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AHCCCS Health IT Survey

Deadline April 15, 2021



**Please take 5-10 minutes to complete the AHCCCS Health IT Survey.
Click the button below to participate.**

**AHCCCS Health IT
Survey**

Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) is seeking survey participation to inform the status and use of Electronic Health Records (EHRs), Health Information Exchange (HIE), and other health information technology (health IT) use by providers and members of the Arizona healthcare community. The results will be used to:

- Identify challenges and barriers healthcare providers face to best plan health IT investments across the state.
- Maximize current health IT and HIE assets such as Health Current and identify future needs in the state.
- Better understand capabilities related to Social Determinants of Health (SDOH).
- Complete the final Health IT Environmental Scan (eScan) and update the State's Health Information Technology Plan (SMHP), as required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for the closure of the Promoting Interoperability (PI) Program.
- Develop ongoing state initiatives such as the PI Program and Targeted Investment (TI) Program.

This questionnaire has been designed to gather information about the work you do, the technology you use, and how information is exchanged to improve health outcomes. Please try to answer all of the questions.

- This survey will take 5-10 minutes to complete.

- Required questions are noted.
- Answers are saved as you complete each question.
- Responses are strictly confidential.

Please click [here](#) to participate in the AHCCCS Health IT Survey

Thank you in advance for your assistance in participating in this survey!

Should you have any questions, please contact: Lorie Mayer, Health IT Coordinator, at lorie.mayer@azahcccs.gov or Myers and Stauffer at AHCCCS_HealthIT@mslc.com.

Information Blocking Rule & HIE Policy Update: Effective April 1, 2021



On January 26, 2021, the Health Current Board of Directors approved changes to Health Current Policy to address the new federal Information Blocking Rule, which takes effect on April 1, 2021.

The health information exchange (HIE) Policy Manual describes Health Current and Participants' responsibilities for accessing data and making data available through the HIE. These updates are aimed at improving the functionality of the HIE and ensuring compliance with state and federal laws and regulations. Learn more about use of HIE data [here](#).

[Click here to review the new HIE Policy Manual](#)

Deadline April 1 to Participate in AHCCCS DAP Program CYE 2022

AHCCCS published its DAP CYE 2022 [Final Public Notice](#) on March 26, 2021. All eligible providers that have DAP incentives available related to the HIE must complete certain milestones, **including submission of a signed Letter of Intent (LOI) to AHCCCS and Health Current by April 1, 2021, to receive the following DAP financial incentives:**



AHCCCS Eligible Provider Types	HIE Incentive
Behavioral Health Outpatient Clinics (Type 77)	1.0%
Critical Access Hospitals (CAH)	10%*
Hospitals Subject to APR-DRG Reimbursement (Type 02) excluding Critical Access Hospitals	2.5%*
IHS and 638 Tribally Owned and/or Operated Facilities (Type 02)	2.5%
Integrated Clinics (Type IC)	10%
Nursing Facilities (Type 22)	1.0%
Other Hospitals and Inpatient Facilities (Types 71, B1, B3, B5, B6, C4)	2.5%*
*Hospitals, CAH and Other Inpatient Facilities will participate in HIE Data Quality Improvement activities. See Preliminary Public Notice for quality standards and criteria.	

One of the integral parts of the DAP incentives for many eligible Medicaid providers includes participation in and connectivity to a qualifying HIE. As Arizona’s statewide HIE, Health Current is here to support your participation in the AHCCCS DAP Contract Year End (CYE) 2022 Program.

To download LOI templates, watch recorded webinars or to learn more, [click here](#).

If you are not a Health Current participant but are interested in learning more about participation in order to receive DAP incentives, please contact the Health Current recruitment team at recruitment@healthcurrent.org or 602-688-7216.

**Increase efficiency. Improve care quality. Save time & money.
Receive higher AHCCCS payments. Participate in DAP Today.**



Social Determinants of Health Referral System Virtual Roadshow Information Series

Health Current is pleased to present a series of community education events created to provide a glimpse into the new social determinants of health (SDOH) referral system we are working to develop in an effort to address SDOH needs in Arizona.

We invite you to attend one of our virtual SDOH Roadshow presentations, held every Wednesday through April 28, to learn more about the new SDOH platform and initiative.

Each event features:

- An overview of the SDOH program
- A demonstration of the new SDOH referral system by our technology partner, NowPow
- Q&A forum

If you are interested in staying informed about our new SDOH referral system or to sign-up for the new service once available, please fill out the [SDOH Interest Form](#).

