

DATE: December 13, 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 Organization 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 all policies found in both the ACOM and AMPM. 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 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PRACTICE TOOL 220 – RESERVED

The former AMPM Behavioral Health Practice Tool 220 – Child and Family Team was reserved as pertinent information has been incorporated in the new AMPM Policy 580 – Child and Family Team.

○ **ATTACHMENT A - RESERVED**

Attachment A was reserved as pertinent information has been incorporated in the new AMPM Policy 580, Attachment A - Strengths, Needs, and Culture Discovery Domains.

○ **ATTACHMENT B - RESERVED**

Attachment B was reserved as pertinent information has been incorporated in the new AMPM Policy 580, Attachment B – CALOCUS Implementation Guidelines for CFT Practice Nine Essential Activities.

○ **ATTACHMENT C - RESERVED**

Attachment C was reserved as pertinent information has been incorporated in the new AMPM Policy 580 - Attachment C – Child and Family Supervision Tool.

○ **ATTACHMENT D - RESERVED**

Attachment D was reserved as pertinent information has been incorporated in the new AMPM Policy 580 - Attachment D – Arizona Child and Family Teams Supervision Tool User’s Guide.

AMPM POLICY 580 – CHILD AND FAMILY TEAM

AMPM Policy 580 is a new policy establishing the foundations of Child and Family Team (CFT) Practice that provides a universal CFT system of care, indicators that contribute to the complexity of needs for the child and family, how the Child and Adolescent Level of Care Utilization System (CALOCUS) is utilized, and how the essential CFT practice activities are implemented on individualized needs. The Policy also incorporates pertinent information from the former AMPM Behavioral Health Practice Tool 220 and remains an optional resource for Fee-for-Service (FFS) Programs and is not a requirement for FFS providers. Major policy revisions include removing previous AMPM Behavioral Health Practice Tool language no longer pertinent to Policy, updating terminology for consistency with other policies, removal of duplicative language, enhancing clarity, and including language in alignment with Contract.

- **ATTACHMENT A - STRENGTHS, NEEDS, AND CULTURE DISCOVERY DOMAINS**

Attachment A was reformatted to align with policy standards.

- **ATTACHMENT B - CALOCUS IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES FOR CFT PRACTICE NINE ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES**

Attachment B was reformatted to align with policy standards.

- **ATTACHMENT C - CHILD AND FAMILY SUPERVISION TOOL**

Attachment C was reformatted to align with policy standards.

- **ATTACHMENT D - ARIZONA CHILD AND FAMILY TEAM SUPERVISION TOOL USERS GUIDE**

Attachment D was reformatted to align with policy standards.

- **ATTACHMENT E – IMPLEMENTATION OF 12 PRINCIPLES FOR CHILDREN'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICE DELIVERY**

Attachment E is a new attachment establishing the implementation of 12 Principles for Children's Behavioral Health Service Delivery.

POST PUBLIC COMMENT CHANGES:

AMPM Policy 580 was revised to further clarify original changes after being posted for public comment on 11/14/23.