

NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Division of Developmental Disabilities is seeking public comment on proposed changes to the **Division Medical Manual Policy 310-I Home Health Services**. This policy is being revised for the 3rd time due to public comment and further revisions made by AHCCCS.

- The statement about the Division providing Home Health Services was revised to say "The Division shall permit Home Health Services provided by a non-Medicare certified, State licensed HHA or AHCCCS registered Independent RN..." to align with the AMPM 310-I
- The acronym for "Assisted Living Facility" (ALF) was added to align with the AMPM 310-I
- The following information about gastronomy feedings was revised:
 - The statement "The Division shall have safeguards in place to monitor processes for gastrostomy tube feedings." was revised to read "The Division shall have processes in place to monitor training for Members with newly placed gastronomy tubes."
 - An additional statement was added that the Division shall provide additional training for caregivers for a newly placed gastrostomy tube.

Dates: Public comment will be open for 30 days beginning January 2, 2025 and closing February 1, 2025. Comments must be received no later than February 1, 2025, 11:59 pm, Arizona time.

Instructions: (Complete instructions are located on the Division's <u>webpage</u>)

- The policy may be viewed by clicking <u>here</u>.
- Comments may be submitted online by clicking <u>here</u>.
- Use the line numbers to reference specific comments.
- Do not include any information that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure.

If access to the online form is not available, comments can be submitted by email to the DDD Policy Unit at <u>DDDpolicy@azdes.gov</u>.

- Submit your comments, along with your full name, mailing address, and phone number.
- If you represent an organization, include the organization's name.

For further information contact the DDD Policy Unit at <u>DDDpolicy@azdes.gov</u>.