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TO: Holders of the AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM)

FROM: Division of Managed Care (DMC) Contracts and Policy Unit

**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: <a href="mailto:DMCContractsandPolicy@azahcccs.gov">DMCContractsandPolicy@azahcccs.gov</a>.

## **SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT**

Effective May 1, 2024, The Office for Civil Rights (OCR) finalized the rule that prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability. AHCCCS is in the process of revising all pertinent documents to remove symbols and periods from various Federal and State citations to ensure accessibility for all individuals in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

#### **AHCCCS NEW AGENCY STRUCTURE**

Effective March 3, 2025, AHCCCS unveiled a new Agency structure. AHCCCS is in the process of revising all pertinent documents to reflect the new Division titles. For complete details related to the new Agency structure, please see the press release found on the AHCCCS website under News & Press Releases.

#### **STATEWIDE BRANDING**

Effective August 23, 2024, Arizona announced a statewide branding effort. AHCCCS is in the process of revising all pertinent documents to reflect the new AHCCCS Logo, colors, and design elements.

## 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 offers a centralized location for definitions found within the various AHCCCS Contractor Operations Manual (ACOM) and AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM) policies.

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

AHCCCS RELATED ACRONYMS

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## CURRENT UPDATES AND REVISIONS TO THE AHCCCS MEDICAL POLICY MANUAL (AMPM)

## AMPM POLICY 320-W - THERAPEUTIC FOSTER CARE FOR CHILDREN

AMPM Policy 320-W was revised for minor formatting, grammatical edits, and adding language referring to the Contract Chart of Deliverables in alignment with Contract requirements.

## **AMPM POLICY 1020 - UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT**

AMPM Policy 1020 was revised for minor formatting, grammatical edits, and clarity. Additional changes include but are not limited to:

- Adding reference to the new Attachment A, Inpatient Hospital Showings Report Attestation Form to align with Contract, Section F, Attachment F3, Chart of Deliverables.
- Adding contact information for Medical Management (MM).

## ATTACHMENT A - INPATIENT HOSPITAL SHOWINGS REPORT ATTESTATION FORM

Attachment A is a newly developed Attestation Form that a physician shall be utilized to certify the necessity of inpatient hospital services.

To view all AMPM policies and attachments, please access the following link:

**AHCCCS MEDICAL POLICY MANUAL (AMPM)** 

## UPDATES AND REVISIONS TO THE AHCCCS CONTRACT AND POLICY DICTIONARY

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

AHCCCS CONTRACT AND POLICY DICTIONARY

The following terms and/or definitions have been updated or added:

- Shall
- Should