# Arkansas HFMA Fall Conference 2021

**AFMC Provider Relations** 









#### Medicaid Website Transition

- <u>www.medicaid.mmis.arkansas.gov</u> transitions to www.humanservices.arkansas.gov
- This migration does not affect the MMIS eligibility portal

#### Provider Manual Updates, Official Notices, RA Messages

■ These can be found on the new Medicaid webpage:

https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/divisions-sharedservices/medical-services/helpful-information-for-providers/feeschedules/







## Covid-19 Response Manuals

- The initial emergency manual became effective 4/1/21 and lasted 120 days.
- After promulgation, the emergency manual was broken into 6 parts.
  Each became effective 7/1/21 and last until 12/31/21.
- Some exceptions could go past the 12/31/21 date to be consistent with the Federal Health Emergency.
- https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/covid-19/dhs-response-tocovid-19/updates-for-providers/







## Medicaid Reimburses 3 Types of ED Visits

- **Assessment** An assessment does not require a PCP referral; however, the individual being assessed must be enrolled with a PCP for the assessment to be covered.
- Non-Emergent A non-emergent visit requires a PCP referral for reimbursement of services. Referrals are at the discretion of the assigned PCP, and the PCP is not required to make retroactive referrals.
- Emergent Emergency services are inpatient or outpatient hospital services that a prudent layperson with an average knowledge of health and medicine would reasonably believe are necessary to prevent death or serious impairment of health and which, because of the danger to life or health, must be obtained at the most accessible hospital available and equipped to furnish those services. Emergency services are subject to emergency retrospective review. If your facility bills a greater number of emergent claims, you are subject to a higher percentage of claims to be reviewed. For more information about emergency retrospective reviews please visit <a href="https://afmc.org/review/emergency-room/">https://afmc.org/review/emergency-room/</a>.







- Non-emergent treatment occurs after an assessment has been performed and the beneficiary is deemed non-emergent and is given the choice and elects to receive non-emergent treatment in the ED, rather than being discharged after receiving an assessment and referred to their PCP for follow up care.
- The only time Medicaid will reimburse for non-emergent treatment in the ED without a PCP referral is when non-emergent treatment is rendered on the same day the beneficiary was assigned to a PCP by the ED.







## PCP Assignment in the ED

PCP assignment can be made during the beneficiary's ED visit by calling the Voice Response System (VRS) (800-805-1512) and following the automated PCP assignment steps.

The PCP assignment service must be billed on the same claim form as the non-emergent treatment. The hospital will receive a \$5 fee for assigning the PCP the beneficiary selected.







#### **PCP** Referral

- For those beneficiaries who have a PCP when they present to the ED, it's their PCP's discretion whether to give a referral for non-emergent treatment in the ED. This includes non-emergent treatment given in the ED after normal PCP office hours.
- \*AFMC's policy and education outreach services representatives educate PCPs not to give referrals to the ED for non-emergent treatment, especially during office hours.







## DMS 2609 - English

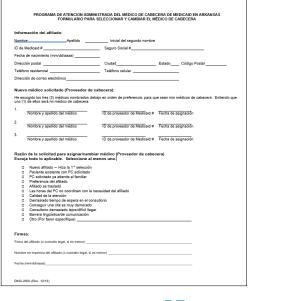








# Spanish DMS 2609

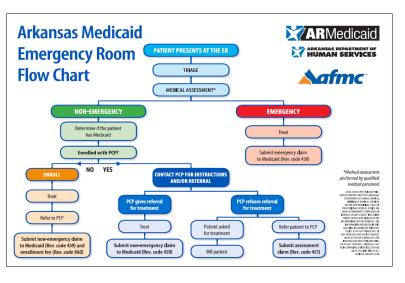








## **ED Flowchart**

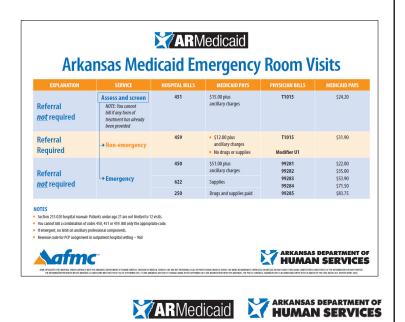


















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## Requirements for PCP Assignments

73.400 PCP Selection and Enrollment at Participating Hospitals

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Arkansas Medicaid pays acute care hospitals for helping Medicaid beneficiaries enroll with PCPs.

- Enrollment is by means of a Primary Care Physician Selection and Change form (DMS-2609 or DCO-2609) and the voice response system (VRS).
  - 1. Hospital personnel enter the PCP selection via the VRS.
  - The enrollment is effective immediately upon its acceptance by the online transaction processor (OLTP) that interfaces with the VRS.
  - The OLTP automatically updates the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) within 24 hours, but in the meantime, the enrollment information is part of the Medicaid eligibility file in the system.
- The effective date of the PCP enrollment is the date the enrollment is electronically accepted.
- C. The enrollee may request and receive a copy of the completed selection form.
- Hospital staff must forward a copy of the selection form to the PCP accepted by the VRS.







#### **ARHOME**

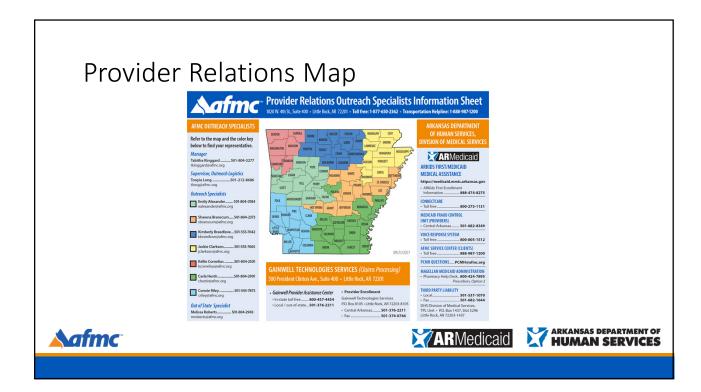
Arkansas's Medicaid expansion program, Arkansas Works, expires at the end of 2021, and the Arkansas General Assembly has approved the Arkansas Health and Opportunity for Me (ARHOME) program to replace it. ARHOME will continue using Medicaid funding to purchase private health insurance for eligible low-income adults. ARHOME will add new features, including:

- Building provider capacity for behavioral health
- Quality metrics to hold health plans accountable
- Intensive services to address the health and social needs of women with high-risk pregnancies, individuals with serious mental illness or substance use disorder, and young adults who are veterans or were formerly incarcerated or in foster care









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# PCP Update Packet

View our quarterly packets at <a href="mailto:afmc.org/PCPUpdatePackets">afmc.org/PCPUpdatePackets</a>







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