

Standards Appointment Availability For All AHCCCS Members

Your AHCCCS health plan is required to ensure that you can see medical professionals in a timely manner. The following standards apply to Primary Care Providers (PCP), Specialist, Dental, Maternity, and Behavioral Health providers.

If you have a medical issue due to a severe illness, injury, condition or worsening symptoms, please make an Urgent Care appointment.



APPOINTMENT STANDARDS				
PROVIDER TYPE	URGENT	ROUTINE		
Primary Care Provider (PCP)	No later than 2 business days of request*	Within 21 calendar days of request		
Specialty Provider Referrals	No later than 2 business days of request*	Within 45 calendar days of referral		
Dental (AHCCCS Oral Health Care is a covered service for AHCCCS members between the ages of birth to 21.)	No later than 3 business days of request	Within 45 calendar days of request Within 30 calendar days of request**		
Maternity	High risk pregnancies - no later than 3 business days of identification of high risk by contractor* or immediately if an emergency exists	Initial prenatal care appointments 1st trimester – within 14 calendar days of request		
		2 nd trimester – within 7 calendar days of request		
		3 rd trimester – within 3 business days of request		
Within 30 calendar days of request**	No later than 24 hours from identification of need*	Initial assessment within 7 calendar days of referral or request for service;		
		For members 18 years or older 1st service following assessment no later than 23 calendar days after initial assessment;*		
		For members under the age of 18 years old, no later than 21 days after the initial assessment, and		
		All following services no later than 45 calendar days from identification of need*		
Psychotropic Medications	Urgency will be assessed immediately	No later than 30 calendar days from request. Appointments will be provided, if necessary, to ensure that: (a) the member does not run out of medications; or (b) the member does not decline in behavioral health.		

^{*}As quickly as the health condition requires, but no later than the timeframes noted above.

If you cannot get an appointment within the approved timeframes, please contact your AHCCCS health plan.

The Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) is committed to ensuring the availability of timely, quality health care. If you know of an AHCCCS member who is unable to access health services, or if you have a concern about the quality of care, please call your AHCCCS health care plan's Member Services number. If your concern is not resolved, please call AHCCCS Clinical Resolution Unit at 602-364-4558, or 1-800-867-5308.

Reference: ACOM 417

^{**}For Comprehensive Medical and Dental Program (CMDP) routine care only.

AHCCCS Health Plan Contacts

AHCCCS ACUTE CARE/INTEGRATED HEALTH PLANS				
Arizona Complete Health - Complete Care Plan Customer Service 1-888-788-4408 www.azcompletehealth.com/completecare	Mercy Care Customer Service 1-800-624-3879 www.mercycareaz.org			
Care 1st Health Plan Customer Service 1-866-560-4042 www.care1staz.com	Molina Complete Care Customer Service 1-800-424-5891 www.mccofaz.com			
Banner – University Family Care Customer Service 1-800-582-8686 www.bannerufc.com/acc	United Healthcare Community Plan Customer Service 1-800-348-4058 www.uhccommunityplan.com			
Health Choice Arizona Customer Services 1-800-322-8670 www.healthchoiceaz.com	Mercy Care Department of Child Safety Comprehensive Health Plan Customer Service 1-833-711-0776 mercycareaz.org/members/chp-members			

LONG TERM CARE HEALTH PLANS (PROGRAM CONTRACTORS)				
Banner – University Family Care LTC Customer Service 1-833-318-4146 www.bannerufc.com	Mercy Care LTC Customer Services 1-800-624-3879 www.mercycareaz.org			
United Healthcare LTC Customer Service 1-800-293-3740 www.uhccommunityplan.com	Department of Economic Security/ Division of Developmental Disabilities (DES/DDD) Customer Service 1-844-770-9500 www.azdes.gov/ddd/			

AHCCCS COMPLETE CARE - REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AGREEMENTS				
Arizona Complete Health - ACC-RBHA Customer Service 1-888-788-4408 www.azcompletehealth.com/completecare	Mercy Care ACC-RBHA Customer Service 1-800-564-5465 www.mercycareaz.org	Care1st ACC-RBHA Customer Service 1-866-560-4042 www.care1staz.com		