

# **1022 JUSTICE REACH-IN**

# EFFECTIVE DATE: January 18, 2023

REFERENCES: 42 CFR § 438.62(b); A.R.S.§ 36-551; AMPM 1022; AMPM 541

#### PURPOSE

This policy applies to the Division's Administrative Services Subcontractors (AdSS). This policy outlines requirements for the AdSS to develop a process for justice system reach-in care coordination activities, to support facilitating transition of members who have chronic and/or complex care needs out of jails and prisons, into communities.

# DEFINITIONS

- "Administrative Services Subcontract/Subcontractor" means a person (individual or entity) who holds an Administrative Services Subcontract is an Administrative Services Subcontractor. Providers are not Administrative Services Subcontractors.
- "Care Management" means a group of activities performed to identify and manage clinical interventions or alternative treatments for identified members to



reduce risk, cost, and help achieve better health outcomes. Distinct from Case Management, Care Management does not include the day-to-day duties of service delivery.

3. "Justice System Liaison" for the purpose of this policy means a Division staff person who is located in Arizona and is the single point of contact for justice system stakeholders, such as jails/prisons/detention facilities, courts, law enforcement, and community supervision agencies. This position is responsible for ensuring care coordination of justice-involved members and for oversight and reporting of Justice System reach-in Care Coordination activities. This position also serves as the single point of contact for justice system stakeholders engaged programmatically in arrest diversion or incarceration alternative initiatives intended to reduce the number of individuals from entering the justice system. This includes, but is not limited to, sequential intercept modeling, crisis system utilization, and



specialty court programs.

#### POLICY

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- Administrative Services Subcontractors shall notify the Division's Justice System Liaison, upon becoming aware that a Division member has become an inmate of a public institution.
- The AdSS shall assist the Justice System Liaison in reach-in care coordination efforts, for members who have been incarcerated for 20 days or longer and have an anticipated release date.
- 3. The AdSS shall establish care management protocols for members involved in reach-in care coordination, which include but are not limited to members who have substance abuse disorder and/or meet medical necessity criteria to receive Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT), as consistent with AMPM 1022.
- 4. The AdSS shall notify the Division upon becoming aware that the incarcerated member's enrollment has not been suspended



to allow the Division to adjust eligibility dates, based upon AHCCCS' notification of incarceration in AHCCCS' 834 files sent to the Division.

- 5. The AdSS shall also utilize the renewal date information to identify incarcerated members who may have missed their eligibility redetermination dates while incarcerated causing a discontinuance of benefits, and provide assistance with reapplication for AHCCCS Medical Assistance upon release.
- 6. The AdSS must develop policies and processes to collaborate with the Arizona Department of Corrections, Rehabilitation, and Reentry (ADCRR) to provide care management to members
- 7. The AdSS shall begin reach-In care activities upon knowledge of a member's anticipated release date and shall include education regarding care, services, resources, appointment information, subcontracted provider and care management contact information.
- 8. The AdSS shall monitor progress and submit a monitoring



progress report throughout the year as specified in the current

Contract.

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