IMPORTANT CHANGES TO TI Y5 ATTESTATION PROCESS

The Year 5 Attestation Portal is now open until March 11, 2022 at 5:00pm. Consistent with prior years, each participating site must submit their Year 5 attestation in order to be paid for any passed milestones in the year. Non-Hospital participants must submit their attestation for the IPAT score and QIC attendance; Hospital participants must submit an attestation for the QIC attendance only. Although participants will not need to attest to performance-measure milestones (milestone attainment is calculated later), attestation must be submitted for the other milestones to confirm ongoing TI Program participation.

IMPORTANT YEAR 6 CHANGE: Participants MUST confirm the service address and AHCCCS Provider ID (BH and Hospital participants only) linked to the TI attestation is accurate as of 9/30/2021 (or the last day the clinic was open) before submitting attestation. The attestation cannot be recorded until the service address (and AHCCCS Provider ID for BH and hospital participants) is correct. If this information is incorrect, participants must:

1) Confirm or update the AHCCCS Provider Enrollment Portal (APEP) to reflect the correct service address, including the suite number when applicable;

2) Email Targeted Investments to ensure communication of the change;

3) Wait to submit attestation until the TI team has updated the attestation portal with the corrected information.

TI staff cannot update the TI attestation portal until the information is updated in APEP.

The linked Year 5 milestone documents, below, detail the necessary criteria for each milestone in each Area of Concentration. This includes the attendance requirements associated with the Targeted Investments Program Quality Improvement Collaborative (QIC) and the barbells (weighting) associated with each milestone. These documents are also posted on the TI Program web page in the colored boxes. We recommend participants confirm an AHCCCS
Online Account Holder has access to the "Targeted Investments" link (in the left hand quick links) as soon as possible, especially if there has been changes in authorized users since the last attestation period.

AHCCCS Online Portal
Instructions on How to Attest
Adult PCP Year 5 Milestones
Adult BH Year 5 Milestones
Justice Year 5 Milestones
Peds PCP Year 5 Milestones
Peds BH Year 5 Milestones
Hospital Year 5 Milestones

Y6 TIP QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (QI) WORKGROUPS

TIPQIC is offering optional QI Workgroups in addition to general QIC meetings required for Y6 QIC Milestone attainment. The QI Workgroups will be intensive work sessions, designed to assist TI providers with improving metrics related to TIP measures. Participants must register to receive credit for attendance. CEU units are also available to those who attend the workgroups sessions.

The QI Workgroups will be measure specific and organized as follows:

- Adult Primary Care Providers/Behavior Health Providers Follow-up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH) Measures
- Pediatric Behavioral Health Providers Follow-up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH) Measures
- Pediatric Primary Care Providers Child and Adolescent Well-Care Visits (W15, W34, AWC) Measures
- Adult Primary Care Providers/Behavior Health Providers and Pediatric Behavioral Health Providers Diabetes Screening (SSD)/Metabolic Monitoring (APM) for People on Antipsychotic Medications Measures

Attendees must register and join the QICs through their own personalized link to receive attendance credit. Register for the QIC General sessions here (Adult, Peds). Register for the QIC Workgroups here.

For information visit the TIP Quality Improvement Workgroups available on the TIPQIC Website.

QIC & IPAT MILESTONES REVISION

For TI Year 6, AHCCCS has increased the QIC attendance and IPAT milestone weight to a combined 20% of payment. QIC attendance milestone is 15% and IPAT milestone is 5% respectively. The adjustment to these base milestones also includes decreasing the weights of certain other milestones in the various Areas of Concentration.

REVISED QIC ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT:

1) Participants must attend all 4 general QICs (January, April, June, and September).
2) Participants must attend at least 3 general QICs and 2 QIC Workgroups.

**IMPORTANT:** Participants that missed the January QIC can attend 2 QIC Workgroups to make up for the missed QIC.

The TI Year 6 Milestone documents will be updated to reflect this change soon. Please contact the TI team if you have any questions.

