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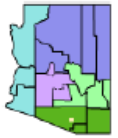

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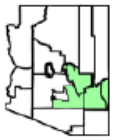

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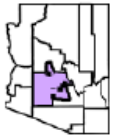

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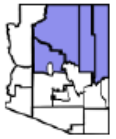

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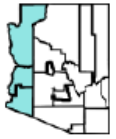

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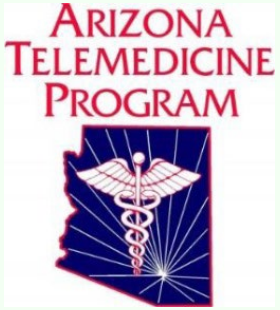
Medicaid School Based Claiming:

How the AHCCCS "Open Care" Model Serves Arizona

January 27, 2022



New Webinar Series: Occupational and Physical Therapy healthcare professional

- Created focus group with OT and PT practitioners.
- Distributed needs assessment with support from both Arizona OT and PT associations through their membership.
- Applied for and got approved for American Occupational Therapy Association Approved Provider Program for offering continuing education credits.

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Improving Access to Quality Medical Care

The practice and delivery of healthcare is changing with an emphasis on improving quality, safety, efficiency, and access to care. Telemedicine can help you achieve these goals! The Arizona Telemedicine Program, and the Southwest Telehealth Resource Center invite you to a free one-hour webinar on the implementation and practice of telemedicine via a virtual platform.

Occupational and Physical Therapy Webinar Series Session 1:

Building Relationships and Rapport with Telehealth

New Date: Tuesday, February 22, 2022 *~ 5:30 PM MST*

The Arizona Telemedicine Program (ATP) has been providing educational programs for 25 years. Our mission is to be a world-class innovator in telemedicine and telehealth services, technologies, and education programs. With the increased use across all healthcare disciplines, ATP telehealth trainers are collaborating with occupational therapists (OT) and physical therapists (PT) in creating a unique webinar series specifically for virtual OT and PT healthcare professionals. This is a distance learning-interactive activity designed to teach about telehealth and how it benefits both practitioners and clients.

NEXT DATE IN SERIES:
Session 2 – Mar 1, 2022
Session 3 – Apr 26, 2022
Session 4 – TBD

Educational Level: Introductory
Learning Outcomes:

- Describe two advantages of a virtual visit.
- List two strategies to improve client outcomes utilizing telehealth.
- Identify two current advances in teletherapy that can be incorporated within scope of practice.

Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement:
All Faculty, and Professional Development Planning Committee Members have disclosed that they do not have any relevant financial relationships with commercial interests that could constitute a conflict of interest concerning this educational activity.

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For more information and registration instructions go to www.telemedicine.arizona.edu
In the event the activity needs to be cancelled by provider with or without new date, information will be posted on registration webpage, and direct email will be sent to registered participants. In the event a registered participant does not log in to live event, provider will cancel registration.

American Occupational Therapy Association
Approved Provider

Arizona Telemedicine Program/Southwest Telehealth Resource Center is an AOTA Approved Provider of professional development. PD activity approval ID#03937. This Distance Learning-Interactive is offered at .1 CEU Introductory Level, OT Service Delivery. AOTA does not endorse specific course content, products, or clinical procedures.

To request AOTA CEU, learners will need to complete electronic evaluation and credit request form after event. Virtual platform records learner log-in/out times.

Disability-related accommodations: This session will include auto-generated captions. To request any disability-related accommodations such as ASL interpreting or closed-captioning, please contact Melanie Esher-Blair at mesher@telemediciine.arizona.edu

This webinar is made possible through funding from the Office for the Advancement of Telehealth, Office of Health Information Technology, Health Resources and Services Administration (U1U42527).

Join us, Tuesday, February 22, 2022 ~ 1pm Arizona

at 12:00 pm PT/1:00 pm MT/2:00pm CT/3pm ET
For a Billing and Reimbursement Webinar

"Sharing is (Critical) Caring"

3 Takeaways:

1) How everything old is new (to CMS)
2) Learn about the new split-shared update to critical care (another modifier!)
3) How this may affect your tele-critical care services

Carol Yarbrough is a healthcare compliance and reimbursement specialist. Providing a unique background in legal, technology, revenue management, clinic management and both federal and state regulations, for the past four years, she has actively contributes to telehealth initiatives at UC Health. She works hands-on with professional fee and hospital-based fee professionals to implement billing strategies and provides real-time feedback to clinicians regarding documentation and staff with encounter guidance. She also trains CPT coding professionals at UC Medical Center in order to maximize EMR workflow with greater documentation and coding

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Critical Access Hospital (CAH) & Rural Health Clinic & Coding & Billing Bootcamp

This LIVE Bootcamp training focuses on clinical documentation, coding, & billing for Rural Health Clinics (RHCs) and Critical Access Hospitals.

Save the Date!
February 15-16, 2022

Who Should Attend?

- Coders/billers who have come from "traditional provider offices or hospitals" or are new to the unique nature of billing for the services Critical Access Hospitals and Rural Health Clinics.
- Managers who hire staff, manage people and policies, supervise the coding/billing staff will benefit by gaining a high-level overview of CAH & RHC designation criteria and the systems/processes required to maintain CAH & RHC status with emphasis on coding/billing.
- Providers who create clinical documentation (e.g. MD/DO/PA/NP) will benefit by gaining a better understanding the coding/billing nuances that are specific to different hospital service areas.

CEUs: 11 CEUs Approved by ArchProCoding & AAPC

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Critical Access Hospital (CAH) & Rural Health Clinic Coding & Billing Bootcamp

Day 1 Critical Access Hospital February 15, 2022 - 9:00 am - 3:30 pm MST (with breaks and lunch)

- Introduction to CAHs
- Overview of Coding Manuals (CPT/HCPCS. ICD-10-CM)
- Clinical Documentation
- Inpatient/Swing Bed Coding
- Surgery, ER, and Observation Professional Fee Coding
- CAH Billing
- Q&A

Day 2 Rural Health Clinic Coding & Billing February 16, 2022 - 9:00 am - 3:30 pm MST (with breaks and lunch)

- RHC background along with overview of Chapter 13 (Medicare Benefits Policy Manual) and Chapter 9 (Medicare Claims Processing Manual)
- Properly reporting services (including telehealth) during the Public Health Emergency (COVID-19 PHE)
- What constitutes an "encounter" and when can more than one encounter be reported on the same date
- Reporting preventive medicine services (e.g., IPPE and AWV) to Medicare
- Properly calculating medical decision making and selecting levels of E&M service in the outpatient office setting
- Many changes occurred in 2021 that will be covered
- Using time to determine levels of E&M service
- When to report using modifiers (e.g., -25, -59, -CS, etc)
- Overview of ICD-10-CM reporting guidelines
- Q&A

Required Class Materials (software simply doesn't give you access to all of the guidelines!)
2022 CPT manual (*AMA's Professional Edition strongly recommended*)
2022 HCPCS-II manual
2022 ICD-10-CM manual
CLICK HERE TO ORDER

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Telemedicine Training

February 7, 2022

- Track 1: **Developing a Telemedicine Program**
  - Approved for 4.0 CME credits
  - Adding session on “Addressing Disparities and Equitable Access to Telehealth” and “Resources for Telehealth: Building Connections and Relationships”

March 28, 2022

- Track 2: **Telemedicine Applications**
  - Applying for CME credits
  - Adding Telepediatrics - neonatal
  - Have 6 different Tele-services addressed: Peds, psychiatry, HIV (infectious disease), physical therapy, radiology, and nursing.

