Acute Care. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 310-H, Reserved**

Policy 310-H, Health Risk Assessment and Screening Tests was reserved as the service will be incorporated into AMPM Exhibit 300-1, AHCCCS Covered Services Acute Care. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 310-I, Home Health Services**

Policy 310-I was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 310-T, Reserved**

Policy 310-T, Physician Services was reserved as the service will be incorporated into AMPM Exhibit 300-1, AHCCCS Covered Services Acute Care. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 310-W, Reserved**

Policy 310-W, Radiology and Medical Imaging was reserved as the service will be incorporated into AMPM Exhibit 300-1, AHCCCS Covered Services Acute Care. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 310-X, Occupational, Physical, and Speech Therapies**

Policy 310-X was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

- **Attachment A, AHCCCS Adult Member Therapy Benefit Table**
  
  No changes.

**Policy 310-Y, Reserved**

Policy 310-Y, Respiratory Therapy was reserved as the service will be incorporated into AMPM Exhibit 300-1, AHCCCS Covered Services Acute Care. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*
**Policy 310-CC, Reserved**

Policy 310-CC, Triage-Screening and Evaluation of Emergency Medical Conditions was reserved as the information was moved into AMPM Policy 310-F, Emergency Medical Services. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 310-HH, End of Life Care and Advance Care Planning**

Policy 310-HH was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 310-JJ, Orthotic and Prosthetic Devices**

Policy 310-JJ was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 320-G, Lung Volume Reduction Surgery**

Policy 310-GG was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. Added a definition for Lung Volume Reduction Surgery (LVRS). *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

- **Attachment A, AHCCCS Adult Member Therapy Benefit Table**

  Attachment A was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting.

**Policy 320-K, Reserved**

Policy 320-K, Tobacco Cessation Product was reserved as the service will be incorporated into AMPM Exhibit 300-1, AHCCCS Covered Services Acute Care and is listed in the AHCCCS Drug List. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

- **Attachment A, Prior Authorization Protocol Therapeutic Class Smoking Cessation Aids**

  Attachment A was reserved.

**Policy 320-L, Neurophysiological Testing**

It was determined that Policy 320-L be revised instead of reserved and has therefore been removed from “Approved Not Yet Effective” and is currently under review.

**Policy 320-M, Medical Marijuana**

Policy 320-M was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*
**POLICY 320-N, HEPATITIS C (HCV) PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR DIRECT ACTING ANTIVIRAL MEDICATION TREATMENT**

Policy 320-N was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POLICY 560, CHILDREN’S REHABILITATIVE SERVICES CARE COORDINATION AND SERVICE PLAN MANAGEMENT**

Policy 560 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001). References to CRS Contractor were removed and AIHP and Tribal ALCTS were included as this policy now applies to them. Clarified responsibility of treating providers for service planning and coordination of care. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POLICY 800, RESERVED**

Policy 800, Chapter Overview was reserved as the language was determined to be an outline of AMPM Policy 810. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POLICY 961, PEER, FAMILY, AND CSA TRAINING, CREDENTIALING, AND OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENTS**

Policy 961 was reserved. This Policy consisted of three separate sections that have been broken down creating the following three stand-alone Policies.

**POLICY 963, PEER AND RECOVERY SUPPORT TRAINING, CREDENTIALING AND SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS.**

Formally 961-A. During development the Policy the existing language was reorganized and clarification added for better flow. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POLICY 964, PARENT FAMILY SUPPORT PROVIDER TRAINING, CREDENTIALING, AND SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS**

Formally 961-B. During development the Policy the existing language was reorganized and clarification added for better flow. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POLICY 965, COMMUNITY SERVICE AGENCIES**

This is formally 961-C. This Policy is still under review and revisions and will be finalized soon.

