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Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)



AHCCCS Mission- Vision- Values

- Mission
 - Reaching across Arizona to provide comprehensive, quality health care to those in need
- Vision
 - Shaping tomorrow's managed care from today's experience, quality, and innovation
- Values
 - Passion, Community, Quality, Respect, Accountability, Innovation, Teamwork, Leadership



AHCCCS Overview

- Medicaid is a shared federal and state program that provides healthcare to low income persons. Both the federal and state governments make decisions & contribute funding
- Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) is Arizona's Medicaid agency that offers health care programs to serve Arizona residents
- Individuals must meet income and other requirements to qualify
- AHCCCS operates under a managed care model through a Research and Demonstration 1115 Waiver
- The waiver basically focuses on implementing a managed care system that prioritizes competition among health plans and choice for Medicaid members



AHCCCS Operates Under a Waiver

- The 1115 Waiver refers to Section 1115 of the Social Security Act (year- 1965). AHCCCS operates under a managed care model
- States must comply with Title XIX (Medicaid) and Title XXI (Children's Health Insurance Program) of the Social Security Act to get funds
- Arizona was the last state to implement Medicaid (1982) and has been exempt from specific provisions of the Social Security Act via a 1115 Research and Demonstration Waiver
- The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) within the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is AHCCCS' federal partner, providing federal oversight of the waiver



Managed Care Dominates the Model

- AHCCCS is the largest payer for healthcare services in the State. Qualifying members receiving their services via a Managed Care Health Plan (e.g. AHCCCS Contractors)
- Roughly \$12B of healthcare services are provided annually through the managed care plans. State matching funds cover roughly 1/3 of the cost and federal funds cover the rest
- The recent expansion population (100% to 138% of federal poverty level) and Kids Care members require fewer state matching funds