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Building Bridges, Connecting Two Worlds

February 15, 2022 | 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm PST

Holly Figueroa, Tribal Liason at Health Choice

Please join University of Nevada Reno School of Medicine for the next Diversity Health Series featuring Holly Figueroa discussing considerations in caring for American Indian patients. In this session, tribal history, tribal cultural awareness and cultural considerations when delivering service is discussed.

This event will take place virtually on Zoom: https://unr.zoom.us/j/82360974358?pwd=OWYrYUJ5bGVDbFdDdWhOcFowWU10Zz09

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https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/7116438211079/WN_pe_uF8IsRLqwop10caIdSw

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UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL: LAW 475D
GRADUATE LEVEL: LAW 575D

This course provides students with an overview of diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) considerations in the life sciences industry. The business, legal and broader risk management and compliance concerns life science professionals must address to be a leader and facilitate success in this complex and evolving industry are discussed. Relevant federal labor laws will be covered to provide a baseline legal framework that supports DEI in the life sciences industry. Emerging trends in the field will also be addressed.

This course counts towards the Master of Legal Studies in Health Law & Policy and the Master of Laws (LLM). Undergraduate courses can also be an elective or count towards a Bachelor of Arts in Law.

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For further information on this course, watch an exclusive interview with the course instructor: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nB4ihskZC6Q&list=PLo4rSNLHG9egmAUwcF4XekaAXRg3373wc&index=4

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Questions? E-mail: law-healthcare@arizona.edu

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Next NATA/SATA/AZ Telehealth Alliance Meeting:
Thursday March 3 @2pm – 4pm
HOT Topic: Tele-acute care, tele-ED care, who is providing or using these services and what has been your experience.
Please feel free to share with Dr. Mark Carroll in advance. Mark.Carroll@azblue.com
We look forward to the conversation and the sharing of challenges and best practices.

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Grants & Resources

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Monthly Grant Series

Meet the Grant Writing Experts & Write a Successful Grant!

- Second Tuesdays = Webinars
- Tuesday February 8 Kick Off
  Meet the Experts/Overview of Grants & Share HOT Tips
- Tuesday March 8 RUS Distance Learning & Telemedicine Grants
  (RUS DLT Grants)
- Tuesday April 12 Braodband – AZ and Beyond
- Second Thursdays = Virtual Office Hours
- Specific groups/regions/projects

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https://www.azcommerce.com/broadband/

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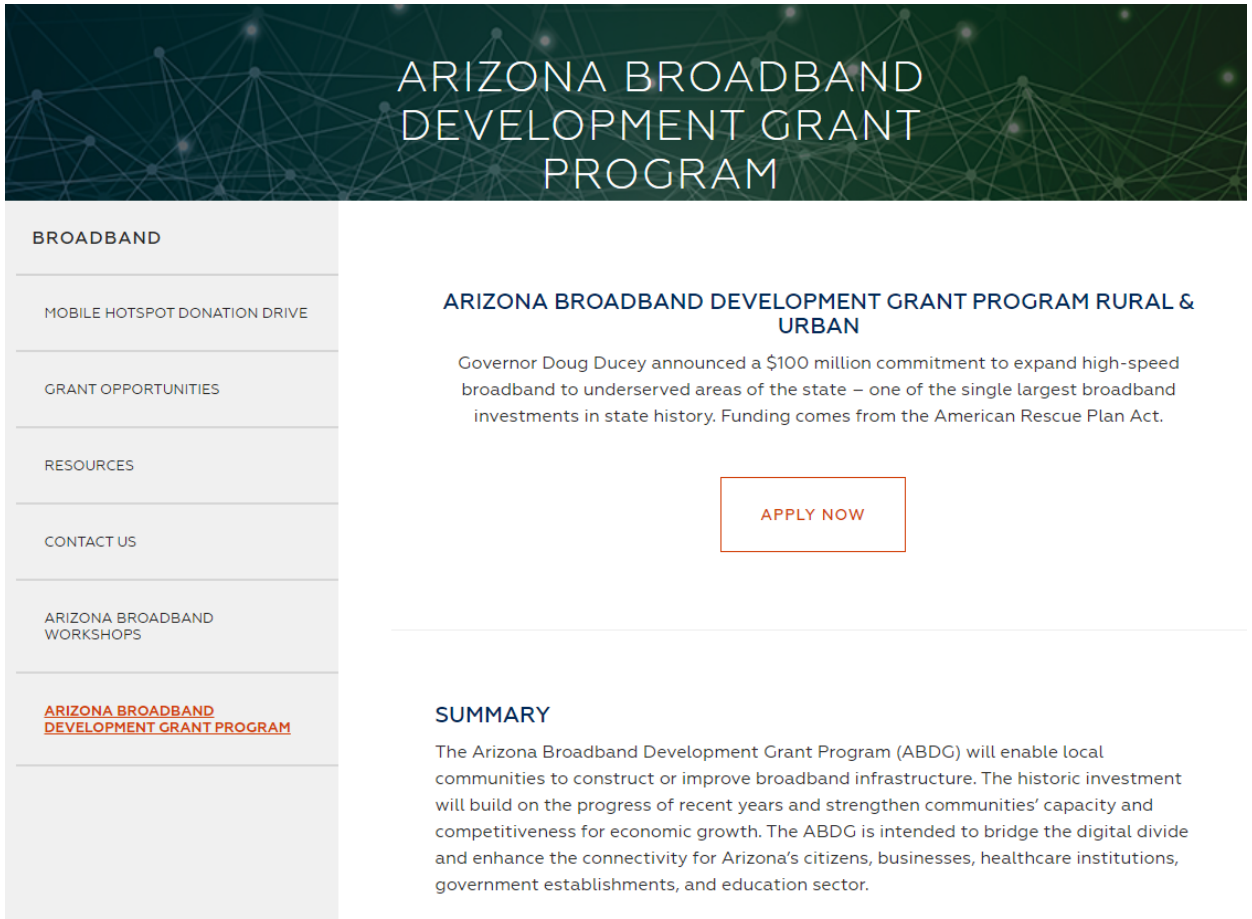

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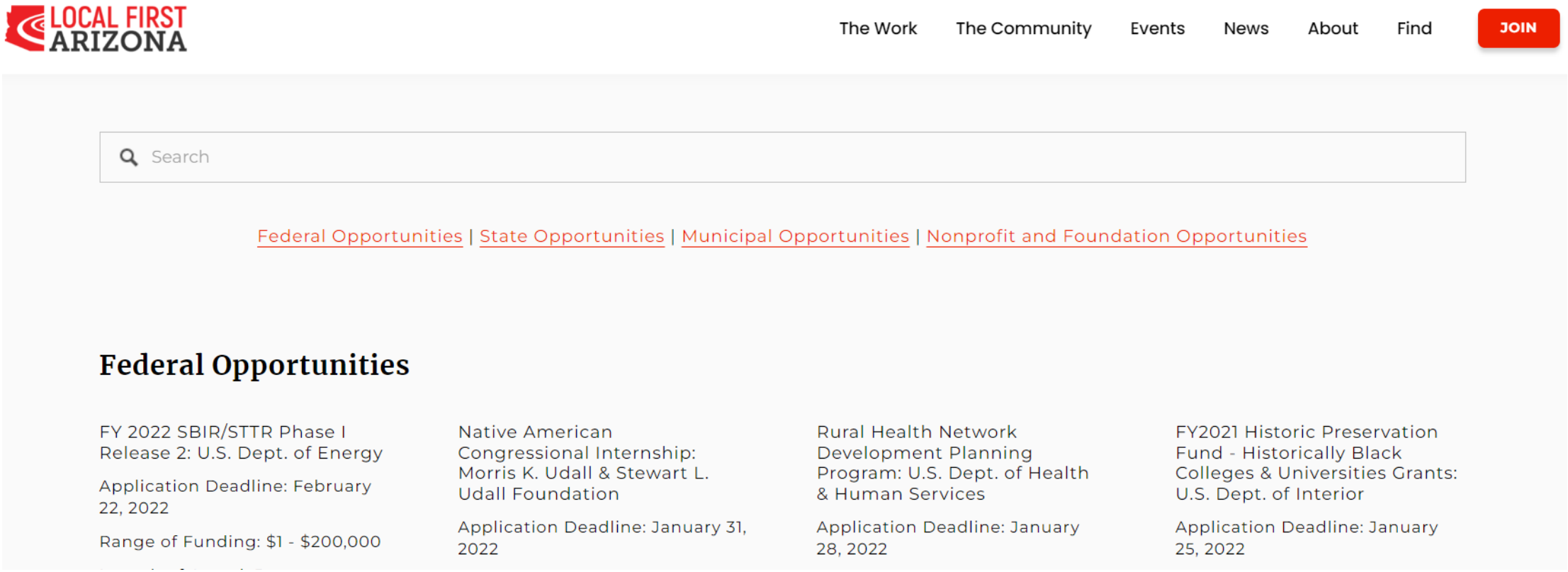

