

# Health Insurance Marketplace Enrollment of Tribal Members and Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs

(with TSGAC recommendations to T/TOs & CMS/CCIIO)

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## Agenda

- Review of Marketplace enrollment data for American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/ANs)
  - Trends in Marketplace enrollment, coverage years 2015 2022
  - By Tribal status:
    - (1) enrolled Tribal members and
    - (2) other AI/ANs ("non-Tribal member AI/ANs")
  - By state, for Federally-Facilitated Marketplaces (FFM) and State-Based Marketplaces (SBM)
  - Enrollment by health plan metal level
  - Enrollment by type of cost-sharing protections (referred to as "CSRs")
- When enrolled in CSRs, are AI/ANs receiving the CSR protections, whether Indian-specific or general CSRs?
  - Value of Indian-specific CSRs
  - Accuracy of Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) documents
  - Issuer compliance with CSR requirements
- TSGAC recommendations to CMS/CCIIO and Tribes/Tribal Health Organizations





# **Acronyms & Definitions**

- AI/ANs: American Indians and Alaska Natives, comprised of Tribal members and non-Tribal member AI/ANs
  - Tribal members: Marketplace enrollees who are members of a federally-recognized Tribe (and, as such, meet the ACA definition of Indian)
  - Non-Tribal member AI/ANs: Marketplace enrollees (1) who did not attest to Tribal membership in their application but did self-identify as an AI/AN in the "Household information" section or (2) who did attest to Tribal membership in their application but did not submit the required documentation

o *"1. Are you or is anyone in your household American Indian or Alaska Native?"* 

- CMS: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- CCIIO: Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, CMS
- T/TOs: Tribes and Tribal organizations
- ACA: Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
- PTCs: Premium tax credits
- CSRs: Cost-sharing reductions (also referred to as CSVs/cost-sharing variations)
- FFM: Federally-Facilitated Marketplace (for the purposes of this analysis, any Marketplace operating on the HealthCare.gov platform)
- SBM: State-Based Marketplace

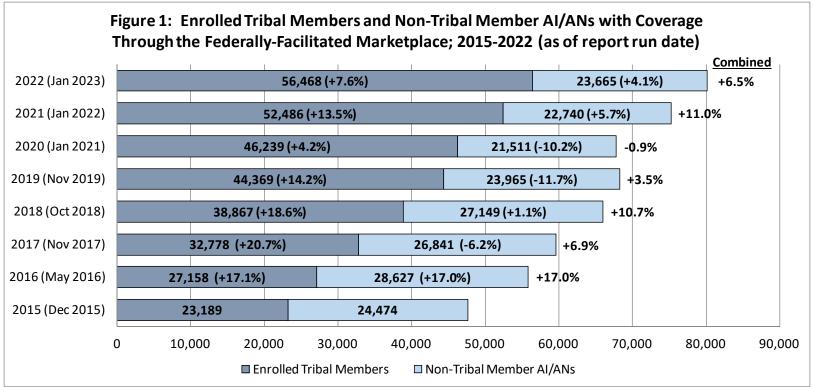




### Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members vs. Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs (FFM)

(point-in-time enrollment)

• Tribal Sponsorship programs and the individual initiative of AI/ANs have contributed to growing enrollment of Tribal members and non-Tribal member AI/ANs in Marketplace coverage over time (enrollment on report run date)







#### Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members vs. Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs (FFM)

(point-in-time enrollment)

- In 2022, FFM enrollment of AI/ANs (combined Tribal members and non-Tribal member AI/ANs) reached more than 80,000, an <u>increase of 6.5%</u> from 2021
- The change of overall FFM enrollment of AI/ANs masks significant differences in the year-toyear enrollment between the two groups of AI/ANs comprising the total
  - For Tribal members (who meet the ACA definition of Indian and qualify for comprehensive cost-sharing protections), FFM enrollment grew by 7.6% from 2021 to 2022
  - For **non-Tribal member AI/ANs**, FFM enrollment **grew by 4.1%** from 2021 to 2022
  - This difference in FFM enrollment growth between the two groups of AI/ANs has persisted over time





#### Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members & Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs, by <u>State</u> (FFM) (1 of 2) (point-in-time enrollment)

Table 1: Enrolled Tribal Members<sup>1</sup> and Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs<sup>2</sup> with Coverage Through the Federally-Facilitated Marketplace (FFM), by State; 2021 and 2022<sup>3,4</sup> (Suppress Cells <=11) Enrolled Tribal Members<sup>5</sup> Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs<sup>5</sup> All 2022 vs. State 2021 2022 % Change 2021 2022 % Change % Change 2021 586 1.0% 7.0% Alabama 592 1,085 1.161 82 4.9% 894 1,122 25.5% 196 24.5% 276 25.3% Alaska 244 1,051 1,175 11.8% 551 546 -0.9% 119 7.4% Arizona 1,054 Arkansas 792 33.1% 280 302 7.9% 284 26.5% \* 53 Delaware 89 99 11.2% --1,400 7.0% 2,324 2,540 Florida 1,498 9.3% 314 8.4% 450 494 9.8% 39 Georgia 1,175 1,170 -0.4% 2.4% 78 68 -12.8% 167 0.0% -10 -4.1% Hawaii 167 Illinois 334 323 -3.3% 526 484 -8.0% -53 -6.2% 34.6% Indiana 130 175 218 231 6.0% 58 16.7% -2 93 lowa 102 -8.8% 100 107 7.0% -1.0% 1,086 1,206 407 Kansas 11.0% 408 0.2% 121 8.1% Kentucky<sup>6</sup> 78 157 ------------Louisiana 218 213 -2.3% 360 375 4.2% 10 1.7% Maine<sup>6</sup> 126 154 ------------Michigan 1,159 1,259 8.6% 608 598 -1.6% 90 5.1% Mississippi 92 18.5% 159 210 32.1% 27.1% 109 68 Missouri 1.002 998 -0.4% 703 609 -13.4% -98 -5.7%

Source:

CMS, "Table 1: American Indian and Alaska Native Applicants and Enrollees in the Federally-Facilitated Marketplace," coverage year 2021-2022 data

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#### Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members & Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs, by <u>State</u> (FFM) (point-in-time enrollment)

- In the 36 states operating FFMs, enrollment of AI/ANs increased by 7.6% from 2021 to 2022
- FFM enrollment of AI/ANs varies substantially by state
- Among states with a relatively large AI/AN population, Oklahoma in 2022 reported by far the largest rise in the number of additional enrollees at about 2,300, representing a 7.5% increase over 2021 enrollment
- However, a number of other states showed more significant growth than Oklahoma in FFM enrollment of AI/ANs from 2021 to 2022 *on a percentage basis* 
  - Five states (Alaska, Arkansas, Mississippi, South Carolina, and Wyoming) registered a 20% or greater increase in FFM enrollment of AI/ANs from 2021 to 2022, with Mississippi showing the most significant growth at 27.1%
  - Excluding Oklahoma and these five states, enrollment of AI/ANs in Marketplace coverage increased by about 1,700, or a more modest 4.1%, from 2021 to 2022





#### Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members, by <u>State</u> (SBM)

(point-in-time enrollment)

In the 18 states operating SBMs, overall enrollment of Tribal members in health insurance coverage through a Marketplace increased by 14.7% from 2021 to 2022

Cost-Sharing Reductions (CSRs) in State-Based Marketplaces, 2021-20 (Suppress Cells <=11)	i	% Change           10.8%           18.3%
State         Tribal Members with Zero CSRs         Tribal Members with Limited CSRs           2021         2022         % Change         2021         2022         % Change           California         4,153         4,388         5.7%         1,319         1,674         26.9%           Colorado         431         470         9.1%         166         236         42.2%	2022 vs. 2021 590 109  	% Change 10.8% 18.3%  
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Kentucky 44 **		
Maine 90 33		
Maryland 51 66 29.4% ** **		
Massachusetts 164 119 -27.4% 47 68 44.3%	-24	-11.5%
Minnesota 194 190 -2.0% 150 165 10.1%	11	3.3%
Nevada 352 417 18.4% 72 88 22.2%	81	19.0%
New Jersey 189 170 -10.1% 71 61 -14.8%	-30	-11.4%
New Mexico 344 178		
New York 125 103 -17.5% 71 86 20.4%	-7	-3.7%
Pennsylvania 221 160 -27.7% 49 41 -17.0%	-70	-25.8%
Rhode Island 39 28 -27.4% ** **		
Vermont ** 12 ** **		
Washington 949 937 -1.3% 378 438 15.9%	48	3.6%
Totals 7,311 7,975 9.1% 2,445 3,210 31.3%	1,429	14.7%

