

November 5, 2024

The Honorable Katie Hobbs  
Governor of Arizona  
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Phoenix, Arizona 85007

The Honorable Warren Petersen  
President of the Arizona State Senate  
1700 W Washington  
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The Honorable Ben Toma  
Speaker of the Arizona House of Representatives  
1700 W Washington  
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The Honorable Dave Byers  
Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts  
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Governor Hobbs, President Petersen, Speaker Toma, and Director Byers:

AHCCCS is submitting the following report as required in Arizona Revised Statute § 36-425.06(B):

*On or before September 1 of each year, the director of the Arizona health care cost containment system administration shall submit a report to the governor, the legislature and the supreme court that includes the following information:*

- 1. An accounting of where the monies appropriated to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System administration for secure behavioral health residential facilities were used during the previous year.*
- 2. The number of available beds in each secure behavioral health residential facility.*

## Annual Expenditures

During the prior fiscal year, (July 01, 2023-June 30, 2024) AHCCCS expended \$47,539.50 to contract with the Arizona Board of Regents for and on behalf of Arizona State University's Center for Health Information and Research (CHiR) to conduct an analysis of the population of individuals who may qualify for treatment within a Secure Behavioral Health Residential Facility (SBHRF). AHCCCS is evaluating network capacity needs for secured behavioral health residential facilities (SBHRFs) for individuals committed under Arizona Revised Statutes Title 36, Article 5 Court-Ordered Treatment ("T36"). The following are pending completion from CHiR, which will aid in this analysis:

- A population analysis and estimate of the number of individuals per county under T36 commitment who are Seriously Mentally Ill (SMI) and chronically resistant to treatment for a mental disorder who may be court ordered to a SBHRF once this level of care becomes available.
- A report of the other unique needs of the T36 population (e.g., co-occurring medical, substance use, I-DD, use and adherence to psychotropic medications) as well as anticipated length of stay in a SBHRF based on similarly profiled individuals currently in BHRF care.

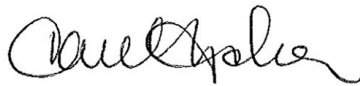
The next part of this analysis will be conducted to evaluate the network capacity needs for individuals committed under Arizona Revised Statutes Title 13 to SBHRF.

## SBHRF Bed Availability

At this time, there are no ADHS licensed SBHRFs.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can answer any questions or provide additional information.

Sincerely,



Carmen Heredia, Director

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Sarah Brown, Director, Governor's Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting  
Richard Stavneak, Director, Joint Legislative Budget Committee  
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