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EBB is now ACP!
ACPBenefit.org

- NEWSFLASH: the FCC's EBB Emergency Broadband Benefit is now ACP: the Affordable Connectivity Program.
- This continues an FCC benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the broadband they need for work, school, healthcare and more. The benefit provides a discount of up to $30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to $75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to $100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than $10 and less than $50 toward the purchase price.
- The Affordable Connectivity Program is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

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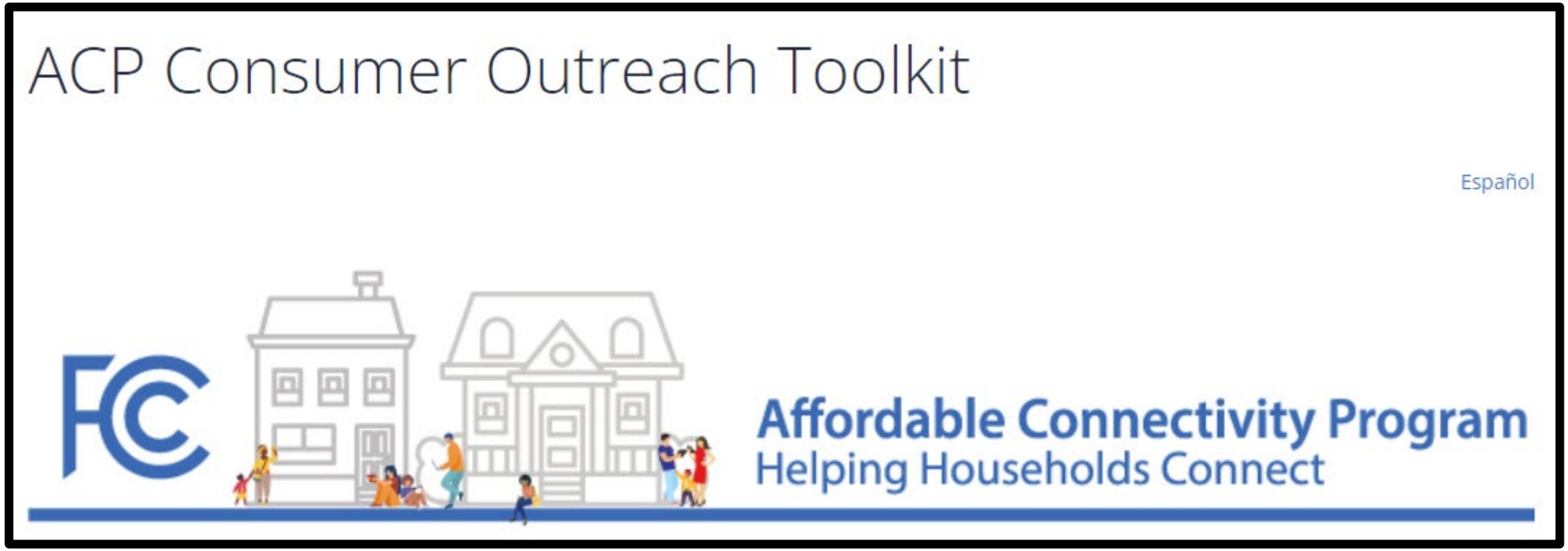
ACP Affordable Connectivity Program Toolkit Webpage

- https://www.fcc.gov/acp-consumer-outreach-toolkit



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Consumer Awareness Content

- **Fact Sheet** (8 1/2" x 11" Word) - English | Spanish
- **Fact Sheet** (8 1/2" x 11" PDF) - English | Spanish
- **Flyer I** (8 1/2" x 11" PDF) - English | Spanish
- **Flyer I** (8 1/2" x 11" PNG) - English | Spanish
- **Flyer II** (8 1/2" x 11" PDF) - English | Spanish
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- **Consumer Handout** (9" x 5" PDF) - English | Spanish
- **Consumer Handout** (4" x 4" PDF) - English | Spanish
- **Audio PSA** (MP3) - English | Spanish
- **Audio PSA** (Word) - English | Spanish
- **Tribal Benefit PSA** - MP3 | Word
- **Overview Videos** - English | Spanish | ASL
- **Newsletter Blurb** (Word) - English | Spanish
- **Press Release** - Word
- **Social Media Posts** (Word) - English | Spanish

Consumer handouts and the fact sheet are also available in Arabic, Chinese-Traditional, Chinese-Simplified, French, Haitian-Creole, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, and Vietnamese.

