

September 27, 2021

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**RE: Arizona SPA #21-012, DSH Budget**

Dear Mr. Zolynas:

Enclosed is State Plan Amendment (SPA) **#21-012, DSH Budget**. This SPA updates the State Plan to reflect DSH funding for FY 2022, effective September 30, 2021.

Public Notice for this SPA was posted and is viewable via the following link:

<https://www.azahcccs.gov/shared/Downloads/PublicNotices/DSHFY22NOPI.pdf>

Tribal Consultation requirements have been met, with the Tribal Consultation presentation viewable at the following link:

[https://www.azahcccs.gov/AmericanIndians/Downloads/Consultations/Meetings/2021/August12\\_2021QuarterlyTC.pdf](https://www.azahcccs.gov/AmericanIndians/Downloads/Consultations/Meetings/2021/August12_2021QuarterlyTC.pdf)

If there are any questions about the enclosed SPA, please contact Ruben Soliz at [ruben.soliz@azahcccs.gov](mailto:ruben.soliz@azahcccs.gov) or 602-417-4355.

Sincerely,



Dana Flannery  
Assistant Director  
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STATE OF ARIZONA  
METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES  
INPATIENT HOSPITAL CARE

**DSH Exhibit 3:  
AHCCCS  
Disproportionate Share Hospital Payment  
Methodology Pool Funding Amount**

This Exhibit contains the amount of funding for six pools in the Arizona DSH pool methodology.

For State Plan Year (SPY) 2008 and 2009, funding will be allocated among six pools (pools 1, 1A, 2, 2A, 3, and 4). For SPY 2010, funding will be allocated among seven pools (pools 1, 1A, 2, 2A, 3, 4, and 5). Thereafter, the funding will be allocated among six pools (pools 1, 1A, 2, 2A, 4, and 5).

Pools 1, 1A, 2, 2A, and 3 - Non-governmentally-operated hospitals

The funding for pools 1 and 2 will be sufficient to provide an average payment amount of \$6,000 for all hospitals qualifying for both of the two pools. No hospital in pools 1 or 2 will receive less than \$5,000. Therefore, the amount of funding for pools 1 and 2 will be determined by multiplying the number of hospitals qualifying for pools 1 and 2 by \$6,000.

The funding for pools 1A, 2A and 3 (if applicable) will be derived by subtracting the total amount allocated for pools 1 and 2 from the amount of DSH authorized by the Legislature for non-governmentally operated hospitals. Beginning SPY 2011, these remaining funds will be split with 15% for Pool 1A and 85% for Pool 2A.

- For SPY 2018, the funding for pools 1, 2, 1A, and 2A will be \$884,800.
- For SPY 2019, the funding for pools 1, 2, 1A, and 2A will be \$884,800.
- For SPY 2020, the funding for pools 1, 2, 1A, and 2A will be \$884,800.
- For SPY 2021, the funding for pools 1, 2, 1A, and 2A will be \$884,800.
- For SPY 2022, the funding for pools 1, 2, 1A, and 2A will be \$884,800.

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Pool 4 – Governmentally-operated hospitals

The funding for pool 4 is the amount authorized by the Legislature for governmentally operated hospitals.

- For SPY 2018, the funding for pool 4 is \$142,293,400.
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- For SPY 2022, the funding for pool 4 is \$142,293,400.

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