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4 **320-__M MEDICAL MARIJUANA AND CBD OIL PRODUCTS**

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6 EFFECTIVE DATE: March 2, 2015

7 ~~RR~~ERENCE: AMPM 320-M Medical Marijuana (Revision Date 07/11/2018),

8 https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/schedules/orangebook/e_cs_sched.pdf

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10 This policy establishes requirements for the use of medical marijuana and all Cannabidiol
11 (CBD) products (regardless of plant derivation). This policy does not affect the storage or
12 administration of Federally reimbursed, Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved,
13 appropriately prescribed by a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, dentist or other
14 AHCCCS approved practitioner and medications dispensed by a State of Arizona Licensed
15 Pharmacy (not a dispensary).

16 **Policy**

17 The Division covers medically necessary federally reimbursable medications prescribed by
18 physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, dentist or other AHCCCS approved
19 practitioner and dispensed by a licensed AHCCCS registered pharmacy, as defined in 9 A.A.C.
20 22, Article 2. Under 42 CFR 440.120 Medical Marijuana or CBD Oil products do not qualify as
21 federally reimbursable medications.

22 The Division does not currently cover and has never covered medical marijuana or CBD Oil as
23 a medical or pharmacy benefit. The Division will not provide reimbursement for an office visit
24 or any other services that are primarily for the purpose of determining if a member would
25 benefit from Medical Marijuana. The Division recognizes that registered providers operating
26 within the scope of their license may recommend the use of medical marijuana or CBD Oil
27 although it is not a covered benefit.

28 Under no circumstance shall any employee of the [redacted] and any owner, director,
29 principal, agent, employee, subcontractor, volunteer, and staff of the Division's service
30 providers administer or store medical marijuana or CBD Oil products (regardless of the plant)
31 for Division members unless the product meets the above criteria (federally reimbursable
32 medications prescribed by physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, dentist or other
33 AHCCCS approved practitioner and dispensed by a licensed AHCCCS registered pharmacy).

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