



Arkansas Works Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver

ANNUAL REPORT

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❖ Executive Summary

In 2016, the Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS) ended the Private Option and created Arkansas Works as an amendment to the demonstration program. In January 2017, DHS referred all individuals enrolled in Arkansas Works to the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services (DWS). The referral allowed enrollees to voluntarily seek assistance with job training and job placement. However, from January to October 2017, only 4.7 percent of beneficiaries acted upon the referral and used the services offered by DWS. Of that number, 23 percent became employed through this process.

In July 2017, DHS submitted an amendment to the waiver requiring certain able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWD) to participate in a work and community engagement (WCE) requirement and report work and other activities to maintain their coverage. Following approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) on March 5, 2018, DHS began the reporting requirement on June 1

In 2018, with the implementation of the Arkansas Works WCE requirement, Arkansas began the process of testing whether a “stronger incentive model is more effective in encouraging participation.”ⁱ The approved Arkansas Works amendment requires able-bodied individuals to engage in WCE activities, which include working, attending education classes, training, and volunteering. Such requirements promote the objectives of Title XIX. In describing the WCE requirement, Governor Hutchinson said “It’s about giving people the opportunity to work. It’s to give them training that they need. It’s to help them move out of poverty and up the economic ladder.”ⁱⁱ

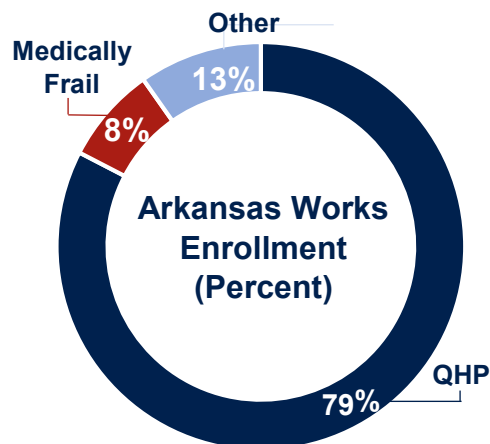
The waiver amendment established a WCE requirement for ABAWD who are between 19 and 49 years old. In 2018, the WCE requirement applied to those people ages 30-49 who were phased into the requirement between June and September. In December 2018, approximately 60,680 Arkansas Works beneficiaries were subject to the requirement, with 92 percent of those meeting the requirement. Beginning in 2019, the WCE requirement also applies to individuals ages 19-29 and individuals who are 19-49 years old with incomes over 100% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

At the end of calendar year 2018, there were 247,374 individuals enrolled in Arkansas Works. The program continued to operate below the 2018 budget neutrality cap, which is \$597.32.

❖ Eligibility and Enrollment

ARKANSAS WORKS ENROLLMENT AND PREMIUM INFORMATION

As noted above, there were 247,374 individuals enrolled in Arkansas Works at the end of 2018. Of these individuals:



- **Seventy-nine percent** received Arkansas Works coverage through qualified health plans (QHPs) purchased from plans offered through the Healthcare Insurance Marketplace.
- **Eight percent** were designated as medically frail and received Medicaid services on a fee-for-service basis.
- **Thirteen percent** had an interim status, which may include pending a QHP selection or Alternative Benefit Plan designation.

The table below shows the total enrollment numbers and premium information by month for Arkansas Works individuals in 2018:

Arkansas Works Enrollment and Premium Information (January – December 2018)						
Month	Number of Individuals Enrolled	Number of Medically Frail Individuals	Number of Individuals with a Paid Premium	Premium Expenditures	Advance Cost Share Payments	Wrap Costs
January	301,745	20,256	235,437	\$112,870,836.96	\$24,221,653.98	\$926,401.80
February	297,980	19,748	225,056	\$107,589,352.16	\$22,798,645.07	\$870,559.85
March	293,991	19,095	237,684	\$110,390,898.75	\$23,354,022.63	\$913,747.85
April	291,816	18,748	241,839	\$112,233,168.97	\$23,766,019.63	\$930,258.42
May	287,109	18,755	239,047	\$110,389,246.51	\$23,376,097.68	\$916,424.13
June	284,031	18,740	237,309	\$109,671,985.95	\$23,214,181.32	\$927,870.51
July	279,285	18,796	235,557	\$111,878,625.53	\$23,316,499.47	\$959,054.28
August	275,600	19,202	227,846	\$104,636,145.64	\$22,458,198.36	\$925,308.24
September	266,091	19,474	218,821	\$100,549,362.68	\$23,214,181.32	\$927,870.51
October	260,738	19,805	213,272	\$100,330,909.68	\$21,080,923.32	\$843,114.63
November	255,504	20,007	206,707	\$96,939,526.24	\$20,500,971.76	\$818,574.50
December	247,374	19,943	195,843	\$90,871,892.43	\$19,350,387.57	\$756,185.58

❖ Utilization and Budget Neutrality

UTILIZATION

In 2018, the total payments for Arkansas Works beneficiaries with a paid premium was \$1,548,848,544.06. Of this amount:

- \$1,268,351,951.50 was paid to the issuers for premiums.
- \$270,651,782.11 was paid for advanced cost-sharing reductions.
- \$9,844,810.45 was the total for wrap costs, including Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NET) and Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT).

BUDGET NEUTRALITY WORKBOOK

In 2018, the payment for each individual who received Arkansas Works coverage through qualified health plans (QHPs) remained below the budget neutrality cap. The table below shows the monthly breakdown for each individual with a paid premium and compares the total to the budget neutrality cap:

Arkansas Works Budget Neutrality Information for Each Individual with a Paid Premium (January-December 2018)					
Month	Premium Costs Per Individual with a Paid Premium	Advance Cost Share Payment Per Individual with a Paid Premium	Wrap Costs Per Individual with a Paid Premium	Total Cost Per Individual with a Paid Premium	Budget Neutrality Cap
January	\$479.41	\$102.88	\$3.93	\$586.22	\$597.32
February	\$478.06	\$101.30	\$3.87	\$583.23	\$597.32
March	\$464.44	\$98.26	\$3.84	\$566.54	\$597.32
April	\$464.08	\$98.27	\$3.85	\$566.20	\$597.32
May	\$461.79	\$97.79	\$3.83	\$563.41	\$597.32
June	\$462.15	\$97.82	\$3.91	\$563.88	\$597.32
July	\$474.95	\$98.98	\$4.07	\$578.00	\$597.32
August	\$459.24	\$98.57	\$4.06	\$561.87	\$597.32
September	\$459.51	\$106.09	\$4.24	\$569.84	\$597.32
October	\$470.44	\$98.85	\$3.95	\$573.24	\$597.32
November	\$468.97	\$99.18	\$3.96	\$572.11	\$597.32
December	\$464.00	\$98.81	\$3.86	\$566.67	\$597.32

PRESS REPORTS

Local and national media outlets published articles about Arkansas Works and the WCE requirement during 2018, including (sources included in References beginning on page 24):

- On January 4, 2018, Governor Asa Hutchinson and Department of Human Services Director Cindy Gillespie held a press conference highlighting that the state would seek half a billion dollars less in the budget as a result of reduced rolls in Arkansas Works and traditional Medicaid. The roll reductions of approximately 117,000 people and decreased budget request came in large part due to ongoing efforts to ensure accuracy in the eligibility rolls, closing cases of individuals who were no longer residents of Arkansas, and other integrity measures. *U.S. News*, *The Associated Press*, *The Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, and various other news outlets covered the press conference. (1)
- On January 11, 2018, several Arkansas news outlets reported President Trump's administration had released guidance indicating alignment with WCE requirements similar to those sought by Arkansas in its waiver submission. Articles explained what the work requirement would require, who it would impact, and the anticipated operation and administration of a work requirement were it to be approved. (2)
- On March 5, 2018, CMS approved Arkansas's request to implement a work requirement for Arkansas Works enrollees. Administrator Seema Verma announced the approval during a visit to Arkansas. The work requirement applied in 2018 to people aged 30-49 years old who received coverage through Arkansas Works. Those individuals were rolled into the requirement between June and September of 2018. They were required to work, attend school, search for jobs, attend training, or volunteer for a combined 80 hours a month or have a reporting exemption from the requirement. Several news outlets covered Ms. Verma's visit and announcement. (3)
- On March 8, 2018, the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* and various other news outlets reported that the Arkansas legislature had approved the spending bill that authorizes funding for traditional Medicaid and Arkansas Works. The \$8.2 billion spending bill included authorization to spend for coverage of 930,000 Arkansans between both Medicaid programs. (4)
- On April 1 and April 2, 2018, DHS announced that the Arkansas Works portal had launched and enrollees between the ages of 30-49 would receive a letter notifying beneficiaries about the new WCE requirement. DHS encouraged beneficiaries to create an online account, link it to their healthcare coverage, and begin reporting exemptions prior to the June 1 start date. An instructional video on how to link their online accounts was also produced and published. (5)

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- On April 18, 2018, DHS released its monthly expenditure and enrollment report, showing declines in Arkansas Works enrollment. DHS largely attributed the decline to improved integrity measures and an improving state economy. (6)
 - On May 7, 2018, DHS issued a media advisory to remind the public and Arkansas Works beneficiaries that letters were sent to Arkansas Works enrollees whose WCE requirements were starting in June. The advisory explained the letters would provide the beneficiary's status (required to report activities or exempt from reporting) and gave instructions on how to go online to report activities or exemptions. (7)
 - An assortment of coverage from state and national media continued throughout the month of May 2018, including reporting on the registered reporter process created to help assist Arkansas Works beneficiaries report WCE activities. (8)
 - DHS released the monthly Arkansas Works/Medicaid Enrollment and Expenditure report on May 22, 2018, which received media coverage from *The Arkansas Times*. (9)
 - On June 1, 2018, the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* highlighted the WCE requirement had begun for the first group of Arkansas Works beneficiaries who would be required to report activities or exemptions by July 5 for the June reporting period. (10)
 - On June 15, 2018, DHS released the monthly Arkansas Works/Medicaid monthly enrollment report, which showed another decrease in Arkansas Works enrollment, which resulted in media coverage from *The Arkansas Times*. (11)
 - Throughout the month of June 2018, DHS conducted training sessions, informational meetings, and other outreach with community groups, associations and stakeholders regarding the Arkansas Works WCE requirement and how those groups could help beneficiaries succeed. The local National Public Radio (NPR) affiliate, KUAR, covered those efforts on June 20, 2018. (12)
 - During the second quarter of 2018, the WCE requirement in Arkansas gained not only media attention from within the state, but national and international media outlets also produced a variety of reports. A sample of the coverage is included. (13)
 - July 5, 2018 marked the end of the June reporting period for the WCE requirement, the first such reporting period following the implementation of the requirement. (14)

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- On July 13, 2018, [DHS released its first monthly report of the WCE requirement](#). The data revealed the majority of those subject to the requirement were already working or involved in community engagement activities to warrant a reporting exemption. Of those required to report, roughly 7,000 did not meet the requirement. (15)
 - August 5, 2018 marked the end of the second reporting period under the Arkansas Works WCE requirement. DHS requested that media remind enrollees about the upcoming deadline to report work and community engagement activities. (16)
 - On August 14, 2018, DHS [released its monthly Arkansas Works report for the WCE requirement for the July reporting period](#) along with the monthly Medicaid enrollment and expenditure report, which was covered by local and national media outlets. (17)
 - On August 14, 2018, a number of media also reported that a federal lawsuit had been filed challenging the approval of the Arkansas Works WCE requirement by CMS. (18)
 - On September 12, 2018, Arkansas Governor Asa Hutchinson was joined by DHS Director Cindy Gillespie and Department of Workforce Services (DWS) Director Daryl Bassett in a news conference [presenting the Arkansas Works WCE requirement report for the August](#) reporting period. [The outcomes for that month included 4,353 enrollees](#) who had not met the requirement for three months and whose cases therefore were closed and their coverage ended for the remainder of the calendar year.

