



**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FORM**

**RFI SABG Supplemental Funding**

**Task Order # YH21-0067**

Questions shall be submitted electronically on this form to [procurement@azahcccs.gov](mailto:procurement@azahcccs.gov) no later than

**March 5, 2021 5:00 PM ARIZONA TIME**

| Question # | VENDOR NAME           | Paragraph # or Title             | Page # | Vendor Question                                                                             | Leave Blank for AHCCCS Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| 1.         | Health Choice Arizona | 2. PURPOSE of RFI and BACKGROUND | 3      | Can SABG and MHBG supplemental funds be used to fund non-encounterable programs/activities? | This question cannot be answered without additional details. If there is a need to fund non-encounterable activities, please indicate so in the response to the RFI.                                                                                         |
| 2.         | Health Choice Arizona | 2. PURPOSE of RFI and BACKGROUND | 3      | Can funds be used for programs/activities in the Central region?                            | AHCCCS anticipates contractors will receive funds to provide services to members who reside in in their designated regions                                                                                                                                   |
| 3.         | Health Choice Arizona | 2. PURPOSE of RFI and BACKGROUND | 3      | What methodology will AHCCCS use to determine RBHA allocation amounts?                      | This has not yet been determined.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 4.         | Health Choice Arizona | 2. PURPOSE of RFI and BACKGROUND | 3      | Does AHCCCS have any indication of how much funding RBHAs can anticipate receiving?         | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable. |
| 5.         | Health Choice Arizona | 2. PURPOSE of RFI and BACKGROUND | 3      | Will funds be distributed on CER basis?                                                     | This has not yet been determined.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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| 6.  | Health Choice Arizona | 2. PURPOSE of RFI and BACKGROUND | 3 | Can supplemental funds be used for program start-up costs?                                                                                                                                                | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br><br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 7.  | Health Choice Arizona | 2. PURPOSE of RFI and BACKGROUND | 3 | How will retro-Medicaid eligibility be addressed (if different from current) in the context of continuity of care?                                                                                        | AHCCCS does not anticipate a change in this process.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 8.  | Health Choice Arizona | 3.1.2                            | 3 | Is it possible for this funding to be used for the acquisition of affordable housing specific to serve SUD-homeless populations?                                                                          | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br><br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 9.  | Health Choice Arizona | 5.2                              | 4 | Is there any restriction requiring that funds go towards services only for currently enrolled SABG priority populations or will it extend to new enrollments & “all other users as funding is available”? | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br><br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 10. | Health Choice Arizona | 5.4-5.6                          | 4 | Will the RBHA be responsible for utilizing supplemental funds for prevention after June, 2021?                                                                                                            | No.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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| 11. | Health Choice Arizona | 5.4-5.6   | 4 | How does the prevention requirement listed in 3.1.4 and ongoing RBHA requirements intersect with AHCCCS taking prevention responsibilities July 1?     | Not applicable to RBHAs after 7/1/21.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 12. | Health Choice Arizona | 5.4       | 4 | Can funds be provided to schools to purchase and fund their own substance use prevention programs?                                                     | SABG Primary Prevention funds will no longer be distributed to the RBHAs 7/1/21. If this is a need, please indicate so in the RFI.                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 13. | Health Choice Arizona | 5.6       | 4 | Can SABG funds be used to purchase fentanyl testing strips?                                                                                            | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 14. | Health Choice Arizona | 5.8       | 5 | Can funds be provided to providers and non-network subcontractors (e.g. County Health Depts) to purchase and distribute overdose reversal medications? | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 15. | Health Choice Arizona | 5.10-5.11 | 5 | Can funds be used to pay for identified trainings?                                                                                                     | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 16. | Health Choice Arizona | 5.34      | 7 | Will the GPRA be required for members served with supplemental funding?                                                                                | AHCCCS does not yet know the requirements or restrictions for the supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are                                                                                |