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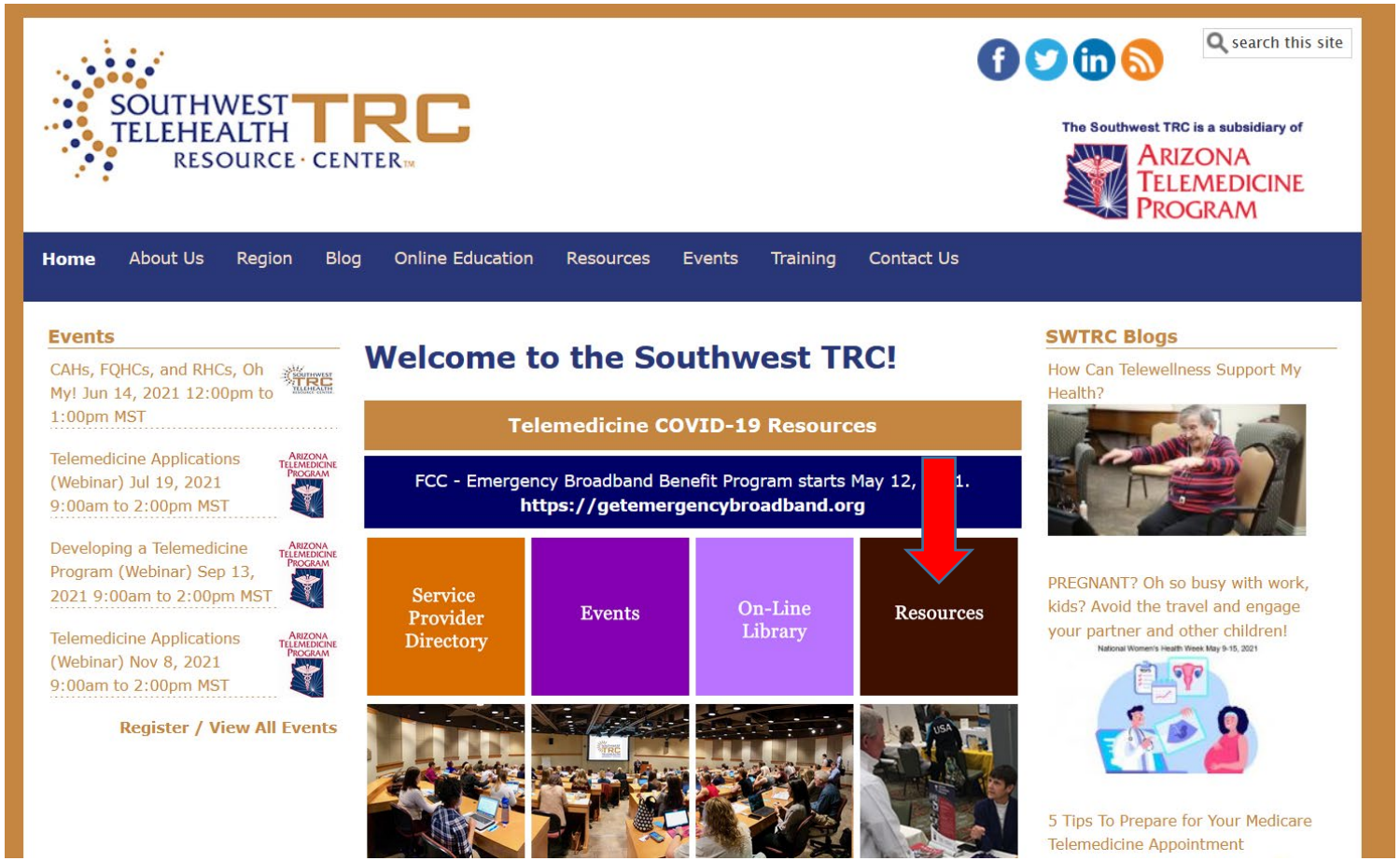

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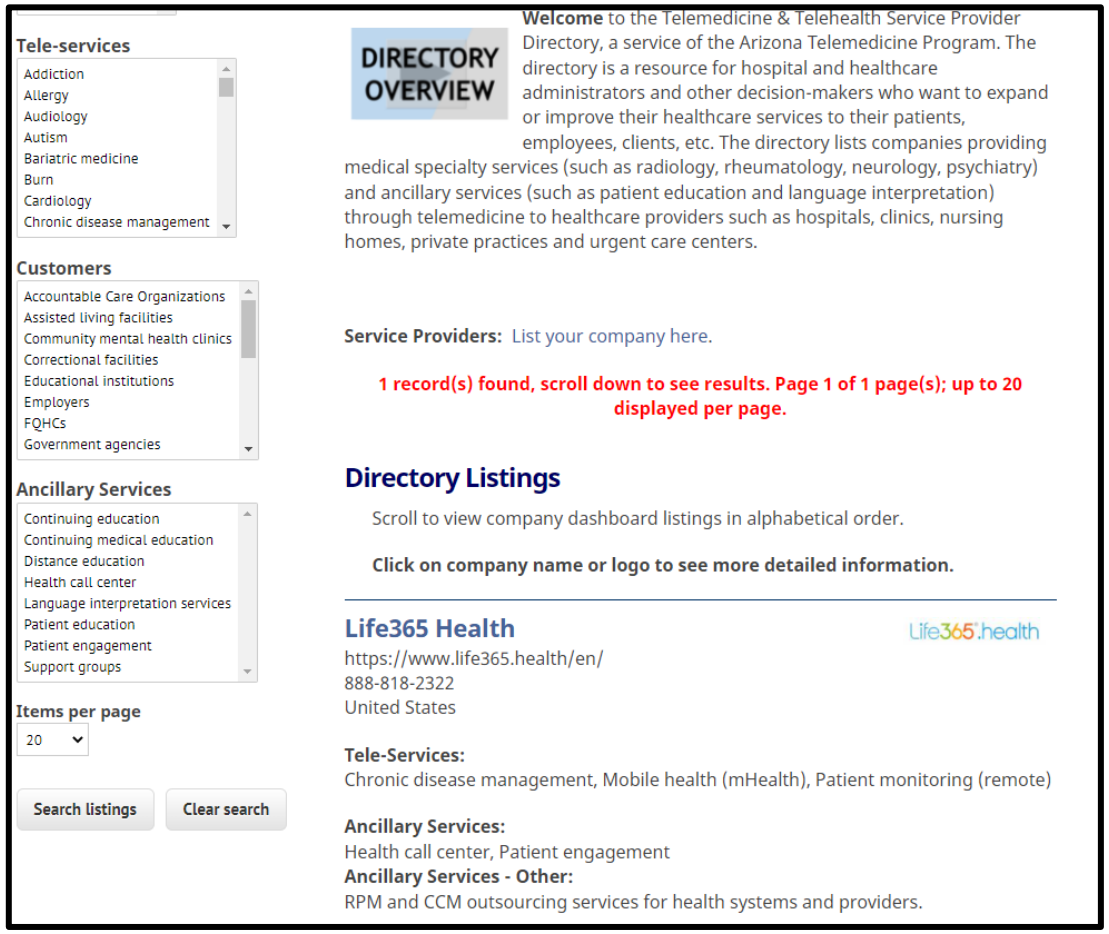

Top 10 Grant Writing Tips

- Start early
- Reach out to PO to verify fit
- Read review/scoring criteria & tailor grant to them
- Many require matching funds – get commitments & budget appropriately
- Clearly assess, document & summarize need/rationale/population served
- Have clear work plan with deliverables & timeline
- Metrics, benchmarks & criteria for success
- Collaborate – stakeholders, patients, industry, TRCs etc. – letters support
- Experience, skills, capabilities
- Have others read (critically) proposal

