

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	No later than 2 business days of request	Within 45 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 1 st 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
Behavioral Health	No later than 24 hours from identification of need*	Initial assessment within 7 calendar days of referral or request for service; 1 st service following assessment no later than 23 calendar days after initial assessment*; 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 behavioral health care. If you know of an AHCCCS member who is unable to access behavioral 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.

AHCCCS Health Plan Contacts

AHCCCS ACUTE CARE/INTEGRATED HEALTH PLANS		
Arizona Complete Health Customer Service 1-888-788-4408 www.azcompletehealth.com/completecure	Mercy Care Customer Service 1-800-624-3879 www.mercycareaz.org	Magellan Complete Care Customer Service 1-800-424-5891 www.mccofaz.com
Care 1 st Health Plan Customer Service 1-866-560-4042 www.care1staz.com	Banner – University Family Care Customer Service 1-800-582-8686 www.bannerufc.com/acc	Steward Health Choice Arizona Customer Services 1-800-322-8670 www.stewardhealthchoiceaz.com
Department of Economic Security Division of Developmental Disabilities (DES/DDD) Customer Service 1-844-770-9500 www.azdes.gov/ddd/	Comprehensive Medical Dental Program 602-351-2245 or 1-800-201-1795 dcs.az.gov/cmdp	United Healthcare Community Plan Customer Service 1-800-348-4058 www.uhccommunityplan.com
AHCCCS CLINICAL RESOLUTION UNIT (JACOB'S LAW – FOSTER/KINSHIP/ADOPTIVE)		
Phone 602-364-4558 or 800-867-5808 DCS@azahcccs.gov		
LONG TERM CARE HEALTH PLANS (PROGRAM CONTRACTORS)		
Banner – University LTC Customer Service 1-833-318-4146 www.bannerufc.com	Mercy Care Long Term Care (ALTCS) Customer Services 1-800-624-3879 www.mercycareaz.org	
United Healthcare LTC Customer Service 1-800-293-3740 www.uhccommunityplan.com	LTC DD DES Customer Service 1-800-770-9500 www.azdes.gov/ddd/	