

Regulatory Alert

As additional information related to the requirements for home health during the Public Health Emergency (PHE) becomes available, AAHC will send out a Regulatory Alert to Provider Members. If you would like to ADD individuals from your agency to receive AAHC communications, please send their name and email address to info@azhomecare.org.

Friendly Reminder: Retain a copy of all applicable Waivers, Executive Orders and AzDHS Directives in your files.



AzDHS Guidance for
Providers

Info & Resources for
Providers

Reporting Requirements for Home Health

Post-Acute Care Capacity Tracker (PACCT)

As of August 13, we have not received notice of the training for home health on how to report in the PACCT therefore it is unclear if the reporting requirement is delayed; however, we encourage agencies to create a login and begin reporting using the Guide and instructions provided. Note: The information below was sent to the primary contact in your agency according to AzDHS this week.

Reporting through the PACCT fulfills the reporting requirement under the Governor's Executive Order 2020-48.

View Executive Order
2020-48

Step 1: Download the PACCT User Guide (see box) and Register for a PACCT Account by visiting this site:

<https://gis.azdhs.gov/pacctsignup>

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You will only need one (1) account. If you have multiple locations you will be reporting for you may add them to the one account one established.

Step 2: Download the
PACCT Facility Guide

TIP: the reporting requirement is a daily requirement, even on the weekends so ensure you have identified a lead team member and at least 2 alternates to use the login to do the reporting.

Technical Assistance:
Email pacct@azdhs.gov

Step 2: Download the Facility Guide and begin reporting by visiting this site:
<https://pacct-adhsgis.hub.arcgis.com/>

Reporting is due by 10AM daily.

TIP: Use Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge for your internet browser before clicking on the site.

Our understanding is that the intent of this tool is primarily for hospitals to be able to move patients who now need a lower level of care to make room for other more acute patients. The hospital is ideally looking to transport the patient home within a 30 minutes-2 hour time frame.

For home health the requirement is that a patient is seen within 48* hours; however because this is a daily reporting requirement, **AAHC recommends Members indicate the**

number of patients you would be able to see within 24 hours.

The tool was originally designed for a physical building like a skilled nursing facility so you will need to adjust according to the following.

- Beds = HH Patients You can Admit Today - Enter Zero (0) where applicable.
- Ventilators = select No Ventilators at this facility or enter Zero (0).
- Surveillance Covid-19 Positive Patients in Facility = HH Patients on Service.

*48 Hours Regulations: CMS CoPs: The initial assessment visit must be held either within 48 hours of referral, or within 48 hours of the **patient's** return home, or on the **physician** or **allowed practitioner**-ordered start of care date. Arizona Regs: within 48 hours after the patient begins receiving home health services provided by or through the home health agency.

Need Assistance?

This pandemic is an evolving and challenging situation. AAHC is working with our partners to keep you informed and to advocate on behalf of members.

AAHC Staff is available via phone (480) 491-0540 and email info@azhomecare.org. After office hours or for urgent issues, please call (602) 692-5315 to reach AAHC Executive Director, Marie Fredette.

The Membership Advantage

The infographic consists of five colored circles, each representing a membership advantage. Below the circles are two text blocks and a central 'Learn More' button.

- Networking** (Yellow circle): Connect with Industry Professionals, Discuss Critical Issues, Solve Challenges. Below: Members are recognized as leaders in providing high-quality care to Arizona's patients and families.
- Assistance** (Light Blue circle): Compliance, Regulatory and Policy Initiatives, Answers & Resources.
- Advocacy** (Dark Blue circle): Collective Voice with State and Federal Policymakers, Regulators and Referral Sources.
- Education** (Light Blue circle): Effective, Affordable Training and Development from Industry Experts on Relevant Topics.
- Information** (Yellow circle): Timely, Actionable Updates on Public Policy, Legal, Regulatory, Quality and Community Issues. Below: Members enjoy significant savings on in-person and digital education and discounts on products and supplies.

Learn More

The Arizona Association for Home Care (AAHC) is the statewide nonprofit association for home health and in-home care providers and supporters in Arizona. Founded in 1983, AAHC provides leadership to the home health care industry through education, advocacy, resources and partnerships. AAHC is an affiliate member of the National Association for Home Care and Hospice (NAHC).

For more information, call (480) 491-0540 or visit us online at www.azhomecare.org.