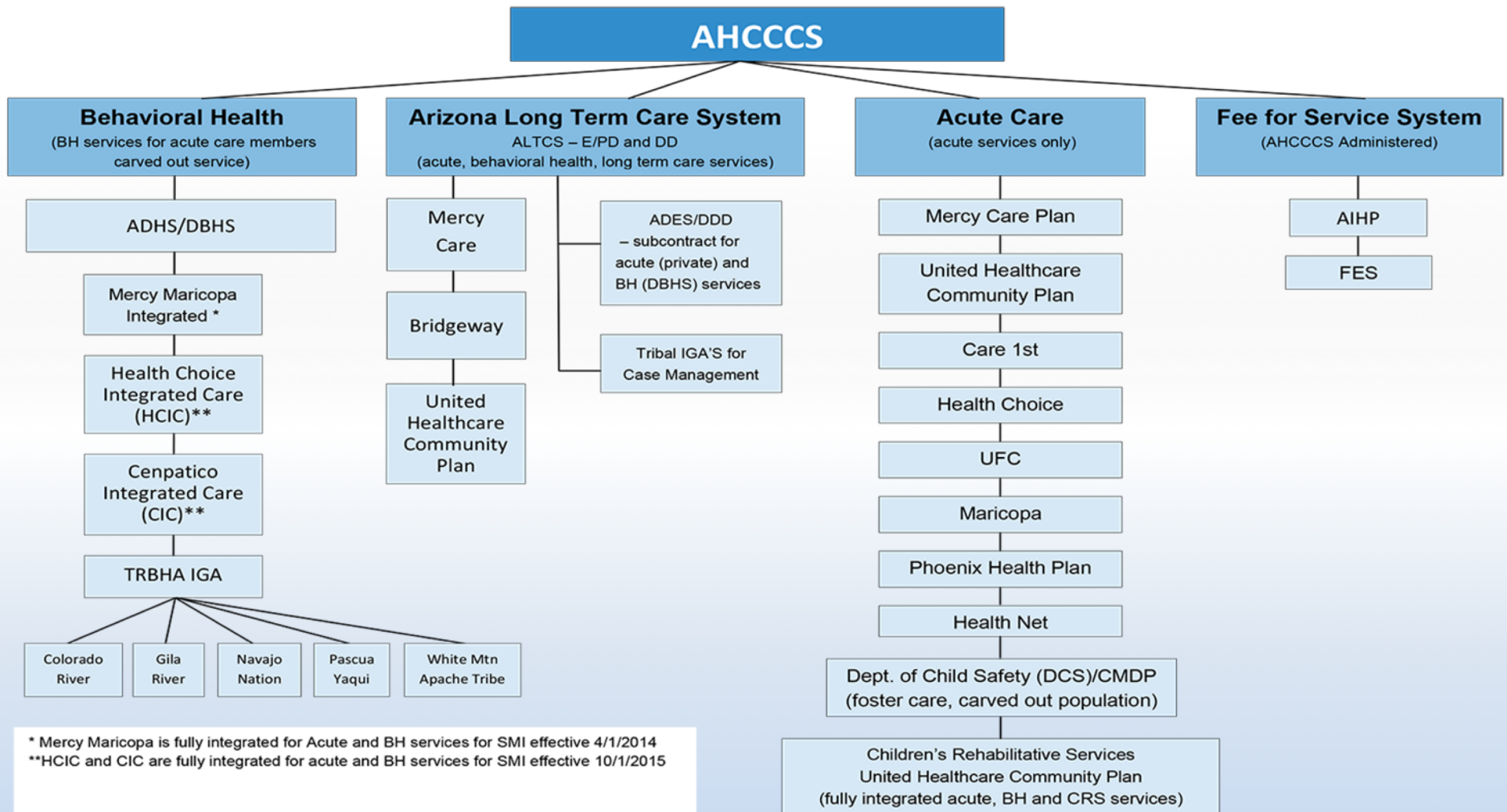


Eligibility Categories

- Three Main Categories of Eligibility for Services:
 - Acute Healthcare
 - Children including Kids Care or “CHIP”
 - Adults
 - Long Term Care
 - Persons with Developmental Disabilities
 - Persons that are elderly or have physical disabilities
 - Behavioral Health Services
 - Persons with a Serious Mental Illness
 - Persons requiring substance abuse services or have a general mental illness