Table 2. Enrolled Tribal Members<sup>1</sup> with Zero or Limited

Source:

CMS, "Average Effectuated Enrollment (as of December 2021)"; CMS, "Average Effectuated Enrollment (as of December 2022)"

Notes:

<sup>1</sup> An enrolled Tribal member is an individual who meets the definition of Indian under the Affordable Care Act as a member of an Indian Tribe or shareholder in an Alaska Native regional or village corporation.

<sup>2</sup> Figures are for December 2021 and December 2022.

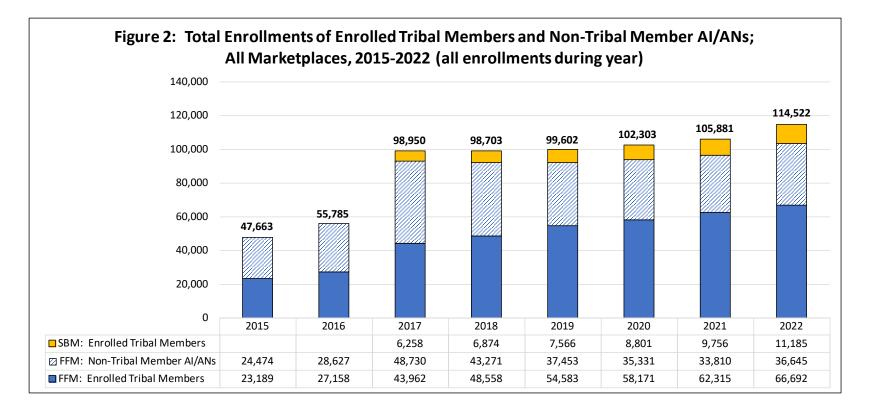




# **Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members and Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs (All Marketplaces)**

(enrollment at any point during year)

Total Marketplace enrollment of Tribal members and non-Tribal member AI/ANs at ۲ some point during the year **increased by 8.2%** in 2022 (vs. 2021)

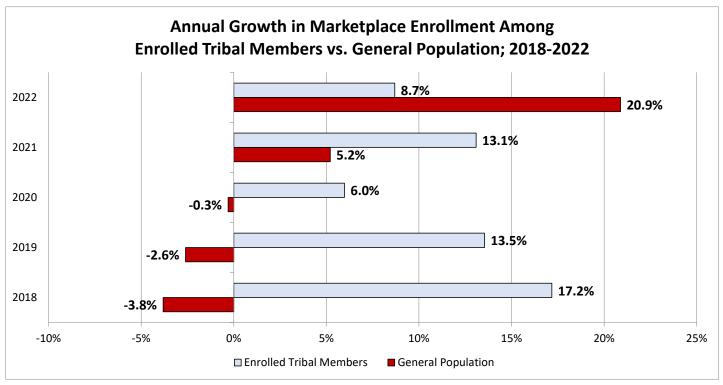






#### Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members vs. General Population (All Marketplaces) (point-in-time enrollment)

• Across all Marketplaces, annual enrollment growth among Tribal members typically has far outpaced growth among the general population, but that trend reversed in 2022



#### Notes:

<sup>1</sup> Growth for enrolled Tribal members is based on Marketplace enrollment on the date that CMS ran a report for a given year (*i.e.*, October 2018, November 2019, January 2021, January 2022, and January 2023).

<sup>2</sup> Growth for the general population is based on Marketplace enrollment during the open enrollment period for a given year.