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| 17. | Arizona Complete Health – Complete Care Plan | 3.1      | 3 | Will the supplemental funding for both SABG and MHBG be able to cover non-claims based initiatives?                                                                  | AHCCCS does not yet know the requirements or restrictions for the supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 18. | Deltek                                       | Overview | 2 | Is this a new requirement, or is there a vendor currently providing these services? If so, what is the vendor name, the contract term and the value of the contract? | The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare for one-time supplemental federal funds that have not yet been allocated to the state.                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 19. | Deltek                                       | Timeline | 3 | Is there a timeline for a formal solicitation to be reached?                                                                                                         | Currently, AHCCCS is gathering information through this RFI.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 20. | Mercy Care                                   | 5.8      | 5 | Will this allow for contracted providers to use SABG funds to purchase and distribute overdose reversal medications?                                                 | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI.  |
| 21. | Mercy Care                                   | 3.1.2    | 3 | Does this reference programming or contractor costs and initiatives outside of state-only covered services?                                                          | If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

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| 22. | Mercy Care | 5                  | 2     | Will new priority populations be considered based on demonstrated community need?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | If there is a need to prioritize additional populations, please indicate so in the response to the RFI.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 23. | Mercy Care | 4                  | 1 & 3 | Confirm due date of RFI.. Page 1 suggests 3/15... page 3 table suggests 3/11                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | RFI responses are due on March 15, 2021.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 24. | Mercy Care | 5.2 and throughout | 4     | Several areas of the RFI reference expansion activities related to outreach and engagement or activities which are commonly non-encounterable; would cost reimbursement and funding of personnel or programming expansion be acceptable to advance for non-encounterable outreach positions, similar to MHBG SED outreach as listed in AMPM320-T1? | AHCCCS does not yet know the requirements or restrictions for the supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI.                                                                              |
| 25. | Mercy Care | 5.14               | 5     | Can the intent be modifier to include single parenting fathers as well? Can it be reframed to "single parents or caregivers and their families"                                                                                                                                                                                                    | AHCCCS is unable to reframe SAMHSA's current priority populations.<br>Regarding the supplemental funding, AHCCCS does not yet know the requirements or restrictions. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 26. | Mercy Care | 5.34               | 7     | Would contingencies or member incentives permitted to galvanize member participation with GPRA?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI.                                                                               |

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| 27. | Mercy Care                      | 5.35                                 | 7                 | Would temporary rental subsidies or short-term rental assistance be permitted for members in recovery seeking recovery housing or permanent supportive housing be permitted? (Cost reimbursement basis)                                             | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 28. | Mercy Care                      | 5.35                                 | 7                 | Funding to support member costs associated with necessary documentation for securing housing or recovery housing(Birth certificates, State issued Id, SSN) permitted?                                                                               | AHCCCS does not yet know amounts, restrictions, or timelines for supplemental funding. The RFI is intended to help AHCCCS plan and prepare so that the one-time additional funds are used to meet the most prominent needs for which expenses are allowable.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI. |
| 29. | Mercy Care                      | 5.35                                 | 7                 | Funding to support expansion of member access to recovery-oriented telehealth-capable devices permitted?                                                                                                                                            | AHCCCS does not anticipate this being an allowable expense.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 30  | Mercy Care                      | 5.3                                  | 4                 | How would activities or initiatives affiliated with supplemental prevention dollars impact the transition of prevention-funded activities with the contractor to AHCCCS within the supplemental funding period.                                     | SABG Primary Prevention funds will no longer be distributed to the RBHAs 7/1/21.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 31. | Mercy Care                      | 5.35                                 | 7                 | Would assistance with utilities be allowable for this supplemental round as many members served may be encountering impact from pandemic in this area (especially considering nearing anniversary of start of pandemic and entering summer months). | AHCCCS does not anticipate this being an allowable expense.<br>If this is a need, please indicate so in the response to the RFI.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 32. | UnitedHealthcare Community Plan | Cover page and Paragraph 4. Timeline | PDF pages 1 and 3 | Please clarify the RFI due date. Is the due date March 15, 2021 at 3:00 pm (cover page) or March 11, 2021 at no specific time (page 3)?                                                                                                             | RFI responses are due on March 15, 2021.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| 33. | UnitedHealthcare<br>Community Plan | Paragraph 1.<br>Overview | PDF page 2 | Does AHCCCS plan on distributing the one-time Federal funds to the RBHA/TRBHA or is any AHCCCS ACC, LTC or RBHA/TRBHA contractor eligible to receive the funds? | This has not yet been determined. |
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