Governor Hutchinson also highlighted how hundreds of Arkansas Works enrollees were given job-searching and services assistance through DWS and discussed individual success stories of those who had found employment or improved their employment situation following the start of the WCE requirement. Media coverage of the outcomes extended to both the local and national level. (19)

- In early October 2018, national coverage included articles regarding the Trump administration's support of Arkansas as the nation's first state to implement WCE requirements for Medicaid. (20)
- On October 15, 2018, DHS released [its monthly Arkansas Works WCE report for the September](#) reporting period. Coverage included both local and national outlets. (21)
- On October 24, 2018, DHS [issued a press release](#) urging Arkansas Works enrollees to pay overdue premiums to avoid tax interception. Local outlets, including *Fox16 News* covered the release. (22)
- In November 2018, local outlets reported on the updated filings in the federal lawsuit regarding the Arkansas Works WCE requirement. (23)

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- Additional local coverage on November 12, 2018 included articles regarding MACPAC's encouraging HHS to suspend the WCE requirement. (24)
 - In mid-November 2018, DHS released its monthly Arkansas Works WCE report for the October reporting period. Local and national outlets included the statistics of compliance and noncompliance in their news coverage spanning several days. (25)
 - On December 12, 2018, DHS [announced in a press release](#) that it was expanding report-by-phone options for Arkansas Works enrollees, including the option to call DHS directly through a DHS Helpline, seven days a week, starting December 19, 2018. (26)
 - On December 15, 2018, DHS [released its monthly Arkansas Works WCE report](#) for the November reporting period. Coverage on the report included state and national media for several days. (27)
 - Kaiser released a study on December 20, 2018 regarding the Arkansas Works WCE requirement, alleging confusion among participants of the program about the WCE, which led to coverage and questions from reporters on a state and national front. (28)
 - Filings in the federal lawsuit challenging the approval of the Arkansas Works WCE requirement prompted coverage in late December 2018. (29)

OUTREACH EFFORTS

Beginning May 1, 2018, the Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care (AFMC) placed phone calls on behalf of DHS to Arkansas Works beneficiaries whose WCE requirements were beginning and who were believed to be required to report WCE activities during the quarter. The target audience were those beneficiaries whose WCE requirement would be starting the following month. AFMC's primary goals were (1) to ensure the beneficiary was aware of his or her status, (2) to assist the beneficiary with questions, and (3) to educate the beneficiary on the reporting process along with resources to help meet the WCE requirement.

AFMC Outreach Beneficiaries Required to Report WCE Activities Following Month (May-December 2018)				
Month	Beneficiaries in Target Audience	Number of Calls Placed	Beneficiaries Successfully Educated	Referrals to WCE activity resources
January	*	*	*	*
February	*	*	*	*
March	*	*	*	*
April	*	*	*	*
May	11,547	39,328	2,511	247
June	8,905	47,367	2,023	221
July	7,883	34,984	1,850	624
August	9,040	28,144	2,149	1,066
September	837	5,511	837	785
October	1,024	5,903	559	1,155
November	889	6,029	442	1,170
December	5,702	18,913	1,893	1,134

DHS also conducted outreach efforts by providing informational flyers and materials, presentations, webinars, and trainings to a variety of different community organizations and groups. Specific outreach was conducted with the following groups, among others, from April 1 – June 30, 2018:

- Substance Abuse Providers
- The Arkansas Hospital Association
- Arkansas Board of Pharmacy
- Crisis Stabilization Units
- Central Arkansas Veterans Hospital System
- National Guard Family Assistance Coordinators
- Arkansas Dept. of Finance and Administration
- Arkansas Department of Health
- Hunger Relief Alliance
- Interfaith Alliance
- Community Action Agencies
- Central Arkansas Homeless Coalition
- Goodwill Industries of Arkansas
- The Arkansas Pharmacy Association
- The Arkansas Medical Society
- Federally Qualified Health Centers Association
- CHI-St. Vincent Hospital
- Community Mental Health Centers
- Arkansas Dept. of Community Corrections
- Arkansas Department of Higher Education
- Community College Association
- Rural Community Alliance
- Arkansas Literacy Councils
- Our House Homeless Shelter
- Central Arkansas Library System

DHS would like to see all Arkansas Works beneficiaries be successful under the WCE requirement. To that end, outreach efforts to those beneficiaries subject to the WCE requirement began in March 2018 with letters to beneficiaries informing them about the work and community engagement requirement. Each beneficiary received an informational packet containing a flyer about Department of Workforce Services (DWS) resources, public internet access in their areas, etc.

Social media outreach and communication materials were provided throughout 2018 with information on activities and exemptions to reporting, ways to report online and by phone, ways to receive help at the local county office in their areas, step-by-step videos on how to report, informational videos on services from DWS, etc. DWS also sent emails during the year to remind beneficiaries about the services DWS can help with.

Those efforts represent an unprecedented outreach effort for the agency both through DHS staff, our outreach partners at AFMC, and the QHPs that cover these beneficiaries.

Furthermore, DHS has made efforts to educate, inform, and provide communication materials throughout the process to this non-exhaustive list of community partners:

- Community groups (Central Arkansas Library System, Central Arkansas Homeless Coalition, Rural Community Alliance, National Guard Family Assistance Coordinators).
- Healthcare organizations (Board of Pharmacy, Medical Society, Substance Abuse Providers, Federally Qualified Health Centers, the Arkansas Hospital Association, Health Department local units, Crisis Stabilization Units).
- Advocates (Our House Shelter, Homeless Coalition, Arkansas Advocates for Children and Families, Interfaith Alliance).
- Education groups, including those for two-year colleges and universities.
- Retail and service locations (Fun Wash laundry centers, Best Rent-to-Own North Little Rock, Edwards Food Giant grocery stores).

Those outreach efforts across DHS and its partners in 2018 included:

- More than 230,000 phone calls made to new and existing enrollees.
- More than 312,000 emails sent to beneficiaries (DHS sent at least three emails a month to enrollees who provided email addresses – more if they showed in the system as having any months of not meeting the work and community engagement requirement)
- 38,000 texts sent.
- 918 DHS social media posts across various platforms.
- More than 30 webinars or in-person trainings completed for stakeholders and advocacy groups.
- More than 20,000 postcards distributed via emergency rooms, hospitals, physicians, and other providers.
- Videos with information about the WCE requirement distributed and on display in the 85 county offices across the state.
- Facebook Live Q&A sessions with DHS staff and partners at Arkansas Department of Higher Education (DHE) and DWS.

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- Informational slides added to Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) Revenue Office informational screens.

PUBLIC FORUMS

On June 26, 2018, the Arkansas Department of Human Services held a Post-Award Forum on the Arkansas Works 1115 Demonstration at the Hillary Clinton Children's Library in Little Rock, Arkansas. Attached is the transcript for the forum.



LAWSUITS

August 2018 - A lawsuit was filed in the U.S. District Court of the District of Columbia naming CMS as a defendant. Arkansas Department of Human Services, State of Arkansas has intervened in the litigation and is now a party. The outcome of this case is currently pending.

All pleadings and motions were filed as of mid-January 2019, and the court stated in the scheduling order it would rule before the end of March 2019.

Key Milestones Accomplished

Planning, policy, and system development, as well as partner and stakeholder engagement and resource availability assessment began in January 2017 and has been ongoing.

Upon approval of the WCE requirement, Arkansas began finalizing plans and testing the process to implement the requirement on June 1, 2018. Based on data as of March 2, 2018, there were 171,449 Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 19–49. Approximately 69,000 beneficiaries had no initial exemption identified through system data.

Due to the number of beneficiaries affected, Arkansas phased in work requirements by age group. From June through September 2018, beneficiaries ages 30–49 who were at or below 100% FPL were phased in to the WCE requirement. Beneficiaries ages 19 – 29 who were at or below 100% FPL were to be phased in beginning in January 2019.

Based on the same data, there were 125,242 Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 30–49. Of those, 38,321 had no reporting exemption identified through system data. Arkansas chose to phase in this group over four months based on when their coverage was due for renewal. The chart below shows the month the work requirement began, the corresponding renewal months, and the number of beneficiaries that were projected to be included in each period.

Month Work Requirement Begins	Renewal Months	Approximate number of beneficiaries required to report work activities
June 2018	Jan., Feb., Mar.	9,152
July 2018	April, May, June	9,341
August 2018	July, August, Sept.	8,682
September 2018	Oct, Nov, Dec	11,146
<i>Data date: 3/2/2018</i>	TOTAL	38,321

The planning, testing, implementation, and monitoring timeline is provided below:

- **March 15, 2018** – Mass notices were issued to all Arkansas Works beneficiaries informing them of the change in the program and upcoming implementation of WCE requirements. The notice instructed beneficiaries that no additional action was required at that time and encouraged individuals to provide an email address to DHS if they had not already provided an email address.
- **March 30, 2018** – The Arkansas Works online portal went live. Beneficiaries were able to begin linking their secure online accounts and reporting exemptions.
- **April 1, 2018** – New Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 30–49 approved effective April 1, 2018, or later became subject to the WCE requirement and had their beginning dates for completing and reporting work activities set for the second month after approval.



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Get Ready to Work Flyer

- **April 1–8, 2018** – The dates were set for 30-49 year olds to begin the WCE requirement and notices were mailed to each individual with specific details about the requirement, services available through Arkansas DWS, and instructions on how to access and log in to the online portal.



Work Activities Notice



Exempt From Work Notice

- **April 13, 2018** –The first data file of Arkansas Works beneficiaries containing specific information regarding WCE details was provided to Arkansas DWS, AFMC, and QHP carriers. Outreach and education began, with updated files being provided weekly thereafter.