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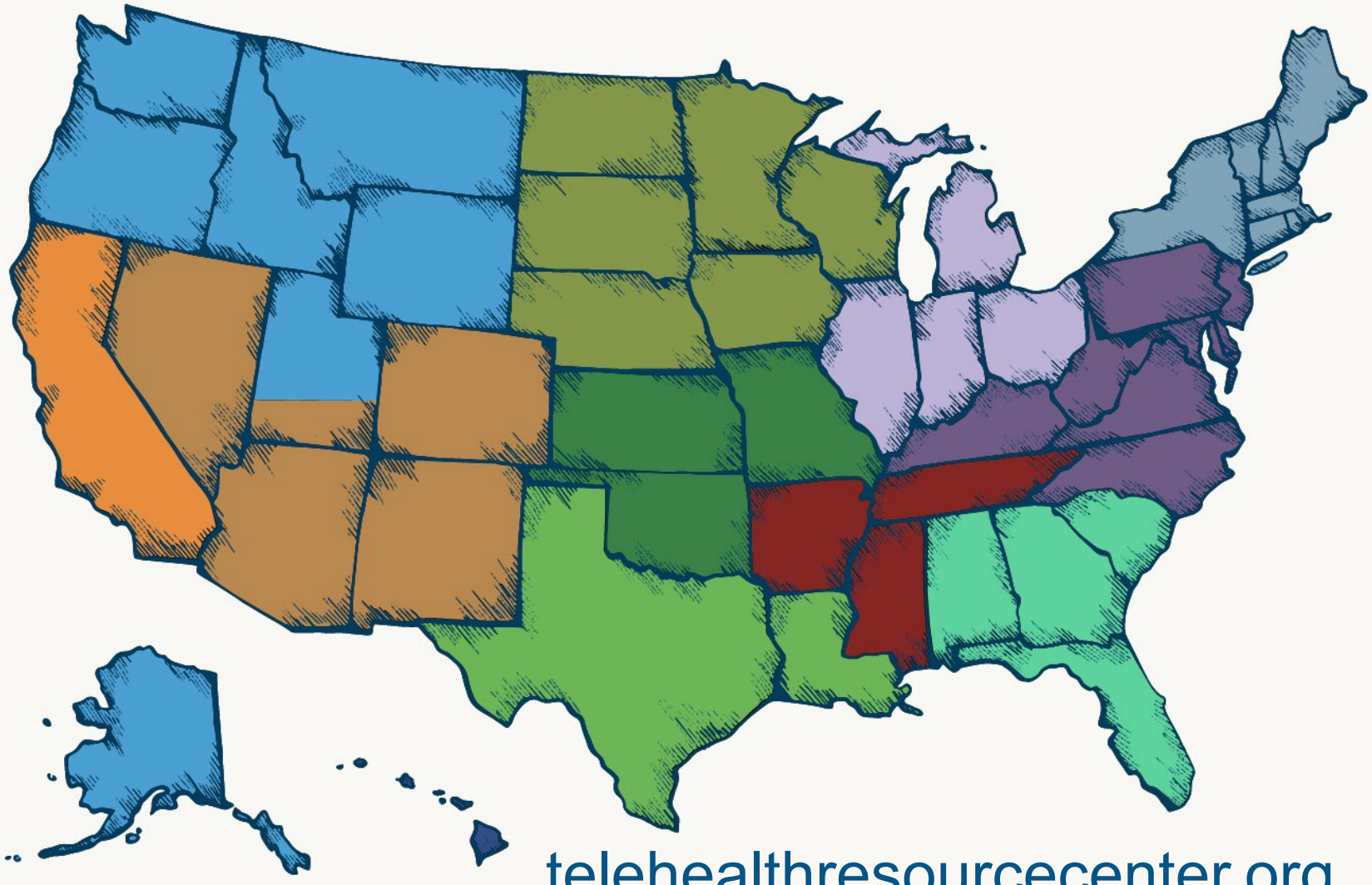

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REGIONAL CENTERS

NRTRC Northwest Regional Telehealth Resource Center

gpTRAC Great Plains Telehealth Resource & Assistance Center

Upper Midwest Telehealth Resource Center

Mid-Atlantic Telehealth Resource Center

Northeast Telehealth Resource Center

California Telehealth Resource Center
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Southwest TRC Telehealth Resource Center

TexLa Telehealth Resource Center

HTRC Heartland Telehealth Resource Center

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
South Central Telehealth Resource Center
LearnTelehealth.org

Southeastern telehealth Resource Center

Pacific Basin Telehealth Resource Center
The University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

NCTRC Webinars

https://telehealthresourcecenter.org/events/

- CHC Series
- Best Practices
- Information Security
- Medicaid and Permanent COVID-19 Telehealth Policies
- Provider Burnout and the EMR
- Remote Specialty Coverage: Telehealth Beyond Stroke

Resources for FQHC’s

FQHC Telehealth Resources

Our Telehealth Resource Centers have gathered resources specific to Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs). Example resources include a Critical Access Hospital Telehealth Guide and a webinar on Telehealth Essentials for FQHCs.

https://telehealthresourcecenter.org/collections/fqhc-telehealth-resources/

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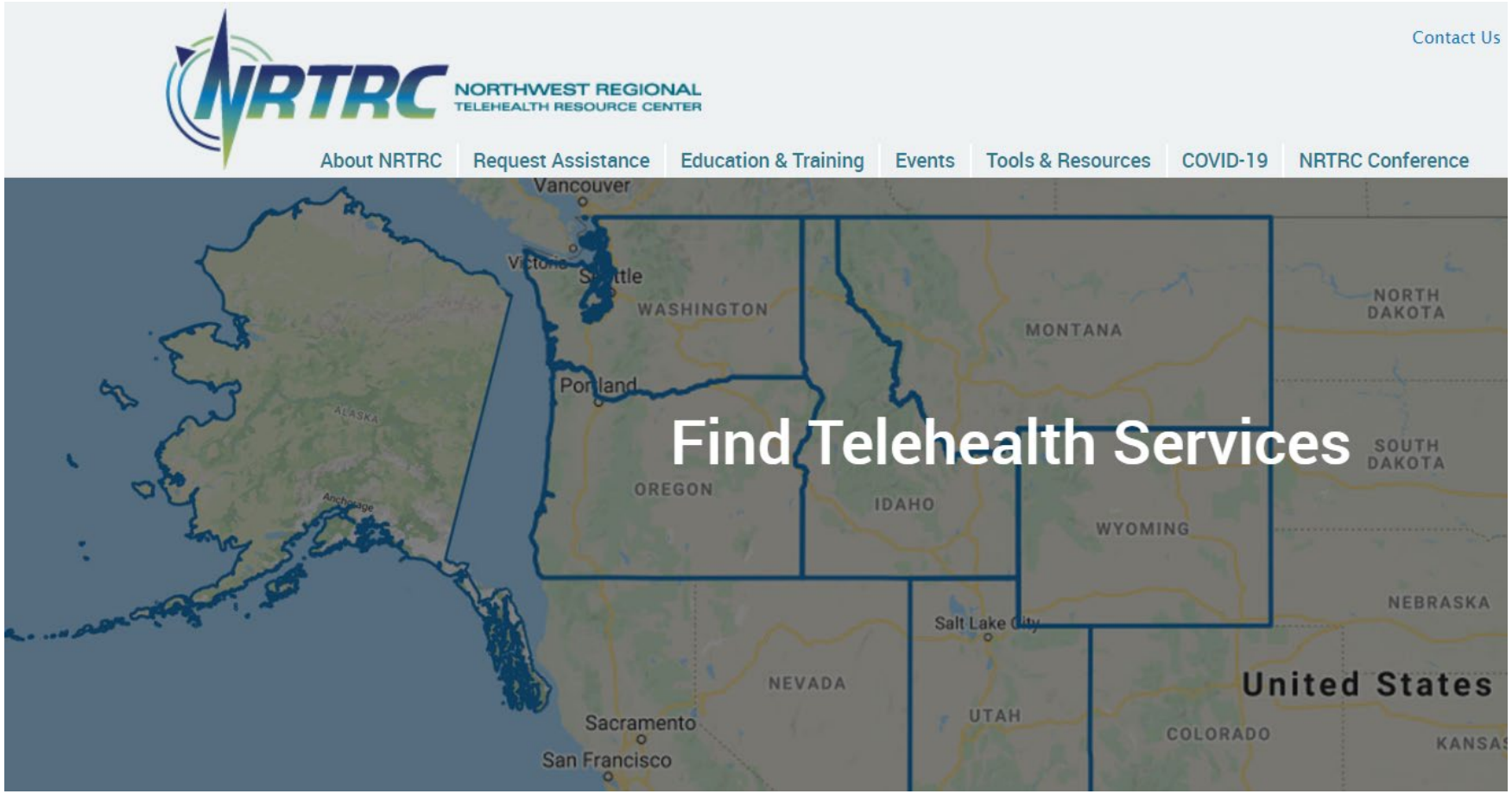

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It's Grant Season! See Winter Funding Opportunities Here!

Posted on December 21, 2021 by Kathy Wibberly

#FUNDING. Here are a list of federal and regional grant and other funding opportunities with either a focus or strong potential for telehealth applications that have winter proposal due dates.

(We recommend that you bookmark this page or add it to your home screen as we will be adding to this list periodically from now through February as more opportunities are announced!)