[Register Here for SDOH Roadshow Series](#)

**Save the Date | HIE User Group Meeting
Friday, April 30, 2021 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**



Topic: All About Alerts

Health Current is hosting a **virtual User Group Meeting** for HIE Participants. This is an opportunity to bring the HIE community together to connect with and learn from each other, understand how you can use HIE Alert services more effectively and provide valuable feedback. Mark your calendar now.

Details and registration coming soon!



Health Current, Arizona’s health information exchange (HIE) has developed the **CMS Conditions of Participation (CoP) Compliance (C3) Support** services to assist hospitals in meeting the new CMS Patient Event Notifications requirement. The HIE is well positioned to serve as an intermediary to help your organization meet the new CMS requirements.

The deadline for hospitals to comply with the new requirement is [May 2, 2021](#).

[Watch the C3 Support webinar or download the presentation here.](#)

To learn more about our C3 Support services, [click here](#). To download the CMS CoP White Paper, [click here](#) or contact **Peter Steinken**, Director of Community Engagement, at 602-464-9641 or peter.steinken@healthcurrent.org.

Migrate to the New HIE 3.0, Contact Your Account Manager Today



HIE Participants, don't delay! It's time to make the switch to HIE 3.0, our new HIE platform.

All HIE services are now available from the new platform, including:

- Real-time alerts,
- Batch alerts,
- Dynamic alerts, and
- Document Query & Retrieve ([Click here](#) for an explanation of how Query & Retrieve works.)

Make the Switch by June 30. To date, roughly 60 percent of participating organizations in Arizona are utilizing the new platform for HIE services, including [COVID-19 Alerts](#). We encourage you to follow their lead and migrate to the new platform.

You'll want to make the switch. The new platform is a vendor-agnostic, cloud-based solution that promises to offer **improved user experience, system performance, and reliability**.

Contact Your Account Manager Today! Migrating the above services to HIE 3.0 is a simple process – and it starts with you contacting your designated Health Current account manager or HIESupport@healthcurrent.org. **We ask that you begin your migration to the new HIE 3.0 platform before June 30, 2021.**

We thank you in advance for collaborating with our team to ensure a smooth transition of your organization to the new HIE 3.0 platform.

NOTE: Effective April 1, 2021, Microsoft's Internet Explorer® 11 (IE11) will no longer be included as a compatibility browser. It will be replaced by Microsoft Edge® in the **Health Current portal access** supported browsers list.

Welcome New HIE Participants



We want to welcome our newest participants to the HIE. For a complete list of HIE Participants, [click here](#).

To learn how the HIE can help your practice have more complete information for better care and better outcomes, contact **Jayme Pina, Manger, Recruitment & Engagement**, at 602-688-7216, via [email](#) or complete an [HIE Interest Form](#).

Company Name	Organization Type
Arizona Advanced Surgery	Community Provider
Cactus Children's Clinic	Community Provider
Genesis OB/GYN	Community Provider
Granite Orthopaedics	Community Provider
HealthCare Partners	Community Provider
Pima Pain Management	Community Provider
Yavapai Eye Care, LLC	Community Provider
Desert Cove Nursing Center	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Good Samaritan Society - Prescott Village	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Heritage Health Care Center	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Life Care Center of North Glendale	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Life Care Center of Paradise Valley	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Life Care Center of Scottsdale	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Life Care Center of Sierra Vista	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Life Care Center of Tucson	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Life Care Center of Yuma	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Mi Casa Nursing Center	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care
Payson Care Center	Long-Term and Post-Acute Care

Information Blocking – Resources for Healthcare Providers

The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) published the [Information Blocking Final Rule](#) on May 1, 2020. The Information Blocking Rule ([45 C.F.R. Part 171](#)) **went into effect on June 30, 2020**. The compliance deadline, originally scheduled for November 2, 2020, has been [extended to April 5, 2021](#).



The Information Blocking Rule implements a requirement of the [21st Century Cures Act](#), which prohibits healthcare providers, health information technology (IT) developers, health information networks (HINs) and health information exchanges (HIEs) from impermissibly interfering with the access, exchange or use of electronic health information (EHI).

Health Current, Arizona's HIE, is providing the following documents to assist organizations to comply with the new rule. [Learn More](#)

Stay Covered, Stay Healthy, #MaskUpAZ

Cover your mouth and nose. Avoid side gaps.



Source: CDC



[Click this link](#) for outreach materials you can share to remind everyone to #MaskUpAZ.

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