**POLICY 1000, RESERVED**

Policy 1000, Chapter Overview was reserved as the contents of the chapter overview were determined to be non-substantive and no longer needed. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**POLICY 1600, RESERVED**

Policy 1600, Chapter Overview was reserved as the information was determined to be non-substantive. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**APPENDIX J, RESERVED**
Appendix J, FFS Mileage Reimbursement Form was reserved. AHCCCS no longer has independent providers. Providers who wish to render services to Tribal ALTCS shall complete the provider registration to become AHCCCS providers (affiliated with NEMT company). This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

**EXHIBIT 300-2A, AHCCCS COVERED SERVICES BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

Exhibit 300-2A was revised to include Behavioral Health Residential Facility as part of AHCCCS Covered Services for ALTCS E/PD and DES/DDD members. Revised to indicate assessment and peer support services are covered services for DDD members. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

**EXHIBIT 300-3B, RESERVED**

Exhibit 300-3B, Inpatient Limit: Members & Contractor Responsibility Acute & ALTCS Members 21 Years of Age and Older (Medicaid Only, QMB Dual and Non QMB Dual Status) has been Reserved due to the 25 day limitation being repealed from rule A.A.C. R9-22-204(c). This Exhibit will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

**EXHIBIT 300-3A, RESERVED**

AMPM Exhibit 300-3A, Application of Physical Therapy Visit Outpatient Limit Acute & ALTCS Members 21 Years of Age and Older was reserved due to the contents are duplicative of what is currently outlined in AMPM Policy 310-X. This Exhibit will have an Implementation Date of 10/01/18.

**POLICY 310-D1, DENTAL SERVICES FOR MEMBERS 21 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER**

Policy 310-D1 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

**POLICY 310-N, LABORATORY**

Policy 310-N was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

**POLICY 310-O, RESERVED**

Policy 310-O, Maternal and Child Health Services was reserved due to no substantive information see AMPM Chapter 400 for Maternal and Child Care Policies. This Policy will have an Implementation Date of 10/01/18.

**POLICY 310-P, MEDICAL SUPPLIES, DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND ORTHOTIC-PROSTHETIC DEVICES**

Policy 310-P was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

**POLICY 310-V, PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS/PHARMACY SERVICES**

Policy 310-V was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.
**Policy 320-A, Affiliated Practice Dental Hygienist**

Policy 320-A was reserved. The information will be moved into AMPM Policy 431, Oral Health Care for EPSDT Age Members, effective October 1, 2018. *This policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 330, Reserved**

Policy 330, Covered Conditions and Services for Children’s Rehabilitative Services (CRS) Program was reserved due to information is no longer applicable with 10-01-18 integration. Pertinent information is being moved to AMPM Policy 560, CRS Care Coordination and Service Plan Management. *This policy will have an Implementation Date of 10/01/18.*

**Exhibit 400-2C, Dental Plan and Evaluation Checklist**

Exhibit 400-2C was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 420, Family Planning**

Policy 420 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 530, Member Transfers Between Facilities**

Policy 530 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 900, Chapter Overview**

Policy 900 was reserved. Definitions from this Policy were added within the appropriate Chapter 900 policies. *This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 930, Reserved**

Policy 930, Member Rights and Responsibility was reserved due to language being available within other areas: Contracts, HIPAA regulations, AHCCCS Privacy Notice. Pertinent information will be incorporated into The Handbook for Members of the American Indian Health Program and/or the Tribal Regional Behavioral Health Authorities and Tribal ALTCS Member Handbook to include language regarding members obtaining services from any FFS provider. *This Policy will have an Implementation Date of 10/01/18.*

**Policy 970, Performance Measures**

Policy 970 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. *This policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.*
POLICY 980, PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Policy 980 was revised to align with AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Contract/Integration changes (RFP YH19-0001) and minor formatting. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

POLICY 1060, RESERVED

Policy 1060, Training Requirements for RBHAs and Behavioral Health Providers was reserved. A new Policy, ACOM Policy 407, is being developed, effective October 1, 2018, to incorporate Workforce Development requirements for all lines of business. This Policy will have an Implementation Date of 10/01/18.

POLICY 1600, RESERVED

Policy 1600, Chapter Overview was reserved as the contents of the chapter overview were determined to be non-substantive and no longer needed. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

APPENDIX E, RESERVED

Appendix E, Childhood and Adolescent Behavioral Health Tool Kits was reserved as AHCCCS will refer to nationally recognized resources. This Policy will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.

APPENDIX F, RESERVED

Appendix F, Adult Behavioral Tool Kits was Reserved as AHCCCS is moving away from maintaining clinical tool kit documents and will instead refer to nationally recognized resources. Appendix F includes the following list of tools: Adult ADHD, Adult Anxiety, Adult Depression, Postpartum Depression. This Appendix will have an implementation date of 10/01/18.