

Through its Targeted Investments (TI) Program, AHCCCS supports providers in moving toward integrated and coordinated care and aims to:

- Reduce fragmentation between acute care and behavioral health care,
- Increase efficiencies in service delivery for members with behavioral health needs, and
- Improve health outcomes for the affected populations.

The Targeted Investments Program has successfully distributed \$300 million over five years towards time-limited, outcome-based projects aimed at building the necessary infrastructure to create and sustain integrated, high-performing health care delivery systems that improve care coordination and drive better health outcomes for:

- Adults with behavioral health needs
- Children with behavioral health needs, including children with or at risk for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and children engaged in the child welfare system
- Individuals transitioning from incarceration

Targeted Investments 2.0

In order to continue progress toward delivery system and payment reform and to bring the current Targeted Investments Program initiatives to scale, AHCCCS seeks waiver authority to extend the TI Program from 2021 through 2026. This proposal, known as the TI Program 2.0, will include two distinct participant cohorts – “extension” and “expansion” cohorts.

- The “extension” cohort will include current TI Program providers. As the movement to integrate behavioral health and primary care continues for this cohort, their next step will be to incorporate non-clinical or social needs into the delivery system to provide a truly holistic, person-centered approach to care.
- The “expansion” cohort will include primary care practices, behavioral health providers, and integrated clinics that volunteer to participate in the TI Program 2.0 with no prior TI participation. Eligibility requirements will include a certified EHR that is capable of bi-directional data exchange, minimum volume thresholds, and a commitment to participate in the Learning/Quality Improvement Collaborative established to support TI program participants.

AHCCCS will develop a concept paper in 2021 that outlines the details for the TI Program 2.0 and publish this document on its website.