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Notices of Public Information contain corrections that agencies wish to make to their notices of rulemaking; miscellaneous rulemaking information that does not fit into any other category of notice; and other types of information required by statute to be published in the *Register*. Because of the variety of material that is contained in a Notice of Public Information, the Office of the Secretary of State has not established a specific format for these notices.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM (AHCCCS)

[M13-264]

1. <u>Title and its heading:</u> <u>Chapter and its heading:</u>

9, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) 22, AHCCCS - Administration

2. <u>The public information relating to the topic:</u>

The Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) expects the following changes to its Fee-For-Service (FFS) reimbursement for dates of service on and after October 1, 2013. The total change in FFS payments is an estimated increase of \$4,496,000.

• Transplant contracted rates will increase 3% to address access to care needs.

• Dental Rates will see an overall aggregate increase in payment of 2%. Individual targeted codes will be increased up to 3.2% to improve access to preventive care.

• Behavioral Health rates will mimic recent increases implemented by ADHS/DBHS and reflect ADHS licensure changes: community-based rates will increase 5.06% and rates for residential levels II and III will increase approximately 3%.

• Physician Fee Schedule rates designated for Primary Care Provider rate parity by the Affordable Care Act (E&M codes) are expected to increase by 0.9% effective January 1, 2014, for eligible providers.

• Emergency Ground Ambulance rates regulated by ADHS are estimated to increase aggregate provider payments by 2.5% due to ADHS increases.

• Nursing Facility and Home and Community Based Services rates will increase 1.5% due to cost of living increases.

3. <u>The name, address, and telephone number of agency personnel to whom questions and comments may be</u> addressed:

Written comments should be sent to the following address and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2013:

Name:	Michael Veit, Contracts and Purchasing Administrator
Address:	Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System
	701 E. Jefferson St.
	Phoenix, AZ 85034

More information can be obtained from the AHCCCS website at: http://www.azahcccs.gov/commercial/ProviderBilling/rates/rates.aspx

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

 1. <u>Title and its heading:</u>
 9, Health Services

 <u>Chapter and its heading:</u>
 17, Department of Health Services - Medical Marijuana Program

2. The public information relating to the topic:

In compliance with Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 36-2801.01 and Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) R9-17-106, the Arizona Department of Health Services (Department) is providing notice to the public of an upcoming public hearing to discuss the possible addition of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression, and migraines to the debilitating medical conditions listed in A.R.S. § 36-2801 and R9-17-201. Details of the public hearing are given in item 5.

3. The name, address, and telephone number of agency personnel to whom questions and comments on the public hearing may be addressed:

Name: Don Herrington, Assistant Director

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Telephone:	(602) 542-1023
Fax:	(602) 364-3266
Email:	Don.Herrington@azdhs.gov
or	
Name:	Robert Lane, Acting Manager
Address:	Department of Health Services Office of Administrative Council and Rules 1740 W. Adams, Suite 203 Phoenix, AZ 85007
Telephone:	(602) 542-1020
Fax:	(602) 364-1150
Email:	Robert.Lane@azdhs.gov

4. <u>The website where persons may obtain information about the rulemaking:</u> http://www.azdhs.gov/medicalmarijuana/debilitating/

5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:

The Department has scheduled the following public hearing:

Date:	October 29, 2013
Location:	250 N. 17th Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85007
Time:	9 a.m. to 10 a.m. — Migraines 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. — PTSD 11 a.m. to Noon — Depression

The Department will accept public comments on the possible addition of these conditions until 5 p.m. on October 29, 2013.

A person with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation for the public hearing, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Robert Lane at (602) 542-1020 or Robert.Lane@azdhs.gov. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

 1. Title and its heading:
 9, Health Services

 Chapter and its heading:
 25, Department of Health Services - Emergency Medical Services

2. <u>The public information relating to the topic:</u>

The statutes in Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) Title 36, Chapter 21.1, govern emergency medical services. The Department uses the authority granted by these statutes to make the rules in Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) Title 9, Chapter 25. Laws 2012, Chapter 94 makes changes to the statutes in A.R.S. Title 36, Chapter 21.1, which will require the Department to amend 9 A.A.C. 25. To facilitate these changes, Laws 2012, Chapter 94, § 29, gives the Department exempt rulemaking authority until December 31, 2013 to implement the changes made to statutes. Due to the extent of changes that need to be made, the Department is conducting this exempt rulemaking in phases. The first phase of the rulemaking was completed earlier this year in a Notice of Exempt Rulemaking published at 19 A.A.R. 282 and established the scope of practice, training requirements, and recertification requirements for each level of emergency medical care technician. Now the Department is making all other changes required by Laws 2012, Chapter 94, along with other changes to clarify, simplify, and update the rules. The Department has drafted revisions of 9 A.A.C. 25 and has posted the draft rules on the Department website at: http://www.azdhs.gov/ops/oacr/rules/rulemakings/active/index.php?pg=ems-2

This Notice of Public Information provides notice that the Department has posted the draft rules and is soliciting comments from interested persons.

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3. The name, address, and telephone number of agency personnel to whom questions and comments may be addressed:

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E-mail:	terry.mullins@azdhs.gov
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Name:	Robert Lane, Acting Manager
Address:	Department of Health Services Office of Administrative Counsel and Rules 1740 W. Adams, Suite 203 Phoenix, AZ 85007
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