How are you celebrating Groundhog Day? Registration is open for the National Virtual Technology Showcase February 2nd and 3rd. You won't want to miss this FREE #telehealth technology event! To make sure you don't get left in the shadows, Register here: eepurl.com/hK0a09

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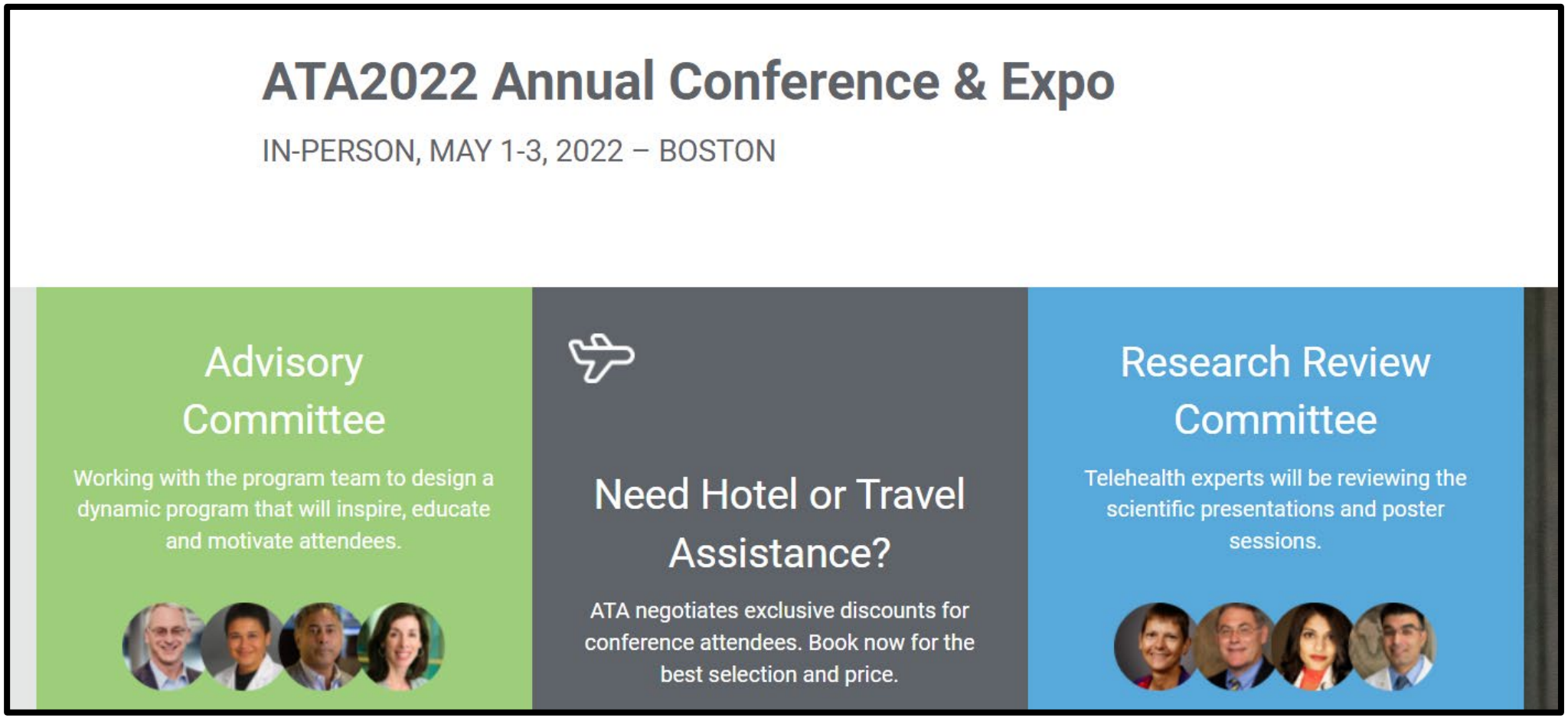

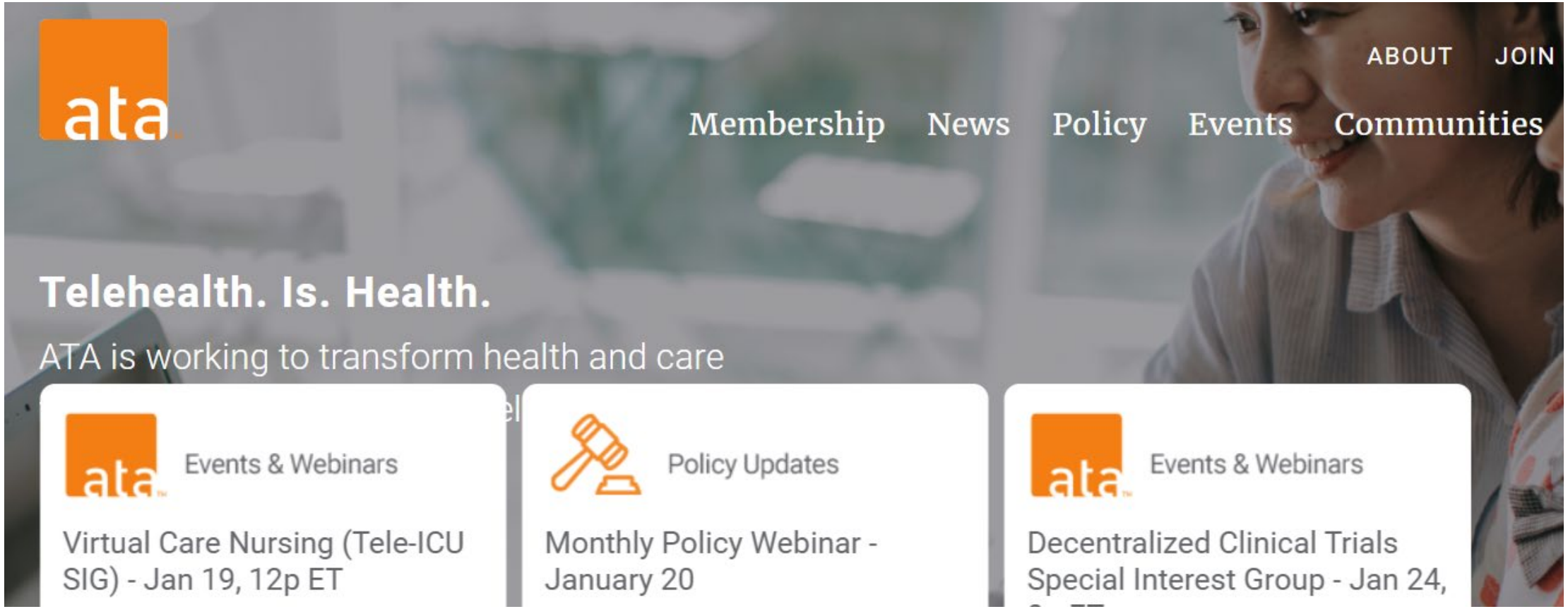
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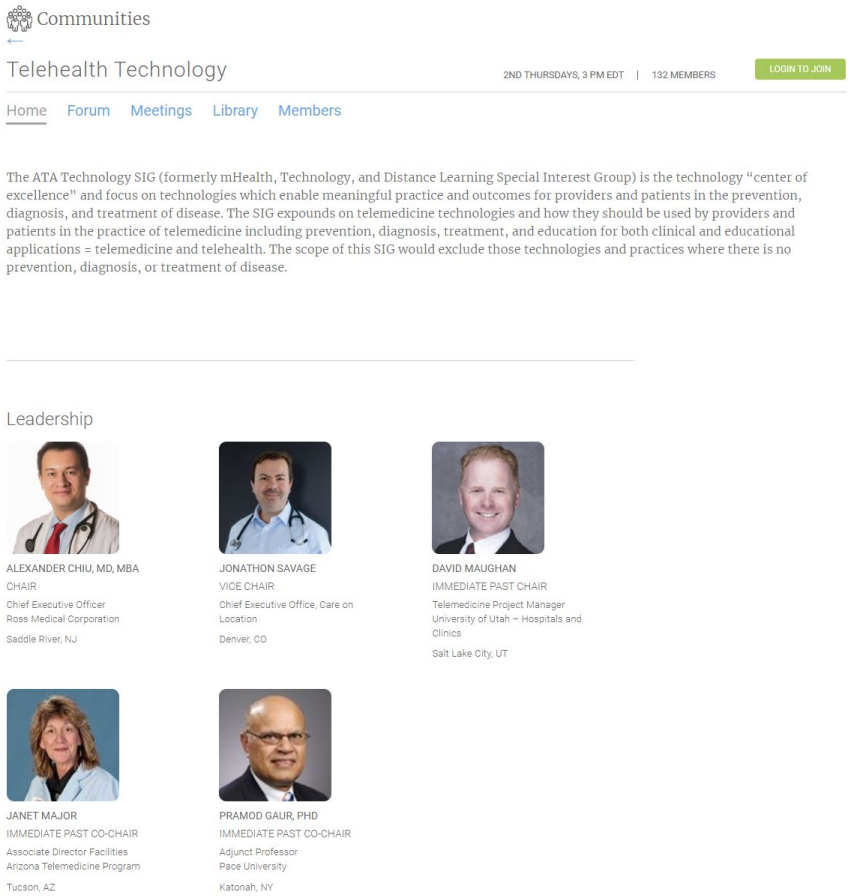
ATA is working to transform health and care
Events & Webinars
Virtual Care Nursing (Tele-ICU SIG) - Jan 19, 12p ET
Policy Updates
Monthly Policy Webinar - January 20
Events & Webinars
Decentralized Clinical Trials Special Interest Group - Jan 24,