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- **April 20, 2018** – An Arkansas Works button and banner were added to the DHS website homepage, which link to materials, flyers, sample notices, informational guides and instruction videos. The site also includes a resource dashboard to point Arkansas Works beneficiaries to free Internet access points, free job services, and education opportunities in their areas. It also includes information for those interested in becoming a registered reporter to help beneficiaries report WCE activities.
 - **May 8, 2018** – Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 30–49 who were scheduled to begin the WCE requirement in June 2018 were mailed individually-tailored notices. The notice contained information regarding any reporting exemption and the type of exemption that has been identified through data in state systems for that beneficiary. Those who were exempt were instructed no additional action is necessary unless their circumstances change, and they will be notified when they are expected to take further action. Those without an identified exemption received a notice instructing them they are required to begin completing and reporting WCE activities during the month of June 2018. The notice contained details about the WCE requirement, how and where to report a previously unidentified exemption and/or completion of activities. The notice informed them of the consequences of not meeting the requirement.
 - **May 16, 2018** - GIS Analysis was completed to map out how far “at risk” Arkansas Works beneficiaries lived from the closest public access Internet site as recorded on the DHS resource dashboard. Over 92 percent of Arkansas Works beneficiaries with an expected WCE requirement were within ten miles of a public access site. A letter and email were sent to those beneficiaries who lived more than 20 miles from a public access site (about 269 clients) informing them of the Registered Reporter process. The link to the resource dashboard provided can be found here:
https://ardhs.sharepointsite.net/ARWorks/resource_dashboard/index.html
 - **June 1, 2018** – Implementation of WCE requirement began for individuals ages 30–49.
 - **June 8, 2018** - Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 30–49 who were scheduled to begin the WCE requirement in July 2018 were mailed individually-tailored notices.
 - **June 26, 2018** – The Post-Award Forum was held at 10:00 AM at the Hillary Rodham Clinton Children’s Library and Learning Center, 4800 W. 10th Street, Little Rock, AR 72204.
 - **June 29, 2018** – DHS had received 73 authorization forms for registered reporters to assist Arkansas Works beneficiaries with limitations in reporting WCE activities. Reporters included individuals from QHPs, healthcare providers, community groups, and private organizations.
 - **July 8, 2018** - Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 30–49 who were scheduled to begin the WCE requirement in August were mailed individually-tailored notices.
 - **August 8, 2018** - Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 30-49 who were scheduled to begin the WCE requirement in September 2018 were mailed individually-tailored notices.
 - **August 30, 2018** – The monitoring phase began, and the first quarterly report was posted to the Arkansas DHS website.

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- **September 8, 2018**- Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 30–49 were phased into the WCE requirement and were required to begin reporting activities or exemptions to DHS.
 - **November 1, 2018** - New Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 19–29 approved beginning November 1, 2018, or later were set to become subject to the WCE and be required to complete and report work activities beginning the second month after approval.
 - **November 1 – 8, 2018** – The work requirement phase-in was set based on renewal months for beneficiaries 19–29 years of age and notices were mailed to each individual with specific details about the WCE requirement, services available through Arkansas DWS, and instructions on how to access and log in to the online portal.
 - **December 8, 2018** - Arkansas Works beneficiaries ages 19–29 who were scheduled to begin the WCE requirement in January 2019 were mailed individually-tailored notices. The notice contained information regarding any reporting exemption and the type of exemption that had been identified through data in DHS systems. Those who were exempt were told that no action was necessary unless their circumstances change. They also were informed that they will be notified when they are expected to take further action. Those without a reporting exemption received a notice that instructed them to begin completing and reporting work activities during the month of January 2019. The notice contained details about the work requirement along with how and where to report a previously unidentified exemption or the activities for the month. The notice also informed them of the consequence of not meeting the requirement.

❖ Evaluation Progress and Activities

The Arkansas Center for Health Improvement (ACHI) was contracted to complete the initial Medicaid expansion evaluation. DHS is in the process of procuring a vendor to evaluate the ongoing Arkansas Works program. A separate evaluation will be procured for the recently approved WCE waiver amendment. The initial Arkansas Works evaluation assessed the demonstration goals of improving access, care and outcomes, reducing churn, and lowering costs by measuring whether:

- Beneficiaries would have equal or better access to health care compared with what they would have otherwise had in the Medicaid fee-for-service system over time.
- Beneficiaries would have equal or better care and outcomes compared with what they would have otherwise had in the Medicaid fee-for-service system over time.
- Beneficiaries would have better continuity of care compared with what they would have otherwise had in the Medicaid fee-for-service system over time.
- Services provided to beneficiaries would prove to be cost effective.
- The employer-sponsored insurance program would produce greater system efficiencies and individual outcomes than QHP premium assistance program.

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- Beneficiaries would effectively participate in an incentive benefits program.

Evaluation Activities

- Conducted two Full Evaluation Team Meetings.
- Conducted four internal meetings with members of the Evaluation's Data Team to discuss the progress of data and indicators for the final report.
- Conducted eight internal ACHI Planning Meetings to plan the final report.
- Conducted five internal meetings with the ACHI data team to discuss the receiving and processing of data.
- Conducted one meeting with DHS to review the Health Care Independence Program 'Private Option' final report.
- Conducted seven internal meetings with members of the qualitative studies team to discuss the simulated patient 'secret shopper' survey and the one-on-one individual interviews.
- Continued completion of the final data and indicators analysis for the final report draft.
- Began editing draft sections of the final report.
- Completed the final analyses of data and construction of indicators for the Health Care Independence Program 'Private Option' final report.
- Completed and submitted the final report to DHS.
- Submitted final report to CMS.

Evaluation Vendor Procurement

DHS is currently in the process of securing a contract with a qualified vendor to provide all of the tasks associated with evaluating the Arkansas Works program. The vendor will conduct qualitative and quantitative analysis comparing the Arkansas Works population with the traditional Medicaid population to examine access to services and other metrics. This evaluation is required by CMS as part of the Terms and Conditions of the Arkansas Works 1115 Demonstration Waiver. The selected vendor under this procurement must also be able to provide a transition from the current vendor while executing contracted services.

Arkansas Medicaid will seek a separate evaluation of the WCE requirement demonstration. The evaluation for the WCE requirement will cover the implementation efforts, outcomes and effects (short-term and long-term, tangible and intangible), and sustainability of the WCE requirements and activities as part of a lasting improvement to the social fabric and population health of all Arkansans. This WCE requirement evaluation design is in addition to the evaluation of the overall Arkansas Works program referenced above.

DHS has submitted a proposed evaluation for the WCE requirement and has been collaborating with CMS to obtain feedback on the proposal. DHS will continue to collaborate with CMS regarding the evaluation proposal. Once the evaluation proposal is approved, DHS will use a Request for Proposal (RFP) process to procure the capabilities necessary for evaluation of the WCE requirement.

Once finalized, the procurement will be posted online. The successful bidder must have demonstrated experience in evaluating the impact of WCE requirements on participation in income security programs.

Community Engagement Eligibility and Enrollment Monitoring

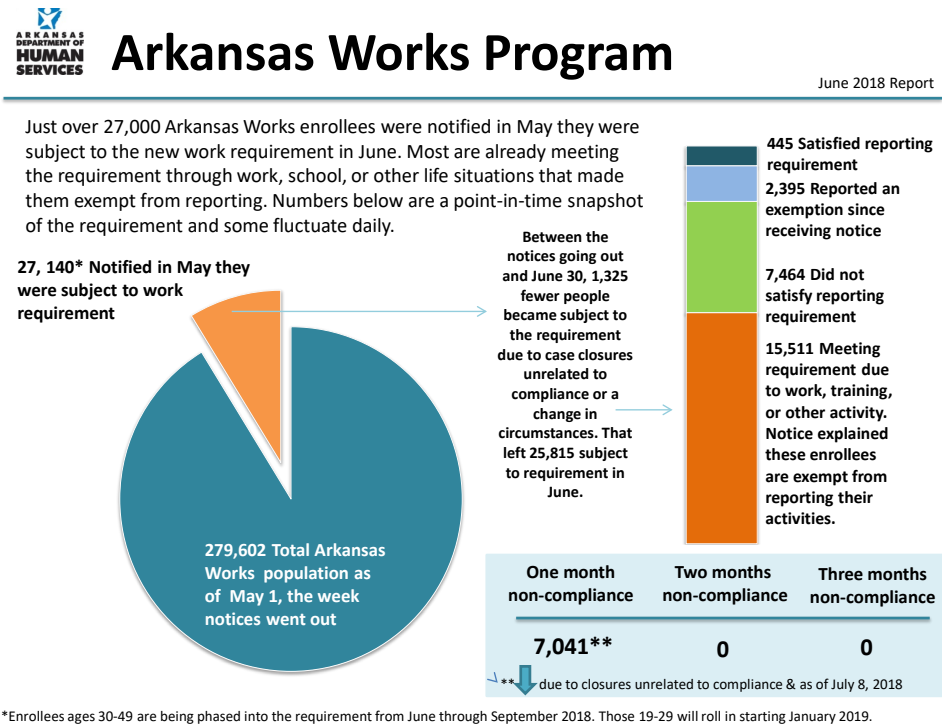
The State of Arkansas submitted its community engagement eligibility and enrollment monitoring plan as required by special term and condition (STC) 54 of the state's Arkansas Works 1115 Demonstration, (Project No. 11-W-00287/6).

The monitoring plan has been incorporated in the STCs as "Attachment A." As outlined in STC 54, the state will provide status updates on the implementation of the eligibility and enrollment monitoring plan as part of the state's quarterly and annual monitoring reports. Attached below are the monitoring reports for 2018.



Work and Community Engagement Snapshot

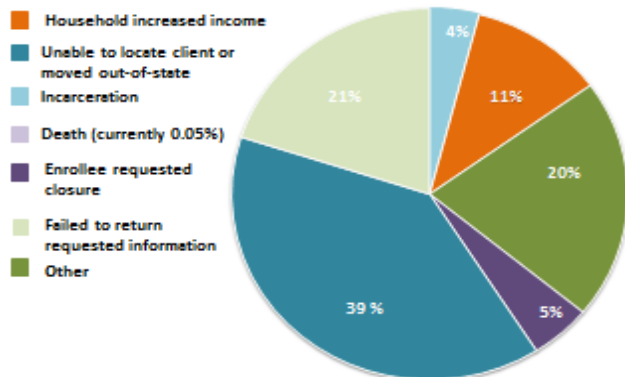
Snapshots of the program from June-December 2018 during the WCE requirement implementation are included in the following pages.



Arkansas Works Program

June 2018 Report

Every Medicaid program has what is known as "churn," cases that close for various reasons. It is not uncommon for those individuals to take action and come back on a program after receiving a closure notice. The total number of Arkansas Works cases closed in June was 14,140. Below the closures are broken down by type.



Top four reasons people were exempt from reporting in June

Employed at least 80 hours a month	8,375
Already meeting SNAP requirement through work or exemption	3,480
At least one dependent child in the home	2,731
Medically frail/disabled	2,208



*June 2018 Report

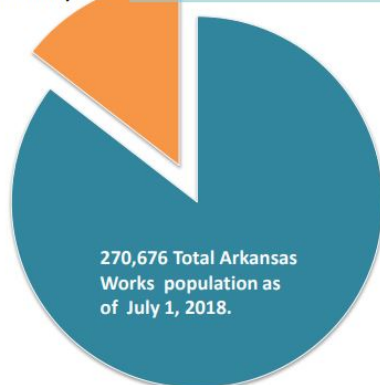


Arkansas Works Program

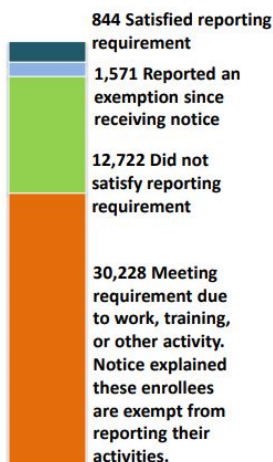
July 2018 Report

As of June 8, DHS data showed just over 46,000 Arkansas Works enrollees were subject to the work requirement in July. Most are already meeting the requirement through work, school, or other life situations that made them exempt from reporting. Numbers below are a point-in-time snapshot of the requirement and some fluctuate daily.

46,025* Originally estimated to be subject to work requirement in July (includes June)



Between June 8 and August 7, 2018, 2,231 fewer people became subject to the requirement due to case closures unrelated to compliance or a change in circumstances. That left 43,794 subject to the requirement in July.



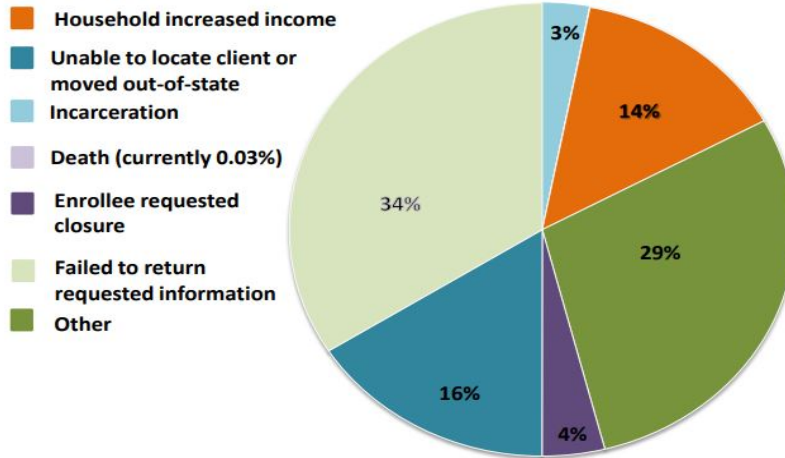
One month non-compliance	Two months non-compliance	Three months non-compliance
6,531**	5,426**	0
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Arkansas Works Program

July 2018 Report

Every Medicaid program has what is known as “churn,” cases that close for various reasons. It is not uncommon for those individuals to take action and come back on a program after receiving a closure notice. The total number of Arkansas Works cases closed in July was 14,441. Below the closures are broken down by type.



Top four reasons people were exempt from reporting in July

Employed at least 80 hours a month	13,951
Already meeting SNAP requirement through work or exemption	5,780
Medically frail/disabled	4,282
At least one dependent child in the home	4,192



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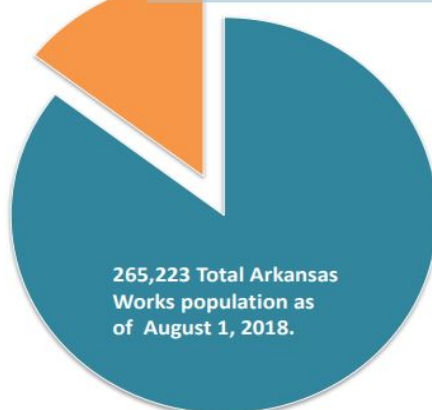


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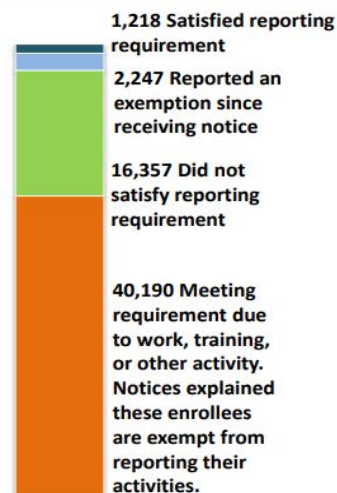
August 2018 Report

As of July 8, DHS data showed just over 62,000 Arkansas Works enrollees were subject to the work requirement in August. Most are already meeting the requirement through work, school, or other life situations that made them exempt from reporting. Numbers below are a point-in-time snapshot of the requirement and some fluctuate daily.

62,635* Originally estimated to be subject to work requirement in August



Between July 8 and Sept. 9, 2018, 2,623 fewer people became subject to the requirement due to case closures unrelated to compliance or a change in circumstances. That left 60,012 subject to the requirement in August.



One month non-compliance	Two months non-compliance	Three months non-compliance (closed)
6,174**	5,076**	4,353

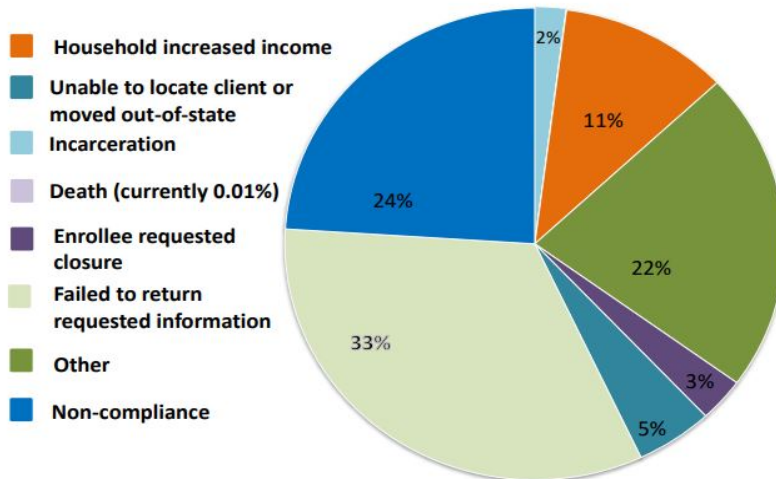
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Arkansas Works Program

August 2018 Report

Every Medicaid program has what is known as “churn,” cases that close for various reasons. It is not uncommon for those individuals to take action and come back on a program after receiving a closure notice. The total number of Arkansas Works cases closed in August was 18,057. Of those, only 4,353 closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement. Below the closures are broken down by type.



Top four reasons people were exempt from reporting in August

Employed at least 80 hours a month	19,391
Already meeting SNAP requirement through work or exemption	7,776
Medically frail/disabled	6,273
At least one dependent child in the home	5,717



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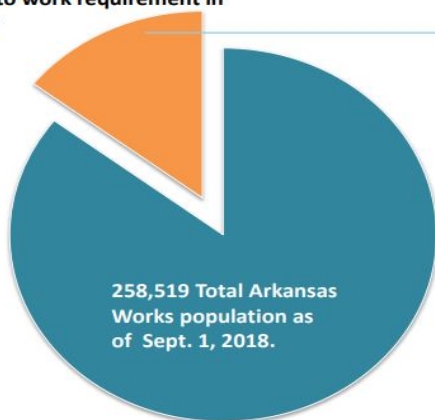


Arkansas Works Program

September 2018 Report

As of August 10, DHS data showed just over 76,200 Arkansas Works enrollees were subject to the work requirement in September. Most are already meeting the requirement through work, school, or other life situations that made them exempt from reporting. Numbers below are a point-in-time snapshot of the requirement and some fluctuate daily.

76,222* Originally estimated to be subject to work requirement in September



Between Aug. 10 and Oct. 8, 2018, 2,956 fewer people became subject to the requirement due to case closures unrelated to compliance or a change in circumstances. That left 73,266 subject to the requirement in September.

1,532 Satisfied reporting requirement

2,263 Reported an exemption since Aug. 10, 2018

16,757 Did not satisfy reporting requirement

52,714 Meeting requirement due to work, training, or other activity. These enrollees were exempt from reporting their activities.

One month non-compliance	Two months non-compliance	Three months non-compliance (closed)
7,748**	4,841**	4,109

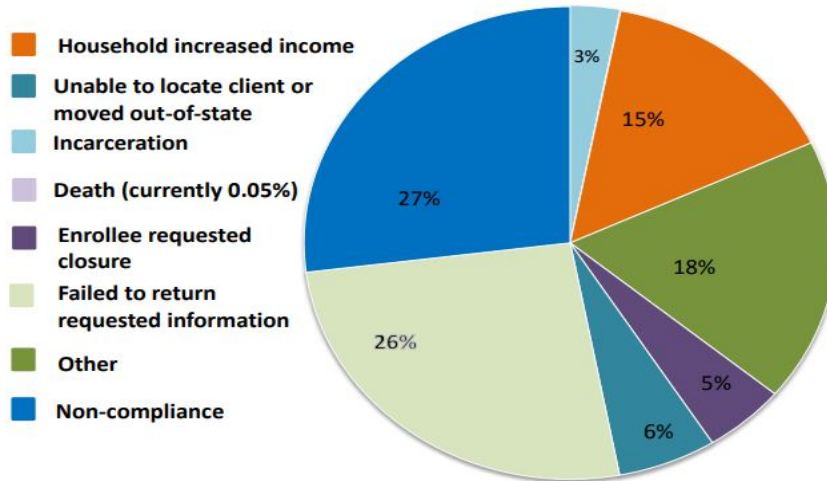
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Arkansas Works Program

September 2018 Report

Every Medicaid program has what is known as “churn,” cases that close for various reasons. It is not uncommon for those individuals to take action and come back on a program after receiving a closure notice. The total number of Arkansas Works cases closed in September was 15,276. Of those, only 4,109 closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement. Below the closures are broken down by type.



Top four reasons people were exempt from reporting in September

Employed at least 80 hours a month	25,368
Already meeting SNAP requirement through work or exemption	9,705
Medically frail/disabled	8,020
At least one dependent child in the home	7,432



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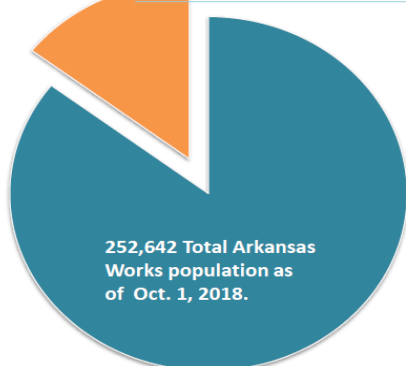


Arkansas Works Program

October 2018 Report

As of September 8, DHS data showed just over 71,500 Arkansas Works enrollees were subject to the work requirement in October. Most are already meeting the requirement through work, school, or other life situations that made them exempt from reporting. Numbers below are a point-in-time snapshot of the requirement and some fluctuate daily.

71,514* Originally estimated to be subject to work requirement in October



Between Sept. 8 and Nov. 7, 2018, 2,473 fewer people became subject to the requirement due to case closures unrelated to compliance or a change in circumstances. That left 69,041 subject to the requirement in October.

1,525 Satisfied reporting requirement

1,590 Reported an exemption since Sept. 8, 2018

12,128 Did not satisfy reporting requirement

53,798 Meeting requirement due to work, training, or other activity. These enrollees were exempt from reporting their activities

One month non-compliance	Two months non-compliance	Three months non-compliance (closed)
2,600**	6,002**	3,815

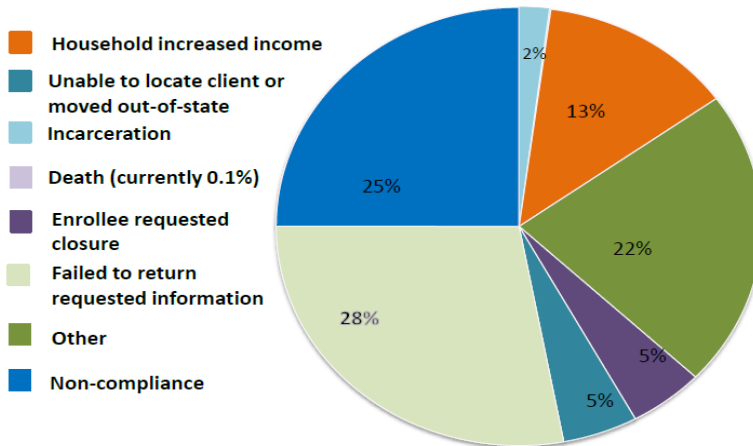
** Numbers as of Nov. 7, 2018.

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Arkansas Works Program

October 2018 Report

Every Medicaid program has what is known as "churn," cases that close for various reasons. It is not uncommon for those individuals to take action and come back on a program after receiving a closure notice. The total number of Arkansas Works cases closed in October was 15,081. Of those, only 3,815 closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement. Below the closures are broken down by type.



Top four reasons people were exempt from reporting in October

Employed at least 80 hours a month	25,425
Already meeting SNAP requirement through work or exemption	9,913
Medically frail/disabled	8,271
At least one dependent child in the home	7,147



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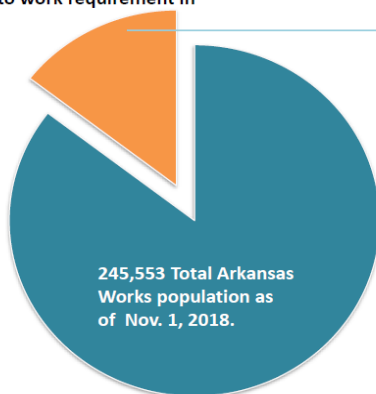


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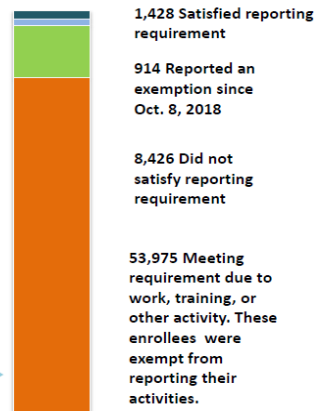
November 2018 Report

As of October 8, DHS data showed just over 66,600 Arkansas Works enrollees were subject to the work requirement in November. Most are already meeting the requirement through work, school, or other life situations that made them exempt from reporting. Numbers below are a point-in-time snapshot of the requirement and some fluctuate daily.

66,628* Originally estimated to be subject to work requirement in November



Between Oct. 8 and Dec. 7, 2018, 1,885 fewer people became subject to the requirement due to case closures unrelated to compliance or a change in circumstances. That left 64,743 subject to the requirement in November.



One month non-compliance	Two months non-compliance	Three months non-compliance (closed)
2,429**	1,936**	4,655

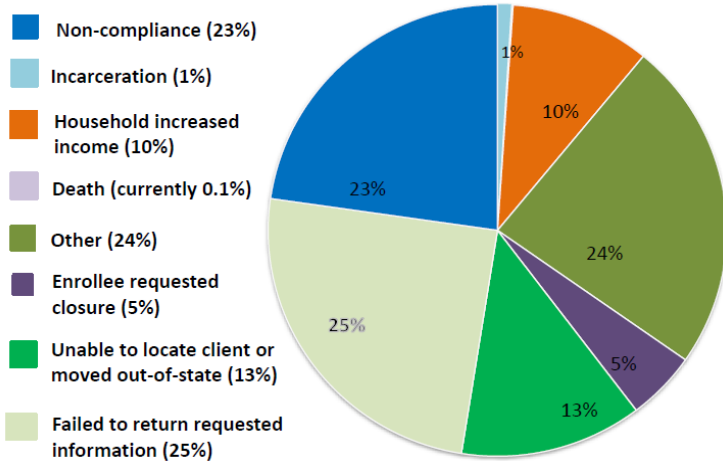
** Numbers as of Dec. 7, 2018

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Arkansas Works Program

November 2018 Report

Every Medicaid program has what is known as “churn,” cases that close for various reasons. It is not uncommon for those individuals to take action and come back on a program after receiving a closure notice. The total number of Arkansas Works cases closed in November was 20,494. Of those, only 4,655 closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement. Below the closures are broken down by type.



Top four reasons people were exempt from reporting in November

Employed at least 80 hours a month	25,149
Already meeting SNAP requirement through work or exemption	9,984
Medically frail/disabled	8,393
At least one dependent child in the home	6,765



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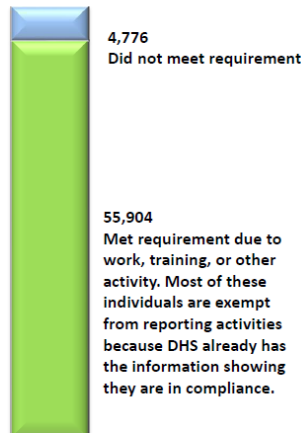
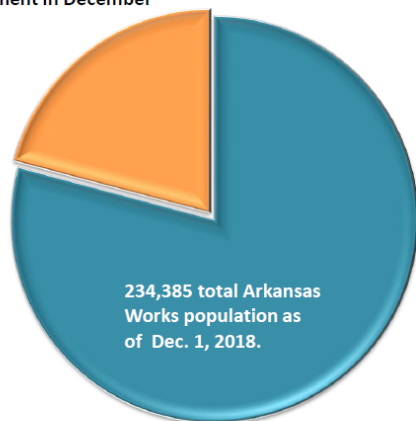


Arkansas Works Program

December 2018

Just over 60,600 Arkansas Works enrollees were subject to the work requirement in December. Most are already meeting the requirement through work, school, or other life situations that made them exempt from reporting. Numbers below are a point-in-time snapshot of the requirement and some fluctuate daily.

60,680 subject to work requirement in December*



Months of Not Meeting Requirement

One month	Two months	Three months (closed)
0**	0**	1,232

**Numbers as of Jan. 7, 2019. Months reset at end of each calendar year.

*Enrollees ages 30-49 are subject to the requirement in 2018. Those 19-29 will phase in from January to June 2019.

Every Medicaid program has what is known as “churn,” cases that close for various reasons. It is not uncommon for those individuals to take action and come back on a program after receiving a closure notice. The total number of Arkansas Works cases closed in December was 15,981. Of those, only 1,232 closed due to not meeting the requirement.

Of the enrollees whose coverage ended in 2018 due to not meeting the requirement, 966 have applied for and gained coverage in 2019. Of those, 963 are in Arkansas Works.

Outreach Efforts April – December 2018

includes DHS, AFMC,
insurance carriers, and DWS

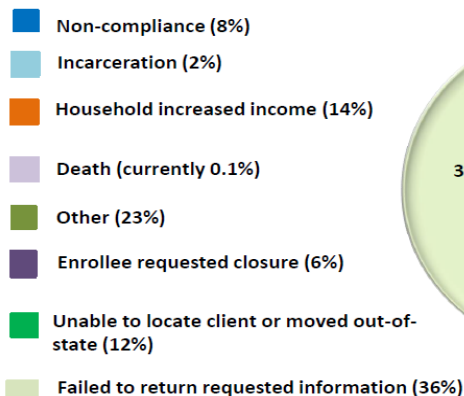
Phone Calls **230,307**

Letters **592,102**

Emails **311,934**

Text Messages **38,766**

Social Media
Posts **918**



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❖ Quality Assurance

The initial Medicaid expansion evaluation assessed the quality of care provided to beneficiaries by analyzing whether enrollees have equal or better care and outcomes over time, compared with what they would have had otherwise in the Medicaid fee-for-service system. Health care and outcomes were evaluated using the following measures:

- Use of preventive and health care services.
- Experience with the care provided.
- Use of emergency room services (including emergent and non-emergent use).
- Potentially preventable emergency department and hospital admissions.

The initial evaluation also explored whether beneficiaries have better continuity of care compared with what they would have otherwise had in the Medicaid fee-for-service system over time.

Continuity was evaluated using the following measures:

- Gaps in insurance coverage.
- Maintenance of continuous access to the same health plans.
- Maintenance of continuous access to the same providers.

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ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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Tuesday, June 26, 2018
Hillary Clinton Children's Library
and Learning Center
4800 West Tenth Street
Little Rock, Arkansas
10:00 a.m.

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IN RE: June 26, 2018
Arkansas Works Post Award Forum
Public Hearing

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COURT REPORTER:

DEBBYE L. PETRE, CCR
Post Office Box 1027
Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-1027

A P P E A R A N C E S:

ON BEHALF OF ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF
HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES:

MS. MARY FRANKLIN, DHS

MR. JOHN CARTER, DHS

MR. JUSTIN MIZELL, DHS

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

(See Sign-In List)

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SPEAKERS:

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EXHIBITS

(None marked.)

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4 TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2018

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6 10:00 a.m.

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8 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: Good morning. My
9 name is Mary Franklin, and I am the Director
10 of County Operations for the Arkansas
11 Department of Human Services. And today we
12 are here to hold the Arkansas Works Post
13 Award Forum. And we will take your comments
14 about the Arkansas Works Approved Waiver.

15 I have a brief presentation just to
16 summarize changes that were approved in the
17 Waiver, and then at the conclusion of the
18 presentation, I will be glad to take your
19 comments. We do ask that you -- if you have
20 a comment, that you identify yourself by
21 name, make sure our court reporter can see
22 you and hear you before you begin making
23 your comments.

24 There were three new elements approved
25 -- three elements approved in our Arkansas

1 Works Waiver Amendment. The Waiver
2 Amendment allows us to establish a work
3 requirement as a condition of eligibility
4 for Arkansas Works, it allows us to
5 eliminate the Employer-Sponsored Insurance
6 Premium Assistance Program, and eliminated
7 conditions associated with the Waiver of
8 Retroactive Eligibility.

9 More information on the work
10 requirement that has been approved.
11 Everyone in Arkansas Works will receive a
12 work referral to the Department of Work
13 Force Services. And the state has been
14 approved to implement a working community
15 engagement requirement for 19 to
16 49-year-olds as a condition of their
17 eligibility in the Arkansas Works Program.

18 Current Arkansas law requires us to
19 provide a referral to all Arkansas Works
20 enrollees that are 50 percent or below the
21 federal poverty level. But we exceed that
22 requirement by completing a referral for
23 everyone who is in the Arkansas Works
24 Program. The referral does not require
25 followup action. It is a voluntary

1 follow-through process. But now there are
2 work and community engagement requirements
3 that apply to enrollees ages 19 to 49 who
4 must work, volunteer, or engage in specific
5 job training or job-search activities for at
6 least 80 hours a month to retain Arkansas
7 Works coverage. Enrollees who are 50 or
8 older are not subject to these work and
9 community engagement requirements. And
10 those who are determined to be exempt from
11 the requirements would not be at risk for
12 losing coverage. And those who do not meet
13 an exemption would lose Arkansas Works
14 coverage after three months of noncompliance
15 with the Arkansas Works community engagement
16 requirement.

17 During 2018, we are implementing the
18 work and community engagement requirement
19 with 30 to 49-year-olds, and then next year
20 we will implement the 19 to 29-year-olds, as
21 well.

22 There are several exemptions to the
23 work and community engagement requirement.
24 That includes income consistent with being
25 employed or self-employed for 80 hours or

1 more per month at Arkansas minimum wage.
2 Attending high school, an institution of
3 higher education, vocational training, job
4 training on a full-time basis would also be
5 an exemption. Receiving an exemption in the
6 SNAP program would allow for an exemption in
7 the Arkansas Works Program. Also those who
8 receive TEA cash assistance, that's
9 Transitional Employment Assistance, are
10 exempt from the working community engagement
11 requirement in Arkansas Works. Those who
12 are incapacitated in the short term or
13 medically certified as unfit for work
14 physically or mentally unfit for employment,
15 and those who are caring for an
16 incapacitated person or a dependent child,
17 those who live in the home with a minor
18 dependent child aged 17 or younger, and
19 those who are receiving unemployment
20 benefits, and those who are currently
21 participating in drug and alcohol treatment
22 or those who may be pregnant. Those are
23 exemptions from the Arkansas Works work and
24 community engagement requirement.

25 The allowed work activities, the

1 requirement does require at least 80 hours
2 in an allowed work activity if the Arkansas
3 Works individual is not exempt. So, the
4 allowed activities include employment or
5 self-employment, educational programs, high
6 school, higher ed, GED, on-the-job training,
7 vocational training, volunteering, job
8 search, job search training, and
9 participation in a class on health insurance
10 for up to 20 hours a year can count toward
11 meeting the 80-hour-a-month work
12 requirement.

13 There are penalties for failing to meet
14 the work requirement. Anyone who is not
15 exempt, who is required to complete the work
16 activities that does not comply will lose
17 coverage after three months of
18 noncompliance, whether that is consecutive
19 or nonconsecutive noncompliance, and they
20 will not be eligible for coverage in the
21 Arkansas Works Program until the beginning
22 of the next calendar year.

23 The Waiver also allowed us to end the
24 Employer-Sponsored Insurance Premium
25 Assistance Program, and anyone who was in

1 that program at its end was transitioned to
2 a qualified health plan in the Arkansas
3 Works Program.

4 The conditions of retroactive
5 eligibility were also modified in this
6 approved Waiver. In the Arkansas Works
7 group, individuals may request retroactive
8 coverage for 30 days prior to the date of
9 application.

10 In the approved Waiver, there were no
11 changes to the demonstration financing or
12 budget neutrality. And this is the budget
13 neutrality through 2021, per member per
14 month. There were several Waiver
15 authorities that we requested to have
16 modified in this approved Waiver. And I
17 will not read the list, but this power point
18 will be available on our website.

19 And, of course, if anyone has comments
20 we would like to take those at this time.

21 (WHEREUPON, there was a pause in the
22 proceedings.)

23 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: Hearing no comments
24 at this time, we will be here for the next
25 several minutes in case someone decides to

1 make a comment.

2 (WHEREUPON, there was a pause in the
3 proceedings.)

4 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: Yes, ma'am. Would
5 you give us your name, please?

6 MS. VENIECE BURTON: I'm Veniece
7 Burton, I'm with Absolute Care, it's a
8 personal care organization. And my question
9 was more of, you know, the waivers that you
10 have. You didn't talk about the waivers,
11 how this would impact, you know, the
12 waivers. Will you be doing the Arkansas
13 independent assessment on these clients, or
14 on these possible beneficiaries?

15 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: It sounds to me
16 like you are asking questions about does
17 this Arkansas Works Waiver Amendment have
18 any impact on our other home and
19 community-based waiver services?

20 MS. VENIECE BURTON: Yes.

21 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: And, no, it does
22 not. This waiver amendment only affects the
23 new adult group, which is the Arkansas Works
24 group --

25 MS. VENIECE BURTON: Okay.

1 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: -- which covers 19
2 to 64-year-olds.

3 MS. VENIECE BURTON: Okay.

4 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: There are
5 citizenship requirements, income
6 requirements, and age requirements, being 19
7 to 64, but there are no other additional
8 requirements.

9 MS. VENIECE BURTON: That's what I
10 wanted to know.

11 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: So, no impact on
12 the home and community-based waivers.

13 MS. BRANDY DAILEY: Just a question on
14 clarification. My name is Brandy Dailey
15 with Community Health Centers of Arkansas.
16 So, since this just rolled out this month,
17 we are still in the first wave of people
18 having to log and get accustomed to it.
19 Will the penalties start if, say, someone
20 doesn't submit their requirements this
21 month, that would count as the first of the
22 three months towards them being
23 disqualified; correct?

24 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: That is correct.
25 For those who -- those who started with the

1 work requirement in June, those who had to
2 begin reporting and completing activity in
3 June, if they do not log their activities by
4 July the 5th, then they will have accrued
5 one month of noncompliance.

6 MS. BRANDY DAILEY: And is there
7 anything that DHS is doing to assist those
8 people kind of -- are there portals in DHS
9 county offices so people can come in who
10 don't have access to Internet to log those
11 hours, are there partnerships with libraries
12 to kind of have extended hours or anything
13 like that that DHS is doing?

14 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: Sure, I can answer
15 that question. Yes, there are many things
16 that Department of Human Services is doing
17 to assist individuals. We do have kiosks
18 available in all of our lobbies, we have
19 also identified other resources, such as the
20 public libraries, where people can use
21 computers, Work Force Centers, Career Ed
22 Centers where the individuals are working
23 with Career Ed on GED or other services
24 offered by Career Ed. So, yes, we have
25 identified many places where people can come

1 to access computers. We have also
2 implemented a registered reporter process,
3 which allows individuals to serve -- to
4 report on the behalf of someone once they
5 have taken on-line training that we have and
6 register with us as a reporter, then they
7 are able to assist individuals that
8 authorize them to report activities for
9 them. We have also done Webinars and
10 outreach to many different provider groups
11 and agencies, hospital associations, we are
12 using social media, we have sent several
13 notices to this group. We also send e-mails
14 to this group when they have provided us an
15 e-mail address. We have also built a public
16 Sharepoint site where we have placed lots of
17 different training materials and videos,
18 sample copies of notices.

19 We also have engaged our beneficiary
20 relations provider, who is doing active
21 education and outreach with each group
22 before it's time for them to implement. Our
23 qualified health plan carriers are doing
24 similar outreach. Our Department of Work
25 Force Services partner is also doing

1 outreach to this group. So, we have taken
2 many steps to make sure that individuals
3 know what they need to do and know what help
4 is out there and resources available to help
5 them do what they need to do.

6 MS. BRANDY DAILEY: Thank you.

7 (WHEREUPON, there was a pause in the
8 proceedings.)

9 MS. MARY FRANKLIN: Hearing no
10 additional comments, we will close the Forum
11 at this time.

12 (WHEREUPON, at 10:30 a.m., the taking
13 of the above-entitled proceeding was
14 concluded.)

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STATE OF ARKANSAS)

) ss.:

COUNTY OF PULASKI)

I, DEBBYE L. PETRE, Certified Court Reporter and notary public in and for the County of Pulaski, State of Arkansas, duly commissioned and acting, do hereby certify that the above-entitled proceedings were taken by me in Stenotype, and were thereafter reduced to print by means of computer-assisted transcription, and the same truly, and correctly reflects the proceedings had.

WHEREFORE, I have subscribed my signature and affixed my notarial seal as such notary public at the City of Little Rock, County of Pulaski, State of Arkansas, this the 15th day of July, 2018.

DEBBYE L. PETRE, CCR
NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR
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My Commission Expires:

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Participant	Medicaid ID	Effective Date	Action	Program Name
XXXXXX	XXXXXX	June-01-2018	Subject to Work Requirement	Arkansas Works

Healthcare Notice Details

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Person Reference Number: XXXXX

You Are Subject To The Work Requirement

You are receiving this notice because the work requirement for Arkansas Works applies to you. You must start your work activities in June.

What You Need To Do

Do Required Work Activities

Call 1-855-372-1084 in the next 3 business days to learn more about what you need to do to keep your Arkansas Works health insurance.

To keep your Arkansas Works insurance, you must:

- Do at least 80 hours of work activities each month.
- Report your work activities on time to DHS. (The deadline is the 5th day of the next month.)

Unless DHS sends you a notice that you do not have to report work activities, you must:

- Start your work activities in June.
- Report your June work activities by July-05-2018.
- Use Access Arkansas (www.access.arkansas.gov) to report your work activities to DHS.
- Keep doing this every month.

What happens if I do not report work activities?

If you do not report at least 80 hours of work activities by the deadline each month:

- You did not meet the work requirement. That makes you “non-compliant” for the month.
- When you are non-compliant for 3 months, you no longer can get Arkansas Works insurance.
- At the end of your third month of non-compliance, your Arkansas Works insurance will end. You will not be able to get Arkansas Works insurance for the rest of the year (through December).

See the flyer included with this notice for more information about the work requirement for Arkansas Works and how to report your work activities.

Additional Information

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You Must Report Changes

You must always report changes which might impact your eligibility for benefits, including:

- Your address
- Who lives with you
- Your income

You must report changes within 10 days of the change. If you do not report changes, you may get an overpayment. If you are overpaid, DHS may take legal action to take back that money. You could also be prosecuted for fraud.

If You Are Asked for Verification of Creditable Coverage

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You do not have to report work activities because you have an exemption.

- You are exempt due to pregnancy.
- Your exemption ends on November-30-2018.
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- You have the right to present your own evidence.
- You have the right to bring your own witnesses.
- You have the right to question any witness against you.

You Must Report Changes

You must always report changes which might impact your eligibility for benefits, including:

- Your address
- Who lives with you
- Your income

You must report changes within 10 days of the change. If you do not report changes, you may get an overpayment. If you are overpaid, DHS may take legal action to take back that money. You could also be prosecuted for fraud.

If You Are Asked for Verification of Creditable Coverage

If you get Medicaid and apply for other health insurance, the insurance company may ask you for verification of "creditable coverage." For help with that, contact a local DHS office.

#	Requirement	Description	Type	June 2018
1	Number and percentage of individuals required to report each month	-- # of individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, % were required to report work activities	Work Requirement	-- 7,909 individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 31% were required to report work activities
2	Number and percentage of beneficiaries who are exempt from the community engagement requirement	-- # of individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, % were exempt	Work Requirement	-- 17,906 individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 69% were exempt
7	Number and percentage of beneficiaries disenrolled for failing to comply with community engagement requirements	-- # of clients closed due to non-compliance -- Of AR Works clients closed, % closed due to non-compliance	Disenrollment	N/A for June
8	Number and percentage of beneficiaries disenrolled for failing to report	-- # of clients closed due to non-compliance who reported no work activity hours in the month that they closed. -- Of AR Works clients closed due to non-compliance, % who reported no work activity hours in the month that they closed.	Disenrollment	N/A for June
9	Number and percentage of beneficiaries disenrolled for not meeting community engagement and reporting requirements	-- # of clients closed due to non-compliance who reported more than zero work activity hours in the month that they closed. -- Of AR Works clients closed due to non-compliance, % who reported more than zero work activity hours in the month that they closed.	Disenrollment	N/A for June
3	Number and percentage of beneficiaries requesting good cause exemptions from reporting requirements (tracked manually)	-- # of "Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, % were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, % were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	Good Cause	No good cause requests were completed in June
4	Number and percentage of beneficiaries granted good cause exemption from reporting requirements	-- # of "Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, % were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, % were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	Good Cause	No good cause requests were completed in June
11	Number, percentage and type of community engagement good cause exemptions requested (tracked manually)	-- # of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % for each good cause reason	Good Cause	No good cause requests were completed in June
12	Number, percentage and type of community engagement good cause exemptions granted	-- # of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, % for each good cause reason -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % that were granted	Good Cause	No good cause requests were completed in June
13	Number, percentage and type of reporting good cause exemptions requested	-- # of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % for each good cause reason	Good Cause	No good cause requests were completed in June
14	Number, percentage and type of reporting good cause exemptions granted	-- # of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, % for each good cause reason -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % that were granted	Good Cause	No good cause requests were completed in June
5	Number and percentage of beneficiaries who requested reasonable accommodations (tracked manually)	-- # of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, % that are granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, % that are denied	Reasonable Accommodations	No reasonable accommodation requests were completed in June
6	Number and percentage and type of reasonable accommodations provided to beneficiaries (tracked manually)	-- # of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted, % for each type -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, % that are granted	Reasonable Accommodations	No reasonable accommodation requests were completed in June
10	Number and percentage of community engagement appeal requests from beneficiaries (OHA)	-- # of appeals filed due to AR Works closures due to non-compliance	Other	N/A for June
15	Number of appeals of dis-enrollments for non-compliance with community engagement		Other	N/A for June
16	Number of appeals for dis-enrollments for failure to comply with the reporting requirements		Other	N/A for June

#	Requirement	Description	Type	June 2018
17	Number and percentage of applications made in-person, via phone, via mail and electronically.	CMS KPI 5 - Includes both MAGI and non-MAGI	Other	-- 17,912 Applications Received by Medicaid Agency -- 5,301 Online Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (29.6%) -- 12,561 Mail Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (70.1%) -- 50 Phone Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (0.3%) Note - System does not distinguish between in-person and mail applications.

#	Requirement	Description	Type	July 2018	August 2018	September 2018
1	Number and percentage of individuals required to report each month	-- # of individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, % were required to report work activities	Work Requirement	-- 13,566 individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 31.0% were required to report work activities	-- 17,575 individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 29.3% were required to report work activities	-- 18,289 individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 25.0% were required to report work activities
2	Number and percentage of beneficiaries who are exempt from the community engagement requirement	-- # of individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, % were exempt	Work Requirement	-- 30,228 individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 69.0% were exempt	-- 42,437 individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 70.7% were exempt	-- 54,977 individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 75.0% were exempt
7	Number and percentage of beneficiaries disenrolled for failing to comply with community engagement requirements	-- # of clients closed due to non-compliance -- Of AR Works clients closed, % closed due to non-compliance	Disenrollment	N/A for July	-- 4,353 individuals closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement -- Of AR Works individuals closed, 24% closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement	-- 4,109 individuals closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement -- Of AR Works individuals closed, 27% closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement
8	Number and percentage of beneficiaries disenrolled for failing to report	-- # of clients closed due to non-compliance who reported no work activity hours in the month that they closed. -- Of AR Works clients closed due to non-compliance, % who reported no work activity hours in the month that they closed.	Disenrollment	N/A for July	-- 4,301 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported no work activity hours in August. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 98.8% reported no work activity hours in August.	-- 4,069 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported no work activity hours in September. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 99.0% reported no work activity hours in September.
9	Number and percentage of beneficiaries disenrolled for not meeting community engagement and reporting requirements	-- # of clients closed due to non-compliance who reported more than zero work activity hours in the month that they closed. -- Of AR Works clients closed due to non-compliance, % who reported more than zero work activity hours in the month that they closed.	Disenrollment	N/A for July	-- 52 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported more than zero work activity hours in August. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 1.2% reported more than zero work activity hours in August.	-- 40 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported more than zero work activity hours in September. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 1.0% reported more than zero work activity hours in September.
3	Number and percentage of beneficiaries requesting good cause exemptions from reporting requirements (tracked manually)	-- # of "Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, % were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, % were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	Good Cause	-- 4 "Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 75% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 25% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	-- 49 "Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 61.2% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 38.8% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Note - There were 6 requests completed that were determined to not be good cause issues. They are not included in these metrics.	-- 172 "Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 79.1% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 20.9% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Note - There were 74 requests completed that were determined to not be good cause issues. They are not included in these metrics.
4	Number and percentage of beneficiaries granted good cause exemption from reporting requirements	-- # of "Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, % were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, % were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	Good Cause	-- 3 "Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 66.7% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 33.3% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	-- 45 "Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 64.4% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 35.6% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	-- 140 "Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 77.9% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 22.1% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests

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11	Number, percentage and type of community engagement good cause exemptions requested (tracked manually)	-- # of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % for each good cause reason	Good Cause	-- 1 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 100% Other	-- 19 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 47.4% Recipient Disability, 31.6% Technical Issue, 10.5% Hospitalization, 5.3% Serious Illness, 5.3% Other	-- 36 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 58.3% Recipient Disability, 11.1% Family Member Disability, 11.1% Hospitalization, 8.3% Life Changing Event, 8.3% Technical Issue, 2.8% Serious Illness
12	Number, percentage and type of community engagement good cause exemptions granted	-- # of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, % for each good cause reason -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % that were granted	Good Cause	-- 1 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 100% Other -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 100% were granted	-- 16 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 37.5% Recipient Disability, 37.5% Technical Issue, 12.5% Hospitalization, 6.3% Serious Illness, 6.3% Other -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 84.2% were granted	-- 31 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 54.8% Recipient Disability, 12.9% Family Member Disability, 12.9% Hospitalization, 6.5% Life Changing Event, 9.7% Technical Issue, 3.2% Serious Illness -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 86.1% were granted
13	Number, percentage and type of reporting good cause exemptions requested	-- # of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % for each good cause reason	Good Cause	-- 3 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 33.3% Family emergency, 66.7% Other	-- 30 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 36.7% Technical Issue, 16.7% Recipient Disability, 16.7% Other, 13.3% Serious Illness, 10.0% Family Member Disability, 3.3% Birth of Family Member living in Home, 3.3% Hospitalization	-- 136 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 72.8% Technical Issue, 8.1% Recipient Disability, 5.1% Hospitalization, 5.1% Life Changing Event, 4.4% Family Member Disability, 2.9% Serious Illness, 0.7% Death of Family Member living in Home, 0.7% Other
14	Number, percentage and type of reporting good cause exemptions granted	-- # of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, % for each good cause reason -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % that were granted	Good Cause	-- 2 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 100% Other -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 66.7% were granted	-- 29 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 37.9% Technical Issue, 17.2% Recipient Disability, 17.2% Other, 13.8% Serious Illness, 6.9% Family Member Disability, 3.4% Birth of Family Member living in Home, 3.4% Hospitalization -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 66.7% were granted	-- 109 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 67.9% Technical Issue, 10.1% Recipient Disability, 6.4% Hospitalization, 6.4% Life Changing Event, 5.5% Family Member Disability, 2.8% Serious Illness, 0.9% Death of Family Member living in Home -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 80.1% were granted
5	Number and percentage of beneficiaries who requested reasonable accommodations (tracked manually)	-- # of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, % that are granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, % that are denied	Reasonable Accommodations	No reasonable accommodation requests were completed in July	-- 5 Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 0% were denied	-- 3 Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 0% were denied

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6	Number and percentage and type of reasonable accommodations provided to beneficiaries (tracked manually)	-- # of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted, % for each type -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, % that are granted	Reasonable Accommodations	No reasonable accommodation requests were completed in July	-- 5 Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted, percentage by reason: 60% Assisting Client on AR Works Portal, 20% Other, 20% Reason Not Identified -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted	-- 3 Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted, percentage by reason: 100% Assisting Client on AR Works Portal -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted
10	Number and percentage of community engagement appeal requests from beneficiaries (OHA)	-- # of appeals filed related to the work and community engagement requirement -- Note -- 11/9 -- A "total" from which to derive a percentage has not yet been defined with OHA.	Other	-- 6 appeals filed related to the work and community engagement requirement	-- 7 appeals filed related to the work and community engagement requirement	-- 24 appeals filed related to the work and community engagement requirement
15	Number of appeals of dis-enrollments for non-compliance with community engagement	-- Current appeals tracking does not identify appeals filed that are specifically appealing closure due to non-compliance. Additionally, the system does not distinguish between dis-enrollments for non-compliance with community engagement and dis-enrollments for failure to comply with the reporting requirements.	Other	Information Not Available	Information Not Available	Information Not Available
16	Number of appeals for dis-enrollments for failure to comply with the reporting requirements	-- Current appeals tracking does not identify appeals filed that are specifically appealing closure due to non-compliance. Additionally, the system does not distinguish between dis-enrollments for non-compliance with community engagement and dis-enrollments for failure to comply with the reporting requirements.	Other	Information Not Available	Information Not Available	Information Not Available
17	Number and percentage of applications made in-person, via phone, via mail and electronically.	CMS KPI 5 - Includes both MAGI and non-MAGI	Other	-- 19,144 Applications Received by Medicaid Agency -- 5,284 Online Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (27.6%) -- 13,810 Mail Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (72.1%) -- 50 Phone Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (0.3%) Note - System does not distinguish between in-person and mail applications.	-- 21,955 Applications Received by Medicaid Agency -- 6,418 Online Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (29.2%) -- 15,482 Mail Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (70.5%) -- 55 Phone Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (0.3%) Note - System does not distinguish between in-person and mail applications.	-- 13,915 Applications Received by Medicaid Agency -- 3,911 Online Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (28.1%) -- 9,968 Mail Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (71.6%) -- 36 Phone Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (0.3%) Note - System does not distinguish between in-person and mail applications.