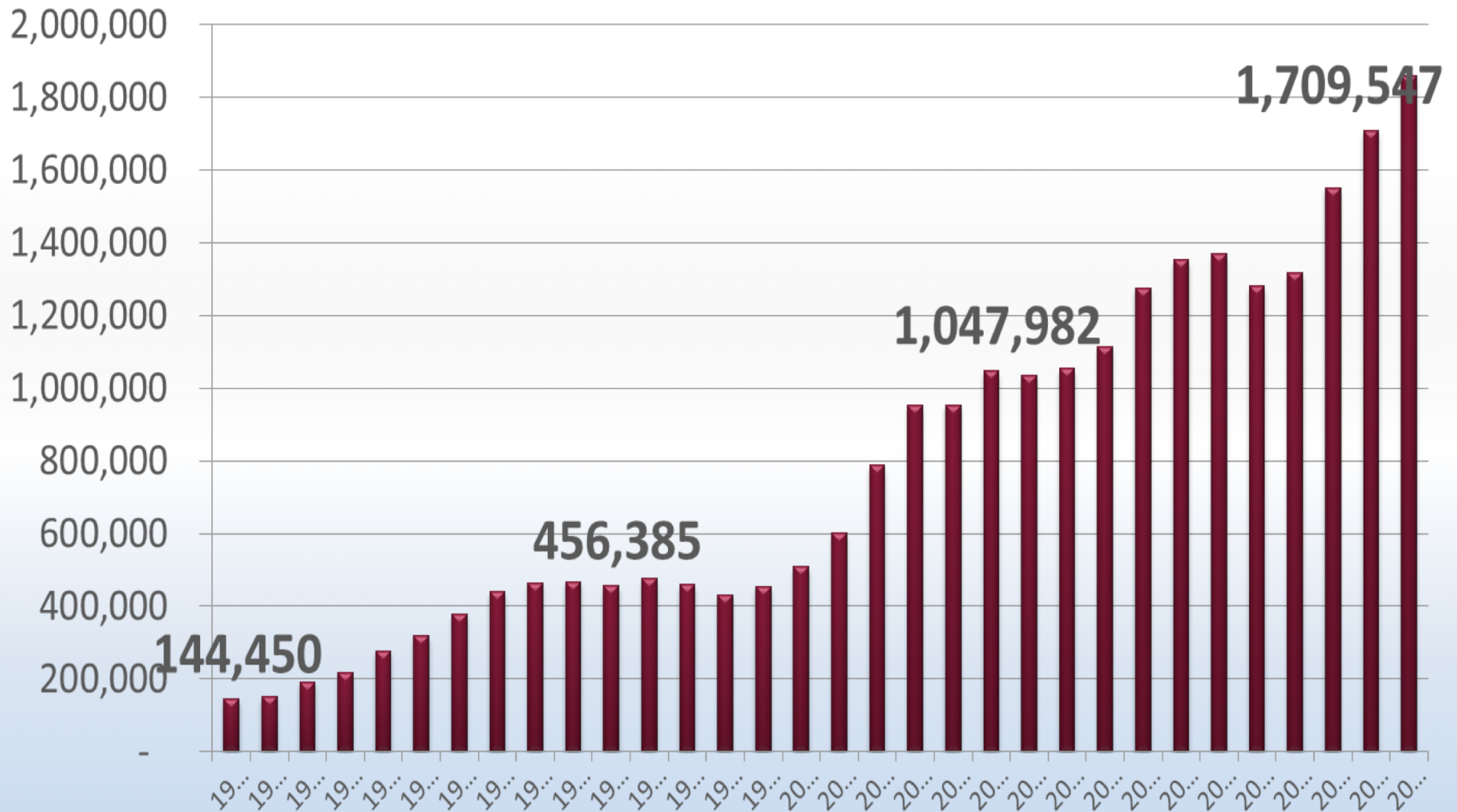


AHCCCS Contractors at a Glance



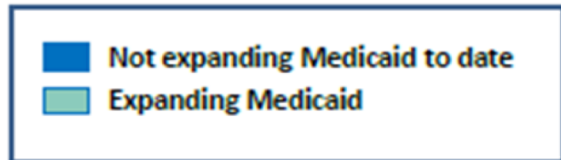
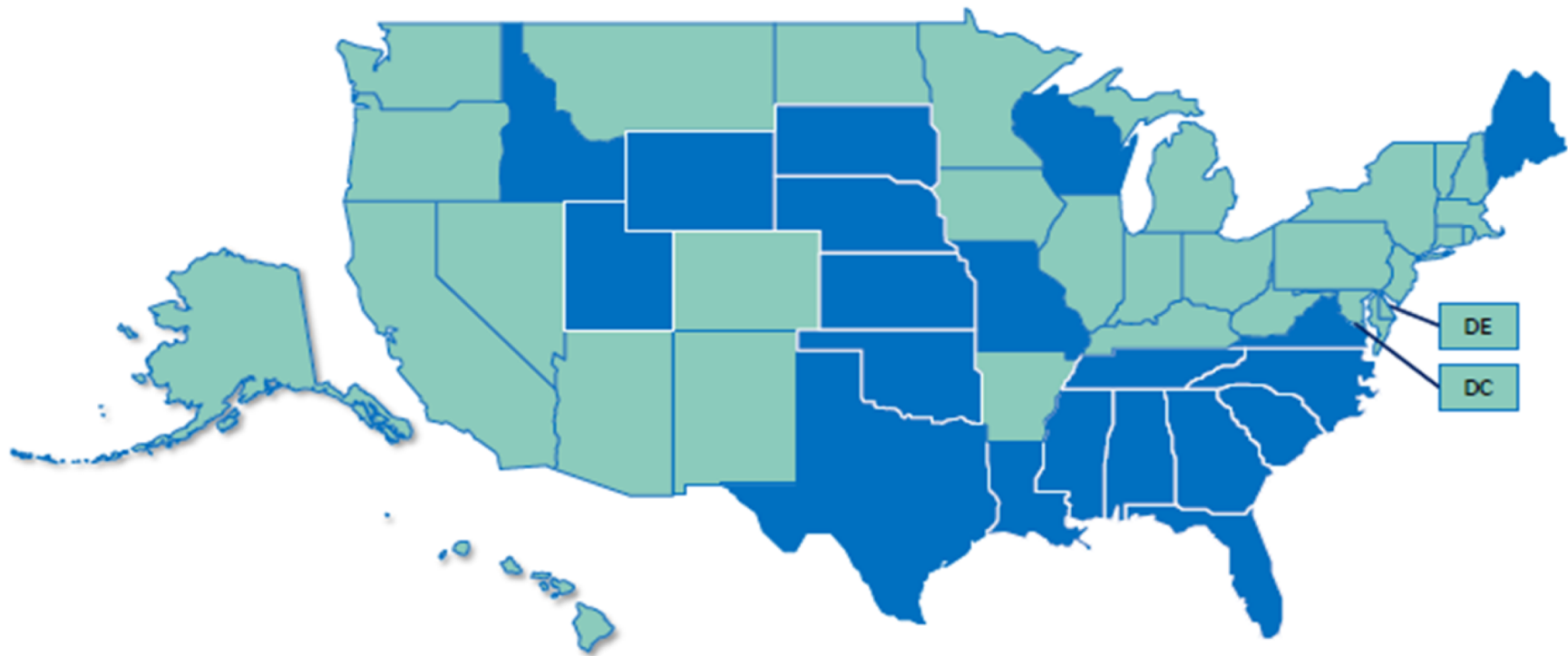