ATA Technology SIG/Special Interest Group



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Telehealth Technology

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The ATA Technology SIG (formerly mHealth, Technology, and Distance Learning Special Interest Group) is the technology "center of excellence" and focus on technologies which enable meaningful practice and outcomes for providers and patients in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of disease. The SIG expounds on telemedicine technologies and how they should be used by providers and patients in the practice of telemedicine including prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and education for both clinical and educational applications = telemedicine and telehealth. The scope of this SIG would exclude those technologies and practices where there is no prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of disease.

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COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force

AZBSN Arizona Broadband Stakeholder Network
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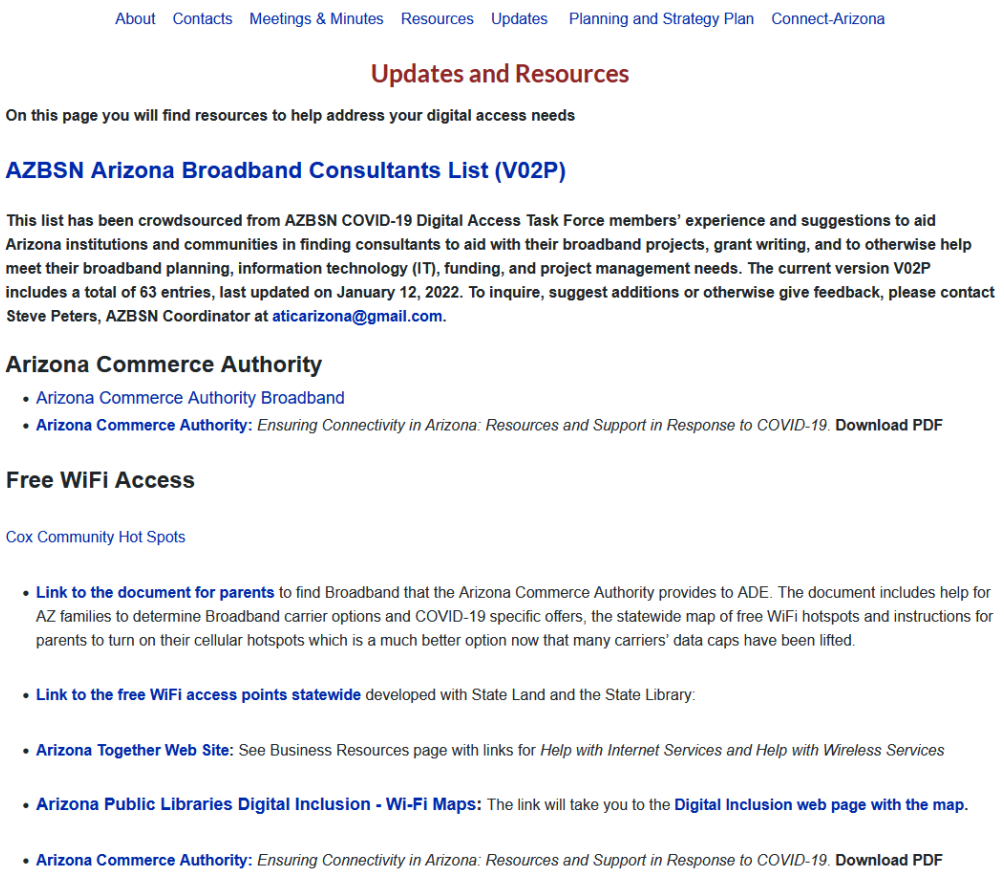

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Updates and Resources

On this page you will find resources to help address your digital access needs

AZBSN Arizona Broadband Consultants List (V02P)

This list has been crowdsourced from AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force members' experience and suggestions to aid Arizona institutions and communities in finding consultants to aid with their broadband projects, grant writing, and to otherwise help meet their broadband planning, information technology (IT), funding, and project management needs. The current version V02P includes a total of 63 entries, last updated on January 12, 2022. To inquire, suggest additions or otherwise give feedback, please contact Steve Peters, AZBSN Coordinator at aticarizona@gmail.com.

Arizona Commerce Authority

- Arizona Commerce Authority Broadband
- **Arizona Commerce Authority:** *Ensuring Connectivity in Arizona: Resources and Support in Response to COVID-19.* **Download PDF**

Free WiFi Access

Cox Community Hot Spots

- **Link to the document for parents** to find Broadband that the Arizona Commerce Authority provides to ADE. The document includes help for AZ families to determine Broadband carrier options and COVID-19 specific offers, the statewide map of free WiFi hotspots and instructions for parents to turn on their cellular hotspots which is a much better option now that many carriers' data caps have been lifted.
- **Link to the free WiFi access points statewide** developed with State Land and the State Library:
- **Arizona Together Web Site:** See Business Resources page with links for *Help with Internet Services and Help with Wireless Services*
- **Arizona Public Libraries Digital Inclusion - Wi-Fi Maps:** The link will take you to the **Digital Inclusion web page with the map.**
- **Arizona Commerce Authority:** *Ensuring Connectivity in Arizona: Resources and Support in Response to COVID-19.* **Download PDF**