# **QUESTIONS?**





### "Preferred Plans": Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members & Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs

- Among AI/AN FFM enrollees, the type of cost-sharing protections for which they qualify depends on <u>whether they meet the ACA definition of Indian, their income level, and PTC</u> <u>eligibility</u>
- Tribal members can enroll in either a zero or limited cost-sharing plan (both of which provide comprehensive cost-sharing protections), depending on their income level and PTC eligibility
  - Tribal members who have a household income between 100% and 300% FPL and qualify for PTCs are eligible for the "zero" cost-sharing protections
  - All other Tribal members who enroll in a Marketplace plan are eligible for the "limited" cost-sharing protections
- Non-Tribal member AI/ANs who have a household income between 100% and 250% FPL, and who are eligible for PTCs, can obtain general (partial) cost-sharing protections if they enroll in a silver plan





# Actuarial Value of Health Plans at Different Metal Levels

• "Actuarial value" means the average costs of health care services for enrollees that are paid by the health plan

Actuarial Value of "Metal Level" Plans and Requirement on Qualified Health Plans to Prepare SBCs for Each Plan Variation*									
	Actuarial Value (AV) of Plan (AV = average % of costs covered by plan)	Cost-sharing variation code ("plan variation")							
		01	02	03	04	05	06		
Plan (AV = average % of costs covered		Standard variant: no additional cost-sharing protections	Meet ACA Definition of Indian: Between 100% and 300% FPL ("zero" CSV)	Meet ACA Definition of Indian: <b>Any income</b> <b>level</b> ("limited" CSV)	<b>73% AV Level</b> <b>Silver Plan CSV</b> (200% FPL - 250% FPL)	<b>87% AV Level</b> Silver Plan CSV (150% FPL - 200% FPL)	<b>94% AV Level</b> Silver Plan CSV (100% FPL - 150% FPL)		
Bronze	60%	✓	$\checkmark$	✓					
Silver	70%	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	~	$\checkmark$		
Gold	80%	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓					
Platinum	90%	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓					

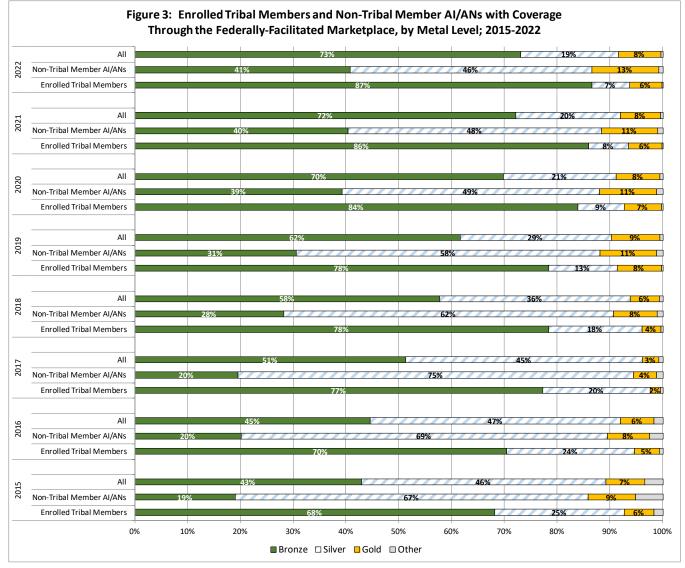
\* SBCs are Summary of Benefits and Coverage documents

• Health plans at different metal levels offer (1) same health benefits and (2) same provider networks (plans differ on cost-sharing amounts)





#### **Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs** Tribal Members & Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs, by Metal Level (FFM)







#### **Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs** Tribal Members & Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs, by <u>Metal Level</u> (FFM)

