

DATE: May 16, 2023,
TO: Holders of the AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual
FROM: DHCS Contracts and Policy
SUBJECT: AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM)

This memo describes additions and/or revisions to the AMPM. For questions regarding policy updates email the Contracts and Policy Unit at: DHCMContractsandPolicy@azahcccs.gov.

NAME CHANGE

Effective April 1, 2021, Comprehensive Medical and Dental Program (CMDP) changed to Comprehensive Health Plan (CHP) due to Behavioral health integration. Refer to Laws 2019, 1st Regular Session. AHCCCS is in the process of revising all pertinent documents to reflect the new name.

CONTRACT NAME CHANGE

Effective October 1, 2022, the Regional Behavioral Health Authority (RBHA) for the Managed Care Organizations was aligned with the Competitive Contract Expansion YH20-0002 to expand the provision of services for the awarded ACC-RBHA Contractors. AHCCCS is in the process of revising all pertinent documents to reflect this change.

AHCCCS CONTRACT AND POLICY DICTIONARY AND AHCCCS RELATED ACRONYMS

To view the AHCCCS Contract and Policy Dictionary, please access the following link:

[AHCCCS CONTRACT AND POLICY DICTIONARY](#)

The AHCCCS Contract and Policy Dictionary provides a centralized location for definitions that are utilized in various ACOM and AMPM Policies. A hyperlink to the location of the AHCCCS Contract and Policy Dictionary has been added to applicable policies. AHCCCS is in the process of adding an area within the Definition Section of all policies that identifies terms used/referenced in that policy to encourage viewing of the AHCCCS Contract and Policy Dictionary to better understand how AHCCCS defines the word or term. However, some policies have specific terms/definitions that may have a slightly different meaning for that respective Policy; those terms/definitions will remain in the Policy and will include a statement indicating 'For purposes of this Policy only'.

To view the AHCCCS Related Acronyms, please access the following link:

[AHCCCS RELATED ACRONYMS](#)

[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 \(AMPM\)](#)

AMPM POLICY 680-C - PRE-ADMISSION SCREENING AND RESIDENT REVIEW (PASRR)

AMPM Policy 680-C was revised to provide clarification as it relates to the PASRR Level II Eval timeframes, the submission requirements for PASRR Level II requests, as well as other minor clarifications around the PASRR process. Section II. Definitions was revised to include a common terms table.

- **ATTACHMENT A – ARIZONA PRE-ADMISSION SCREENING AND RESIDENT REVIEW (PASRR) LEVEL I SCREENING TOOL**

Attachment A was revised to add the diagnosis of Down Syndrome which impacts intellectual and/or adaptive functioning was added to comply with Arizona House Bill 2113 amending A.R.S. § 36-551.

- **ATTACHMENT B - LEVEL II PASRR PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION**

No changes.

- **ATTACHMENT C - PRE-ADMISSION SCREENING AND RESIDENT REVIEW INVOICE**

No changes.

AMPM POLICY 1024 – DRUG UTILIZATION REVIEW

AMPM Policy 1024 was revised for minor formatting updates including the addition of DES/DDD Tribal Health Program (DDD THP) to the purpose statement to align with programmatic changes. Section II. Definitions was revised to include a common terms table.

- **ATTACHMENT A – PHARMACY AND PRESCRIBER REPORT TEMPLATE**

No changes.