

NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening when an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking. Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process.

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN – CITIZENS’ AIDE

- 1. Title and its heading:** 2, Administration
Chapter and its heading: 16, Office of the Ombudsman – Citizens’ Aide
Articles and their headings: 1, General Provisions
2, Handling Confidential Material
3, Receiving and Processing Complaints
4, Conducting Investigations
5, Actions After an Investigation

Section numbers: R2-16-101, R2-16-208, R2-16-305, R2-16-403, R2-16-404, R2-16-405, and R2-16-503 (As part of this rulemaking, the Office may add, delete, or modify additional Sections as necessary.)
- 2. The subject matter of the proposed rules:**
This rulemaking arises from proposed agency action in the five-year review report approved by the Governor’s Regulatory Review Council on May 7, 2002. These Sections deal with the manner in which the Office of the Ombudsman – Citizens’ Aide handles confidential material, receives and processes complaints, conducts investigations, and publishes reports. The proposed rules will amend the Sections to increase clarity, conciseness, and understandability.
- 3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 8 A.A.R. 2968, July 19, 2002
- 4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rules:**

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- 5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**
Written and/or oral comments will be accepted between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at 3737 N. 7th Street, Ste. 209, Phoenix, AZ 85014.
- 6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:**
To be determined

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NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING
ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM
ADMINISTRATION

- 1. Title and its heading:** 9, Health Services
Chapter and its heading: 22, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System Administration
Article and its heading: 7, Standards for Payments
Section numbers: R9-22-706 and R9-22-708 (Other Sections may be added, deleted, or modified as necessary).
- 2. The subject matter of the proposed rules:**
The rules pertain to the payment for services provided to eligible Native Americans. The rules are being amended to make them more clear, concise, and understandable.
- 3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**
None
- 4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rules:**
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- 5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**
AHCCCS will accept written comments Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the address indicated in item #4. A public hearing will be scheduled later to provide a forum for interactive discussion with interested parties.
- 6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:**
AHCCCS anticipates filing a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in January 2004.

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ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM
ADMINISTRATION

- 1. Title and its heading:** 9, Health Services
Chapter and its heading: 22, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System Administration
Article and its heading: 7, Standards for Payments
Section numbers: R9-22-718 (Other Sections may be added, deleted, or modified as necessary.)
- 2. The subject matter of the proposed rule:**
AHCCCS is amending the rule to conform the language to A.R.S. § 36-2905.01. AHCCCS shall operate an urban hospital inpatient reimbursement program. Statute requires AHCCCS contractors to enter into a contract for reimbursement for inpatient hospital services with one or more hospitals located in each county with a population of more than 500,000 people. The rules shall be amended to conform to statute and be clear, concise, and understandable.
- 3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**
None
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6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:

AHCCCS anticipates filing a Notice of Exempt Rulemaking in March 2004.

**NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING
ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM
ARIZONA LONG-TERM CARE SYSTEM**

**1. Title and its heading:
Chapter and its heading:**

9, Health Services
28, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System
Arizona Long-term Care System

Article and its heading:

7, Standards for Payments

Section number:

R9-28-706 (Other Sections may be added, deleted, or modified as necessary.)

2. The subject matter of the proposed rule:

The subject matter of the proposed rule addresses AHCCCS payment requirements for inpatient and outpatient services. The rules are being amended to make them more clear, concise, and understandable.

3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:

None

4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:

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6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:

AHCCCS anticipates filing a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in January 2004.