- Among AI/AN FFM enrollees, the preferred "metal level" of the Marketplace plan selected varies for Tribal members vs. non-Tribal member AI/ANs
- Most Tribal members enroll in Marketplace bronze plans (87% in 2022); non-Tribal member AI/ANs primarily enroll in silver plans (46% in 2022)
  - Differences among AI/ANs in selection of Marketplace plans by metal level typically results from differing eligibility for cost-sharing protections
- Over time, enrollment data indicate mixed trends in selecting the "correct" metal level for both Tribal members and non-Tribal member AI/ANs
  - The percentage of Tribal members enrolled in bronze plans through the Marketplace has <u>increased</u> each year since 2015
  - Over the same period, the percentage of non-Tribal member AI/ANs enrolled in silver plans (which MIGHT make them eligible for general cost-sharing protections) has declined: from a high of 75% enrolled in silver plans in 2017 to 46% in the most recent data





# Eligibility Criteria for Indian-Specific Cost-Sharing Protections

• <u>All</u> Tribal citizens who enroll in Marketplace coverage are eligible for one of the two comprehensive Indian-specific cost-sharing protections

#### Type 1: Eligibility for Zero Cost-Sharing Variation

- Enroll in health insurance coverage through a Marketplace
- Tribal citizen (requires uploading documentation of enrollment status)
  - Eligibility for premium tax credits
  - Household income between 100% and 300% of federal poverty level

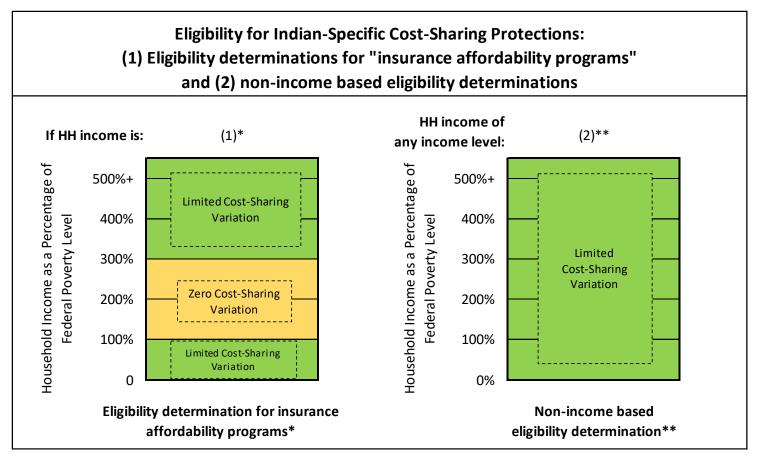
#### Type 2: Eligibility for Limited Cost-Sharing Variation

- Enroll in health insurance coverage through a Marketplace
- Tribal citizen (requires uploading documentation of enrollment status)
  - <u>No</u> requirement for eligibility for PTCs
  - <u>Any</u> household income level
  - A "Referral for Cost-Sharing" is needed to secure CSPs outside Tribal/IHS system





# Eligibility Criteria for Indian-Specific Cost-Sharing Protections (cont.)



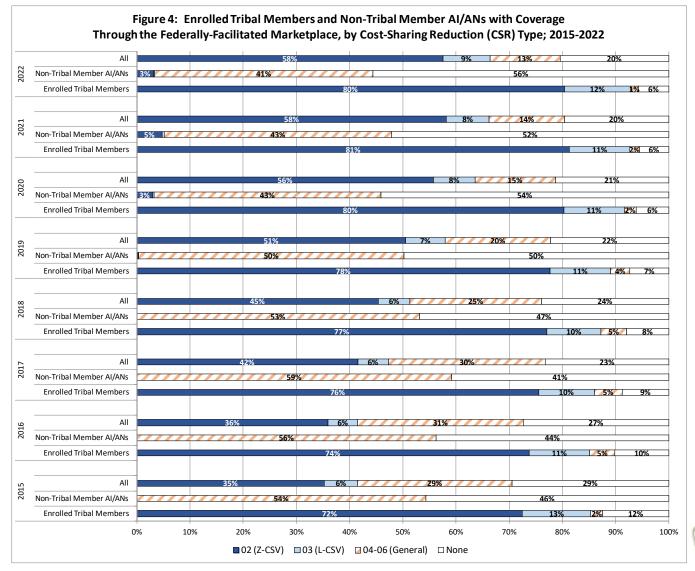
45 CFR § 155.350(a) Special eligibility standards and process for Indians.