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**TARGETED INVESTMENTS RENEWAL (TI 2.0)**

AHCCCS has proposed renewing the Targeted Investments Program (TI 2.0) for another five years beginning October 1st, 2022 as part of AHCCCS’ 1115 Waiver submission to CMS. The [TI 2.0 Concept Paper](#) explains the enhanced initiatives that current TI participants may participate in through the extension cohort, and the refined 1.0 initiatives that new TI participants will participate in through the Expansion Cohort. The [AHCCCS Targeted Investments website](#) will soon be updated with FAQs. Please contact the TI team if you have any questions about the TI 2.0 proposal.

**Please note:** AHCCCS cannot accept applications for TI 2.0 until the program has been approved.

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**GUIDANCE ON CHiR/ASU AND AHCCCS TI TEAM RESOURCES**

TIPQIC will continue to provide technical assistance throughout year 6. [TIPQIC Website FAQs](#) were recently updated, addressing topics such as QIC, logistics, Year 5 measures, dashboard, assignment and attribution. The TIPQIC team has recently updated their website to include [HEDIS resources](#). The TIPQIC site has also added dashboard and performance measure resources for [PCP, BH, Hospital](#) and Justice Areas of Concentration, including information on: performance measure evaluation and attribution, qualified provider types and specialties, referenced data, calculation methodology, and much much more!

**NEW LAUNCH:** TIPQIC has launched [Best Practice Audit Guides](#) to showcase best practices to support performance improvement that affect annual TI incentive payment. Linked documents below are guides currently available. Providers can reference these guides for assistance with their overall quality improvement (QI) systems, as well as measure-specific processes.

- Building Capacity for Performance Excellence
- Follow-up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH)
- Diabetes Screening (SSD) / Metabolic Monitoring (APM) for People on Antipsychotic Medications
- Child and Adolescent Well-Care Visits (W15, W34, AWC)

More information is available on the [TIPQIC Website](#).

As a reminder, questions regarding your TIPQIC dashboard, QIC meetings, and specific technical questions about performance measures can be best
answered by the QIC team at tipqic@asu.edu. Questions about payment, milestones, the IPAT, attestation, and authorized users can be best answered by the Targeted Investments team at AHCCCS at targetedinvestments@azahcccs.gov.

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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE WITH CONTEXTURE

**Contexture**, formerly Health Current has joined with Colorado's CORHIO to form a new regional health information exchange organization. Technical assistance from Contexture is available to provide TI participants with technical assistance on data use and exchange. This includes strategies for making effective use of incoming data, such as using health information technology and securely sharing clinical data in order to improve care coordination, identifying and managing patient populations, and developing high risk patient registries. Contact your Contexture account manager or HIEsupport@healthcurrent.org for assistance.

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RELOCATED YOUR TI SITE, OPTED OUT OR CHANGED OWNERSHIP/PROVIDER TYPE, OR HAD A PROVIDER JOIN OR LEAVE YOUR PRACTICE?

In order for you to receive your TI incentive payments in a complete and timely manner, we need to know if your organization anticipates relocating, merging, closing a TI Participating site(s) or merging with other organizations throughout the duration of the program, or if you have changes in providers or service addresses. **Please note that Health Plans and AHCCCS do not notify each other of any changes, so changes must be communicated to both.** To ensure your changes do not interfere with timely receipt of your incentive payments, please do the following:

1) Notify AHCCCS Provider Registration and take the necessary steps outlined by Provider Registration using the new AHCCCS Provider Enrollment Portal (APEP).

2) Notify your contracted Health Plans of any changes.

3) Notify the TI Team at targetedinvestments@azahcccs.gov of the anticipated change or when the change will occur. This can be done via our “Report a Change” Google form.

If you plan to no longer participate in the TI Program, please notify the TI team at targetedinvestments@azahcccs.gov

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Please email targetedinvestments@azahcccs.gov if you have any questions or concerns.

**Thank you,**

**The Targeted Investments Team**

Targeted Investments Project Management Team: