



Maricopa County Behavioral Health System Funding Cuts FACT SHEET

- **Background and Previous Funding Reductions**
 - In just two years, Magellan has:
 1. Provided recipients with unprecedented choice in who provides their care and where they can best achieve their recovery goals by facilitating 25 direct care clinics and the Urgent Psychiatric Care Center (UPC) to join community management. The clinics are now all managed by one of four provider network organizations, Southwest Network, Choices Network of Arizona, People of Color Network, or Partners In Recovery, and the UPC is managed by ConnectionsAZ.
 2. Given community stakeholders a true voice and shared decision-making authority in shaping the vision, strategy and oversight of the Maricopa County RBHA program by establishing a 12-member Magellan of Arizona Governance Board, consisting of six Maricopa County community representatives and six Magellan representatives.
 3. Implemented Outcomes 360, a comprehensive and state-of-the-art outcomes and reporting measurement system that allows recipients to self-report how they're doing and how their services are working and confirmed recovery progress by achieving 90+ percent on the 70 key quarterly indicators reported.
 4. Implemented a provider outcomes dashboard to collect/analyze key recipient outcomes data and shift the system away from a focus on processes measurement to one that analyzes recovery outcomes in people's lives and allows people to make informed choices about where they receive care. The 18 dashboard measures can be reviewed by clinic, PNO and across the entire system, and are available for viewing at any time by visiting www.MagellanofAZ.com/dashboards.
 5. Introduced the *EnhancedMedSM* program, at no cost, to all of our provider partners who have used it to complete 174 in-person pharmacy consultations to date. *EnhancedMedSM* is an outcomes-based pharmacy consultation program that assists physicians, clinical teams and other health professionals in providing safe, appropriate and cost-effective care to recipients.
 - In FY2008, state behavioral health funding was cut by \$11 million. Magellan absorbed 86 percent of that cut and only passed a total of \$1.5 million along to the provider community, distributed across the entire network of 136 behavioral health providers or networks that oversee a group of providers.
- **FY2009 Cuts**
 - Legislative action in mid-December 2009 resulted in additional budget cuts for state agencies, with DBHS requiring an approximately \$15 million cut to non-titled funding for children and

adults utilizing general mental health and substance abuse services. Maricopa County's portion of this funding cut was \$13.7 million.

- Cuts of this magnitude would significantly reduce, and in some cases, eliminate services for nearly 12,000 Arizonans ineligible for AHCCCS facing behavioral health challenges. However, due to Magellan's and the provider community's responsible fiscal planning, the impact for this round of cuts will be mitigated.
- Some cuts will occur to prevention programs, but primarily in non-essential services. Core functions of prevention activities will be preserved.
- While this round of funding cuts has been mitigated due to good planning, and Magellan has a solid fiscal plan that ensures services remain intact through June 2010 (barring any additional cuts), Magellan has to plan for the transition of some services by July 2010, in particular for a significant number of children. As ideas solidify and translate into actionable plans over the next few months, Magellan will share those plans publically.
- **FY2010-11 Cuts and the Governor's Budget Proposal**
 - Arizona's fiscal crisis continues to challenge Arizona's elected leaders as they grapple with revenue deficits in the billions of dollars. Over the past two fiscal years, the behavioral health system has been minimally impacted, compared to other state services, by the economic crisis, due in large part to good fiscal planning by Magellan, DBHS and Magellan's provider partners, as well as the support of Governor Brewer in protecting behavioral health services.
- **The Future and Magellan's Outlook**
 - While previous funding cuts have been mitigated due to good fiscal planning, more cuts in FY2010-11 fiscal year and next will significantly impact the availability and scope of services for Maricopa County's more than 80,000 citizens facing behavioral health challenges. Magellan will work with its provider partners and DBHS, as well as its non-profit and community partners, to determine how to resize the system to accommodate much less funding, while still providing some level of service.
 - Despite potential funding reductions, Magellan's team remains committed to its mission of system transformation, and are focused on providing voice and choice to individuals in order for them to realize their desired mental health outcomes.
 - Looking forward, Magellan has been and will continue to focus on its five core clinical initiatives aimed at continuing to strengthen Maricopa County's behavioral health system:
 1. Focusing on outcomes
 2. Changing the system model from case coordination to clinical care management
 3. Suicide prevention and intervention
 4. Proactive crisis planning
 5. Health/wellness and lifespan longevity