\* 45 CFR § 155.350(a) Eligibility for cost-sharing reductions.

\*\* 45 CFR § 155.350(b) Special cost-sharing rule for Indians regardless of income.



#### **Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs** Tribal Members & Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs, by <u>CSR Type</u> (FFM)





### Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members, by <u>CSR Type</u> (FFM)

- The percentage of Tribal member FFM enrollees enrolling in the comprehensive Indianspecific cost-sharing protections (through either a zero or limited cost-sharing plan) has <u>increased</u> over time (**85% in 2015 vs. 92% in 2022**)
- At the same time, the percentage of Tribal member FFM enrollees receiving no cost-sharing protections has <u>continued to decline</u> (**12% in 2015 vs. 6% in 2022**)
  - CMS/CCIIO has indicated that Tribal member FFM enrollees do not receive the comprehensive Indian-specific cost-sharing protections through either a zero or limited cost-sharing plan for one of two reasons:
    - Because they enrolled in a plan with non-Tribal members, meaning the least comprehensive cost-sharing protections available to any of the plan enrollees would apply to all plan enrollees, or
    - Because they enrolled in a plan with individuals who attested to Tribal membership but did not submit the required documentation in time
- Among Tribal member FFM enrollees receiving the comprehensive Indian-specific costsharing protections, the percentage enrolled in a zero cost-sharing plan generally has <u>increased</u> over time, while the percentage enrolled in a limited cost-sharing plan has <u>remained relatively constant</u>





### Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Tribal Members, by <u>CSR Type</u> (FFM)

- According to supplemental data provided by CMS/CCIIO, during the 2023 Marketplace open enrollment period, 7% of the 63,058 Tribal member FFM enrollees eligible for either the "zero" or "limited" Indian-specific cost-sharing protections <u>did not receive these</u> <u>protections</u>
- A far higher rate of Tribal member FFM enrollees eligible for the *limited cost-sharing protections* failed to receive these protections when compared with the failure rate among those eligible for the *zero cost-sharing protections* 
  - Of the 11,337 Tribal member FFM enrollees eligible for the limited cost-sharing protections, 20% did not receive these protections
  - Of the 51,721 Tribal member FFM enrollees eligible for the zero cost-sharing protections, only 4% did not receive these protections





#### Trends in Marketplace Enrollment of AI/ANs Non-Tribal Member AI/ANs, by <u>CSR Type</u> (FFM)

- The percentage of non-Tribal member AI/AN FFM enrollees receiving the general costsharing protections has <u>continued to decline</u> since 2017 (59% in 2017 vs. 41% in 2022), while the percentage of those receiving no cost-sharing protections <u>reached a high of 56% in 2022</u>
- CMS/CCIIO has indicated that a significant portion of the 56% of non-Tribal member AI/AN FFM enrollees who received no cost-sharing protections would have qualified for the general protections based on their household income but <u>did not receive these protections</u> because they did not enroll in a silver plan
  - According to supplemental data provided by CMS/CCIIO, during the 2023 Marketplace open enrollment period, 23% (5,790) of the 24,883 non-Tribal member AI/AN FFM enrollees eligible for the general cost-sharing protections did not receive these protections because they did not enroll in a silver plan
  - Of these 5,790 non-Tribal member FFM enrollees, 76% enrolled in a bronze plan instead





# **QUESTIONS?**





# **Issues Regarding Zero/Limited Cost-Sharing Plans**

- Value of Cost-Sharing Protections: According to CMS/CCIIO, the value of costsharing protections under zero cost-sharing plans averages \$218 per enrollee per month (\$2,616 annualized), while the value of these protections under limited cost-sharing plans averages \$153 per enrollee per month (\$1,836 annualized)
  - Figures are national averages based on de-identified enrollment and claims data for 2021, the latest year for which data are available
  - As noted by CMS/CCIIO, figures are estimates and not exact amounts or substitutes for actual CSR reconciliation data (which the agency no longer collects)
  - Figures represent the difference in the amount of allowed costs paid by issuers for zero or limited cost-sharing plans versus the amount paid by plans with no cost-sharing protections at the same metal level
  - NOTE: Issuers might have higher costs paid for zero or limited cost-sharing plans, in part, because of higher utilization of health services among enrollees in these plans compared with enrollees in plans with no cost-sharing protections (and not solely because of the additional direct costs from covering the cost-sharing amounts)





