

NOTICES OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

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[M11-238]

1. **Name of the agency:** Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)
2. **The Subject of this notice:** AHCCCS October 1, 2011 Provider Rate Reductions
3. **The public information relating to the subject:**
Laws 2011, Ch. 31, gives AHCCCS authority to reduce rates for all providers up to 5%. Effective October 1, 2011, AHCCCS will reduce by 5%:
All Provider Rates, Except for:
 - Drugs administered in a physician's office
 - Hospice rates - AHCCCS matches Medicare rates as required by Federal law.
 - Payments for services provided by the Indian Health Service or Tribal 638 facilities claimed at 100% FMAP.*All Payment Ratios:*
 - All payment ratios utilized for provider reimbursement will also be reduced by 5%. (e.g. all Cost-to-Charge Ratios (CCRs), By Report Percentages (BR), etc.)More information can be obtained from the AHCCCS web site at:
<http://www.azahcccs.gov/commercial/ProviderBilling/rates/rates.aspx>.
4. **A list of previous notices published in the Arizona Administrative Register relating to the notice of public information:**
None
5. **The name, address, and telephone number of agency personnel to whom questions and comment on the subject may be addressed:**
Written comments should be sent to the following address and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 30, 2011.
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