

NOTICE: Traditional Healing Services Now Covered

Dear Provider,

The Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) has announced coverage of **Traditional Healing Services** for eligible members, effective October 1, 2025.

Member Coverage: Medicaid beneficiaries who are eligible to receive services delivered by or through Indian Health Service (IHS) or Tribal 638 facilities, as determined by the facility.

Key Details for Providers

- **Eligible Settings:**
 - Inpatient and outpatient
- **Providers Offering Traditional Healing Services:**
 - Indian Health Service (IHS)
 - Tribal 638 facilities
 - Urban Indian Organizations (UIOs)
 - Note: Traditional Healers affiliated with UIOs may provide and bill for services through a Care Coordination Agreement with an IHS/638 facility.
- **Billing & Reimbursement:**
 - Refer to the “Traditional Healing Services Billing Overview” (<https://www.azahcccs.gov/Resources/Downloads/DFSMTraining/2025/TraditionalHealingServicesBillingOverview.pdf>)

New Tribal Specific H-Codes Notice

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has published new 2025 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) coding determinations. Within this guidance, CMS introduced and defined two new HCPCS codes specific to Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP) and indigenous historical trauma. **AHCCCS opened the new H-codes on January 1, 2026, as descriptor codes**

For More Information:

- Visit: [AHCCCS Traditional Healing](https://www.azahcccs.gov/AmericanIndians/TraditionalHealing/index.html) (<https://www.azahcccs.gov/AmericanIndians/TraditionalHealing/index.html>)
- FAQs: <https://www.azahcccs.gov/AmericanIndians/TraditionalHealing/faqs.html>
- Email: TribalRelations@azahcccs.gov

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