

NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENINGS

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening whenever 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

ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM (AHCCCS)

- Title and its heading:** 9, Health Services

Chapter and its heading: 28, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) - Arizona Long-term Care System

Article and its heading: 1, Definitions
2, Covered Services
4, Eligibility and Enrollment
5, Program Contractor and Provider Standards
6, Program Contracts and Procurement Process
7, Standards for Payments
8, Grievance and Appeal Process
9, Third-party Liability
10, Civil Monetary Penalties

Section numbers: R9-28-101, R9-28-201 through R9-28-206, R9-28-401 through R9-28-405, R9-28-405, R9-28-407, R9-28-501 through R9-28-505, R9-28-508, R9-28-510 through R9-28-514, R9-28-601 through R9-28-607; R9-28-702 through R9-28-704, R9-28-706, R9-28-707, R9-28-709 through R9-28-711, R9-28-801 through R9-28-804, R9-28-901, R9-28-902, R9-28-906, and R9-28-1002 through R9-28-1004
- Subject matter of the proposed rules:**
The AHCCCS Administration is revising various Arizona Long-term Care System (ALTCS) rules, implementing recommendations made in a 5-year rule review. Many changes are nonsubstantive and are intended to clarify current ALTCS program procedures and bring the rules into conformity with current format and style requirements. Other changes reflect recent statutory changes and will make the rules consistent with current federal and state law. This is an amended docket opening.
- A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**
None published.
- Name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:**

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- The time during which written submissions may be made and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**
The AHCCCS Administration will accept written comments Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the address listed above. Public Hearings will be scheduled later, during which oral comments may be presented.
- A timetable for agency decisions or other action in the proceeding:**
The agency intends to hold public hearings in 1997.

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Article and its heading: 5, Program Contractor and Provider Standards

Section numbers: R9-28-507
- Subject matter of the proposed rules:**
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dures and bring the rules into conformity with current format and style requirements. In addition, these proposed rules reflect an administrative policy change that requires the program contractors, effective October 1, 1997, to be responsible for medically necessary services provided to members back to the date of eligibility. This rule language will be consistent with the proposed rule change to R9-28-705.

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

None published.

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