# **Issues Regarding Zero/Limited Cost-Sharing Plans (cont.)**

- Accuracy of Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC): As of 2021, CMS/CCIIO indicated that "[i]ssuers must conform to the sample SBCs" for zero and limited cost-sharing plans, but a recent TSGAC study determined that the vast majority of the SBCs for limited cost-sharing plans did not use the (required) phrase "Cost sharing waived at non-IHCP with IHCP referral"
- Issuer Compliance with Cost-Sharing Protection Requirements: According to CMS/CCIIO, issuers are paying more than 99% of allowed costs under zero cost-sharing plans, indicating general compliance with requirements to provide cost-sharing protections to Tribal members enrolled in these plans, but continued uncertainty exists regarding issuer compliance with requirements for limited cost-sharing plans
  - Anecdotal evidence indicates many issuers are not complying with requirements for limited cost-sharing plans
  - CMS/CCIIO does not have available data on the percentage of allowed costs that issuers are paying under limited cost-sharing plans





# Required SBC Language for Referrals for Cost-Sharing (Limited Cost-Sharing Variation)

- As of 2021, in response to concerns from Tribes about errors in some SBCs, CMS/CCIIO began requiring health insurance issuers to use language provided in sample SBCs for Indian-specific zero and limited cost-sharing variation plans
- Sample SBCs use the following phrase to explain the "limited cost-sharing variation" protections: "Cost sharing waived at non-IHCP with IHCP referral"

	Services You May Need	What You Will Pay					
Common Medical Event		<u>Network provider</u> (You will pay the least)	Indian Health Care <u>Provider</u> (IHCP)	Out-of-network provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information		
If you visit a health care <u>provider's</u> office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	\$60 <u>copay</u> / visit	No charge		Cost sharing waived at non-IHCP with IHCP referral. If an <u>out-of-network provider</u> charges more than the allowed amount you may have to pay the difference		
				<ul> <li><u>Cost sharing</u> waived at non-IHCP with IHCP refe</li> </ul>			
	Chiropractic care	\$60 <u>copay</u> / visit	an <u>out-of-network provider</u> charges more than the allowed amount, you may have to pay the difference				
	Specialist visit	50% <u>coinsurance</u> after <u>deductible</u>	(balance billing).				
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	Preventive care/screening/ immunization	No charge	No charge	Not covered	You may have to pay for services that aren't part of the preventive health guidelines. Ask your provider if these services you need are preventive. Then check what your plan will pay for. Cost sharing waived at non-IHCP with IHCP referral. If an <u>out-of-network provider</u> charges more than the <u>allowed amount</u> , you may have to pay the difference (balance billing).		

https://www.sanfordhealthplan.com/-/media/plan-documents/2020/HP\_2961\_i\_sd\_true\_6000\_lcs





# **TSGAC Recommendations to T/TOs & CMS/CCIIO**

- To further efforts to help AI/ANs secure comprehensive health insurance coverage through the Marketplace, as well as ensure that AI/ANs receive the most generous cost-sharing protections available, **T/TOs should consider**:
  - Requesting that CMS/CCIIO increase communications with plan issuers on the requirements in publishing SBCs pertaining to limited cost-sharing plans;
  - Conducting a follow-on survey of a sample of limited cost-sharing plan SBCs to determine compliance by health insurance issuers with the requirement to use the phrase "Cost sharing waived at non-IHCP with IHCP referral" when describing the limited cost-sharing variation protections and process;
  - Working with CMS/CCIIO to determine the extent to which health plans are providing the comprehensive Indian-specific cost-sharing protections to Tribal members enrolled in limited cost-sharing variation plans; and
  - Working with CMS/CCIIO to educate non-Tribal member AI/AN Marketplace applicants who qualify for the general cost-sharing protections based on their household income on the value of enrolling in a silver plan