AHCCCS Enrollment Trend





Medicaid Expanded to 138% of Poverty



So far, 30 states and DC are expanding Medicaid to low-income adults in 2015



AHCCCS Initiatives

- Building A Health Care System: Care Coordination and Integration
- Incentivizing Quality: Payment Modernization
- Improving Communications: Health Information Technology
- Connecting Communities: The Importance of Private Sector Partners



Incentivizing Quality: Payment Modernization

- Align Payer & Provider Incentives
- Payment and Care Delivery Transformation
- Innovate through Competition
- Pay for Value



Delivery System Transformation Initiatives

1. Members with Serious Mental Illness
2. High Need High Cost - Super Utilizers
3. Dual Eligible Members – Alignment - BH
4. American Indian Health Program
5. Justice System Transitions
6. Health Information Technology
7. Blind Spot Data Sharing
8. Children with Special Needs



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Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS)



ADHS Mission & Vision

Vision

Health and Wellness for all Arizonans

Mission

To promote, protect, and improve the health and wellness of individuals and communities in Arizona



Preparedness Programs

- Epidemiology & Disease Control
 - Arizona's food safety system
 - Immunization programs (Vaccines for Children)
 - Infectious Diseases
- Public Health Emergency Preparedness
 - Hospital preparedness
 - Antiviral countermeasures
 - County public health readiness
- Emergency Medical Services
 - Regulates Arizona's "pre-hospital" system (e.g. ambulance service)
 - Trauma system development



Preparedness Programs

- Arizona Public Health Laboratory
 - Newborn screening for metabolic disorders
 - Food and water safety
 - Infectious disease reference lab
 - Clinical laboratory licensing

- Public Health Statistics
 - Tracks and emergency department and hospital discharge data
 - Birth defects, cancer and trauma registries
 - Tracks other public health statistics including rates of many chronic diseases, pregnancies, births and abortions



Prevention Programs

- Women Infant and Children (WIC)
 - Provides food assistance and other services for low income families (kids under 5)
 - 100% federally funded (USDA) serving approximately 100,000 families
- Maternal and Child Health
 - Block grant from federal government (HRSA)
 - Services provided based on annual needs assessment (e.g. home visiting)
- Chronic Disease Prevention
 - Tobacco cessation and prevention
 - Chronic disease and cancer prevention
- Health Systems Development
 - Loan repayment for underserved areas
 - Works with community health centers



Licensing & Regulatory Programs

- Medical Facility Licensing and Compliance
 - Hospitals
 - Outpatient treatment clinics
 - Abortion clinics
- Residential Facilities
 - Behavioral health services
 - Assisted Living facilities
- Long-term Care Facilities
 - Skilled nursing (nursing homes)
 - Residential homes for persons with developmental disabilities



Licensing & Regulatory Programs

- Special Licensing
 - Hearing aid dispensers
 - Speech and language pathologists
 - Licensed professional midwives
 - Medical marijuana dispensaries
- Childcare Facilities
 - Childcare centers
 - Small home-based childcare
- Vital Records
 - Manages Birth & Death Certificates, adoption records, medical marijuana cards
 - County health departments process walk-in Certificates



AZ State Hospital (ASH) & AZ Community Protection and Treatment Center (ACPTC)

- Civil Hospital (ASH)
 - Intensive psychiatric care
 - Goal is for community placement
- Forensic Hospital (ASH)
 - Persons determined to be “guilty except insane”
- Arizona Community Protection and Treatment Center (ACPTC)
 - Care and treatment to men adjudicated as Sexually Violent Persons (SVP)
 - All admissions/readmissions/discharges are court ordered