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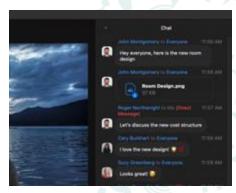
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Tribal Consultation Notification

In accordance with A.R.S. 41-2051 Section C, AHCCCS ensures reasonable notice and opportunity for consultation with Indian Tribes prior to implementing policy changes likely to have a direct effect on Tribal communities, thereby strengthening the relationship between Tribes and AHCCCS.

TPW Agenda Item Requests Received: 0



Opening Blessing









Tribal Policy Workgroup

September 15, 2025



Tribal Open Mic



Tribal Open Mic Guidelines

The Tribal Open Mic is intended to empower Tribal and UIO leaders to voice perspectives, concerns, and updates, fostering collaborative dialogue with AHCCCS and fellow Tribal stakeholders.

General Guidelines:

- Priority is given to Tribal leaders and delegates.
- Following Tribal leaders, the floor is open to UIO leadership and delegates, then 638/Tribal health directors, TRBHA leadership, IHS leadership, and MCO Tribal Teams.
- Agency's Listening Role: The agency will primarily listen, gather insights, and take notes of concern raised during this session.

Guiding Questions

- Are there any pressing policy concerns or emerging issues impacting your Tribe that you'd like to bring to our attention?
- Are there specific AHCCCS policies or program challenges that your
 Tribe would like to discuss or seek clarification on?
- Does your Tribe or health system have updates on policy, funding, or program implementation that you'd like to share with the group?
- Are there any barriers your Tribe is experiencing in accessing AHCCCS programs, services, or funding opportunities that we should be aware of?

Policies Currently Open/Under Review & Policies Posted for Public Comment

AHCCCS Public Comment Web page: ahcccs.commentinput.com/comment/search





AMPM 320-O:

Behavioral Health Assessments, Services, Treatments, and Safety Planning

Leslie Short, DFSM Deputy Assistant Director





AMPM 320-O Behavioral Health Assessments, Service, and Treatment Planning

- Specifies provisions for behavioral health assessments, service, and treatment planning for AHCCCS members.
- Policy posted for public comment April 10 May 25, 2025
- Post public comment, AHCCCS identified language that needed additional clarification.
- Policy reposted for a 14-day expedited public comment period September 2 – 16, 2025
 - https://ahcccs.commentinput.com/?id=5mfQVSNM7

Proposed Changes

- Policy Overview, III.A.7.c
 - Establishes responsibility of contractors and providers to ensure that behavioral health assessments, service, and/or treatment planning be conducted.
 - Establishes responsibilities specific to FFS programs including:
 - Providing the completed behavioral health assessment, service and treatment plan documentation to the TRBHA, Tribal ALTCS case manager, and/or other providers serving FFS members involved in the member's care for inclusion in the member's medical records, and additional care coordination requirements for FFS members.
- Strikes out the following language:
 - For FFS population, the term treatment plan may be used interchangeably with the term service plan.



Definitions

- Service Plan: A comprehensive written description of all covered health services and other informal supports which includes individualized goals, family support, services, care coordination activities and strategies to assist the member in achieving an improved quality of life.
- Treatment Plan: A written plan of services and therapeutic interventions based on a complete assessment of a member's developmental and health status, strengths and needs that are designed and periodically updated by the multi-specialty, interdisciplinary team.



Open Discussion



Announcements





2025 Tri-Agency Tribal Consultation

Meeting/Event	Date/Time*	Location	Registration Links
AHCCCS Tribal Policy Workgroup Q3	Thursday, September 25, 2025 1:00PM - 2:30PM	Virtual Only	Zoom Registration
Tri-Agency Tribal Consultation Q4	Tuesday, November 4, 2025 8:30AM - 4:30PM	Zoom / In-Person Location TBD	Zoom RegistrationIn-personRegistration
AHCCCS Tribal Policy Workgroup Q4	Tuesday, November 12, 2025	Virtual Only	Zoom Registration



Thank You!