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1	Number and percentage of individuals required to report each month	-- # of individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, % were required to report work activities	Work Requirement	-- 13,653 individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 19.8% were required to report work activities	-- 9,854 individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 15.2% were required to report work activities	-- 6,087 individuals required to report work activities -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 10.0% were required to report work activities
2	Number and percentage of beneficiaries who are exempt from the community engagement requirement	-- # of individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, % were exempt	Work Requirement	-- 55,388 individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 80.2% were exempt	-- 54,889 individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 84.8% were exempt	-- 54,593 individuals who were exempt -- Of AR Works individuals subject to the work requirement, 90.0% were exempt
7	Number and percentage of beneficiaries disenrolled for failing to comply with community engagement requirements	-- # of clients closed due to non-compliance -- Of AR Works clients closed, % closed due to non-compliance	Disenrollment	-- 3,815 individuals closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement -- Of AR Works individuals closed, 25% closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement	-- 4,655 individuals closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement -- Of AR Works individuals closed, 23% closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement	-- 1,232 individuals closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement -- Of AR Works individuals closed, 8% closed due to non-compliance with the work requirement
8	Number and percentage of beneficiaries disenrolled for failing to report	-- # of clients closed due to non-compliance who reported no work activity hours in the month that they closed. -- Of AR Works clients closed due to non-compliance, % who reported no work activity hours in the month that they closed.	Disenrollment	-- 3,755 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported no work activity hours in October. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 98.4% reported no work activity hours in October.	-- 4,581 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported no work activity hours in November. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 98.4% reported no work activity hours in November.	-- 1,214 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported no work activity hours in December. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 98.5% reported no work activity hours in December.
9	Number and percentage of beneficiaries disenrolled for not meeting community engagement and reporting requirements	-- # of clients closed due to non-compliance who reported more than zero work activity hours in the month that they closed. -- Of AR Works clients closed due to non-compliance, % who reported more than zero work activity hours in the month that they closed.	Disenrollment	-- 60 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported more than zero work activity hours in October. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 1.6% reported more than zero work activity hours in October.	-- 74 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported more than zero work activity hours in Novmber. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 1.6% reported more than zero work activity hours in November.	-- 18 individuals who closed due to non-compliance reported more than zero work activity hours in December. -- Of individuals closed due to non-compliance, 1.5% reported more than zero work activity hours in December.
3	Number and percentage of beneficiaries requesting good cause exemptions from reporting requirements (tracked manually)	-- # of "Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, % were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, % were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	Good Cause	-- 198 "Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 78.3% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 21.7% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Note - There were 93 requests completed that were determined to not be good cause issues. They are not included in these metrics.	-- 105 "Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 79.0% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 21.0% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Note - There were 47 requests completed that were determined to not be good cause issues. They are not included in these metrics.	-- 113 "Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 69.9% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests completed, 30.1% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Note - There were 43 requests completed that were determined to not be good cause issues. They are not included in these metrics.
4	Number and percentage of beneficiaries granted good cause exemption from reporting requirements	-- # of "Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, % were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, % were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	Good Cause	-- 182 "Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 78.6% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 21.4% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	-- 101 "Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 80.2% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 19.8% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests	-- 106 "Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 68.9% were "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests -- Of good cause exemption requests granted, 31.1% were "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests

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11	Number, percentage and type of community engagement good cause exemptions requested (tracked manually)	-- # of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % for each good cause reason	Good Cause	-- 43 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 51.2% Recipient Disability, 14.0% Family Member Disability, 4.7% Hospitalization, 4.7% Life Changing Event, 11.6% Technical Agency Issue, 14.0% Technical Client Support	-- 22 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 59.1% Recipient Disability, 9.1% Hospitalization, 22.7% Life Changing Event, 4.5% Technical Agency Issue, 4.5% Other	-- 34 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 64.7% Recipient Disability, 11.8% Life Changing Event, 5.9% Technical Agency Issue, 8.8% Technical Client Support, 2.9% Family Member Disability, 2.9% Serious Illness, 2.9% Other
12	Number, percentage and type of community engagement good cause exemptions granted	-- # of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, % for each good cause reason -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % that were granted	Good Cause	-- 39 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 56.4% Recipient Disability, 12.8% Family Member Disability, 5.1% Hospitalization, 2.6% Life Changing Event, 12.8% Technical Agency Issue, 10.3% Technical Client Support -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 90.7% were granted	-- 20 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 55.0% Recipient Disability, 10.0% Hospitalization, 25.0% Life Changing Event, 5.0% Technical Agency Issue, 5.0% Other -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 90.9% were granted	-- 33 "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 66.7% Recipient Disability, 12.1% Life Changing Event, 6.1% Technical Agency Issue, 9.1% Technical Client Support, 3.0% Family Member Disability, 3.0% Serious Illness -- Of "Work Requirement Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 97.1% were granted
13	Number, percentage and type of reporting good cause exemptions requested	-- # of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % for each good cause reason	Good Cause	-- 155 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 35.5% Technical Agency Issue, 24.5% Technical Client Support, 7.7% Recipient Disability, 7.1% Hospitalization, 12.9% Life Changing Event, 3.2% Family Member Disability, 7.7% Serious Illness, 0.6% Death of Family Member living in Home, 0.6% Birth of Family Member living in Home	-- 83 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 8.4% Technical Agency Issue, 27.7% Technical Client Support, 22.9% Recipient Disability, 12.0% Hospitalization, 16.9% Life Changing Event, 6.0% Family Member Disability, 4.8% Serious Illness, 1.2% Other	-- 79 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, percentage by reason: 15.2% Technical Agency Issue, 35.4% Technical Client Support, 15.2% Recipient Disability, 11.4% Hospitalization, 13.9% Life Changing Event, 3.8% Family Member Disability, 3.8% Serious Illness, 1.3% Death of Family Member Living in Home
14	Number, percentage and type of reporting good cause exemptions granted	-- # of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, % for each good cause reason -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, % that were granted	Good Cause	-- 143 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 37.1% Technical Agency Issue, 22.4% Technical Client Support, 7.7% Recipient Disability, 7.7% Hospitalization, 13.3% Life Changing Event, 2.8% Family Member Disability, 7.7% Serious Illness, 0.7% Death of Family Member living in Home, 0.7% Birth of Family Member living in Home -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 92.3% were granted	-- 81 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 8.6% Technical Agency Issue, 27.2% Technical Client Support, 23.5% Recipient Disability, 12.3% Hospitalization, 17.3% Life Changing Event, 6.2% Family Member Disability, 3.7% Serious Illness, 1.2% Other -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 97.6% were granted	-- 73 "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests granted, percentage by reason: 16.4% Technical Agency Issue, 38.4% Technical Client Support, 15.1% Recipient Disability, 12.3% Hospitalization, 12.3% Life Changing Event, 2.7% Family Member Disability, 1.4% Serious Illness, 1.4% Death of Family Member Living in Home -- Of "Reporting Good Cause Exemption" requests completed, 92.4% were granted

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5	Number and percentage of beneficiaries who requested reasonable accommodations (tracked manually)	-- # of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, % that are granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, % that are denied	Reasonable Accommodations	-- 6 Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 0% were denied	-- 1 Reasonable Accommodation Request completed -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 0% were denied	-- 2 Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 0% were denied
6	Number and percentage and type of reasonable accommodations provided to beneficiaries (tracked manually)	-- # of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted, % for each type -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, % that are granted	Reasonable Accommodations	-- 6 Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted, percentage by reason: 100% Assisting Client on AR Works Portal -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted	-- 1 Reasonable Accommodation Request granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted, percentage by reason: 100% Assisting Client on AR Works Portal -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted	-- 2 Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests granted, percentage by reason: 100% Entering Information Reported on Paper Into System -- Of Reasonable Accommodation Requests completed, 100% were granted
10	Number and percentage of community engagement appeal requests from beneficiaries	For Jun - Sep 2018: -- # of appeals filed related to the work and community engagement requirement -- A "total" from which to derive a percentage was not defined with OHA. Oct 2018 - onward: -- # of appeals filed related to the work and community engagement requirement -- Of appeals filed related to AR Works overall, % that are related to the work and community engagement requirement <i>Note: For reporting purposes, appeals are counted in the month that the DCO-assigned appeals and hearings staff receive the appeal from the Office of Appeals and Hearings.</i>	Other	-- 11 appeals files related to the work and community engagement requirement -- Of appeals files related to AR Works overall, 14.7% were related to the work and community engagement requirement	-- 11 appeals files related to the work and community engagement requirement -- Of appeals files related to AR Works overall, 21.2% were related to the work and community engagement requirement	-- 10 appeals files related to the work and community engagement requirement -- Of appeals files related to AR Works overall, 20.0% were related to the work and community engagement requirement
15	Number of appeals of dis-enrollments for non-compliance with community engagement	For Jun - Sep 2018: -- Current appeals tracking does not identify appeals filed that are specifically appealing closure due to non-compliance. Additionally, the system does not distinguish between dis-enrollments for non-compliance with community engagement and dis-enrollments for failure to comply with the reporting requirements. Oct 2018 - onward: -- # of appeals filed related to closure for non-compliance with the work requirement <i>Note: For reporting purposes, appeals are counted in the month that the DCO-assigned appeals and hearings staff receive the appeal from the Office of Appeals and Hearings.</i>	Other	-- 3 appeals filed related to closure for non-compliance with the work requirement	-- 7 appeals filed related to closure for non-compliance with the work requirement	-- 8 appeals filed related to closure for non-compliance with the work requirement

#	Requirement	Description	Type	October 2018	November 2018	December 2018
16	Number of appeals for dis-enrollments for failure to comply with the reporting requirements	<p>For Jun - Sep 2018: -- Current appeals tracking does not identify appeals filed that are specifically appealing closure due to non-compliance. Additionally, the system does not distinguish between dis-enrollments for non-compliance with community engagement and dis-enrollments for failure to comply with the reporting requirements.</p> <p>Oct 2018 - onward: -- See #15 – Arkansas does not distinguish between dis-enrollments for non-compliance with community engagement and dis-enrollments for failure to comply with reporting requirements.</p>	Other	Information Not Available	Information Not Available	Information Not Available
17	Number and percentage of applications made in-person, via phone, via mail and electronically.	<p>Data for this metrics is pulled from CMS KPI 5. It includes both MAGI and non-MAGI applications.</p> <p>When submitting KPI metrics to CMS, Arkansas updates the previous month's information.</p>	Other	<p>-- 20,464 Applications Received by Medicaid Agency</p> <p>-- 5,746 Online Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (28.1%)</p> <p>-- 14,647 Mail Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (71.6%)</p> <p>-- 71 Phone Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (0.3%)</p> <p><i>As of 1/16/2019</i></p> <p>Note - System does not distinguish between in-person and mail applications.</p>	<p>-- 28,959 Applications Received by Medicaid Agency</p> <p>-- 15,748 Online Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (54.4%)</p> <p>-- 13,117 Mail Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (4.3%)</p> <p>-- 94 Phone Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (0.3%)</p> <p><i>As of 1/16/2019</i></p> <p>Note - System does not distinguish between in-person and mail applications.</p>	<p>-- 28,858 Applications Received by Medicaid Agency</p> <p>-- 15,919 Online Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (55.2%)</p> <p>-- 12,825 Mail Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (44.4%)</p> <p>-- 114 Phone Applications Received by Medicaid Agency (0.4%)</p> <p><i>As of 1/16/2019</i></p> <p>Note - System does not distinguish between in-person and mail applications.</p>