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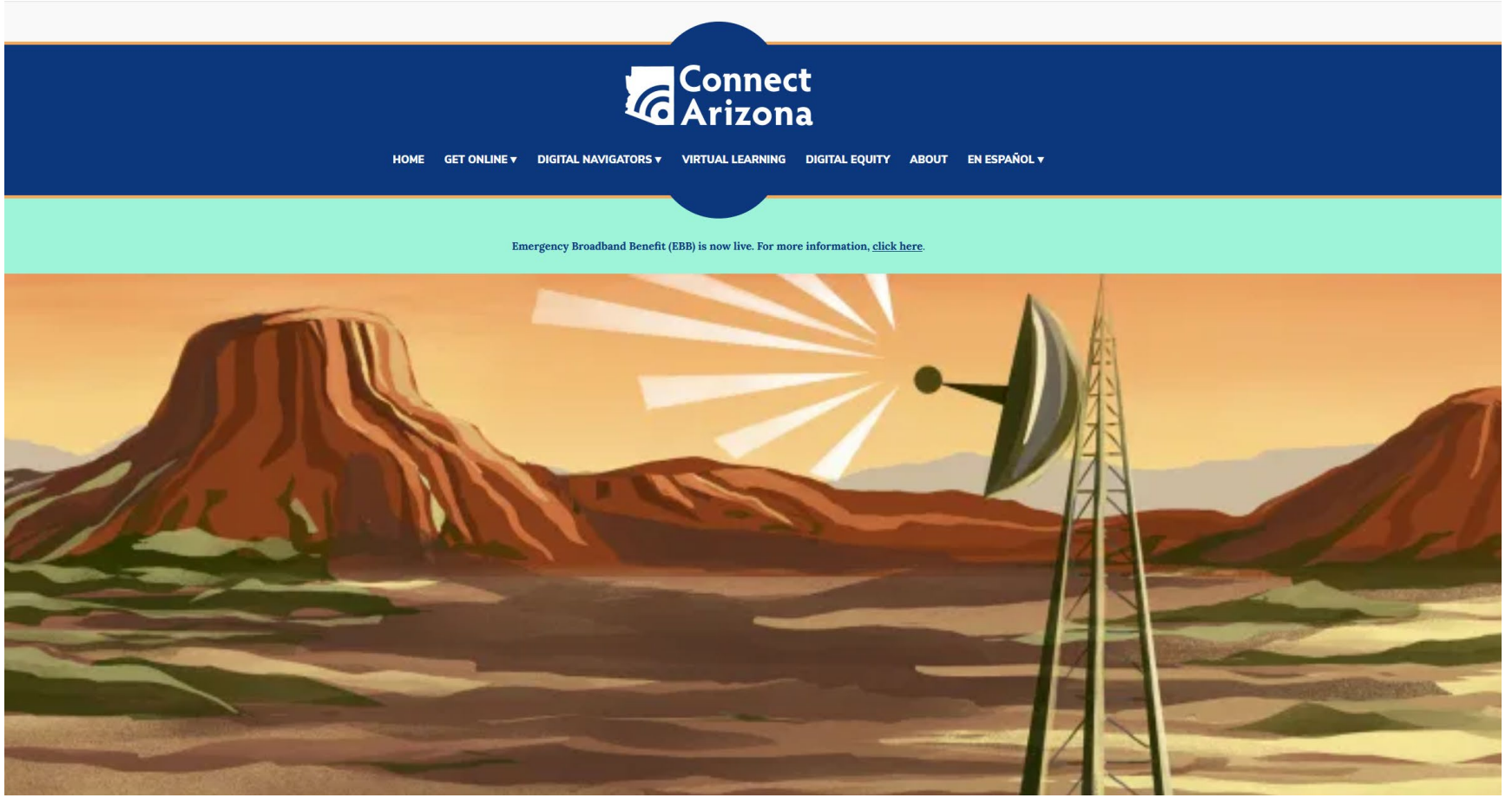

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The Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) is a temporary discount on monthly internet bills for qualifying low-income households.

- **Up to $50 per month** for broadband services purchased by eligible households and **up to $75 per month** for households located on Tribal lands.
- **A one-time discount of $100 for purchase of a desktop, laptop or tablet computer** from participating providers.

Applications are now available. Only one monthly service discount and one device discount is allowed per household.

▸ **Who is eligible?**

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Connect Arizona Digital Navigators are available to answer your EBB questions and help you thrive online. Make an appointment, or give us a text or call at 602-529-1519. We're available Monday – Friday from 9am to 6pm PST.

USAC's Emergency Broadband Benefit support hotline, (833) 511-0311, is open from 6am to 6pm PST, seven days a week. You can also email EBBHelp@USAC.org with program questions.

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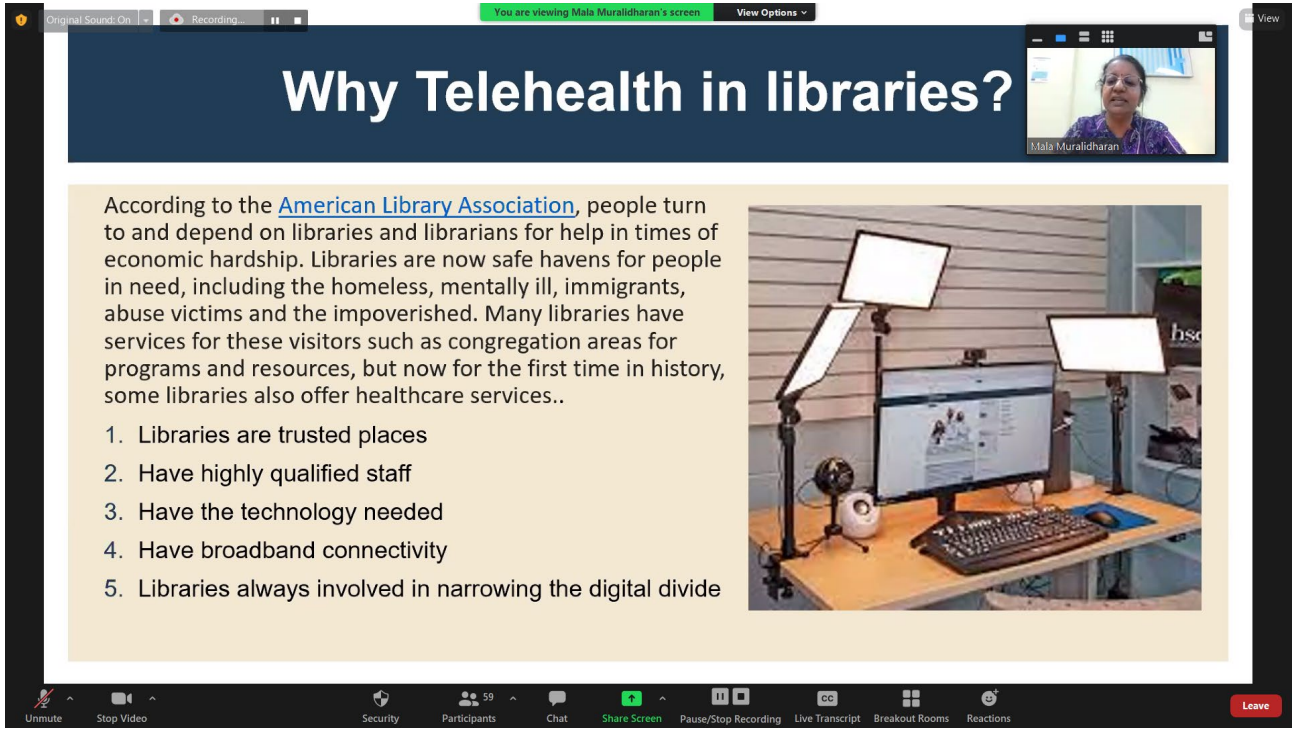

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Library eRate project with 2 pilot sites

- Ajo
- Arivaca
- One dedicated room for telehealth
- One medical grade pop-up tent
- Community Events
  - Health Screening Events
  - How-to workshops with off the shelf technology
  - Diabetes Education
  - STEM/STEAM/Maker Events

Recruit and Prepare the healthcare workforce of the future!

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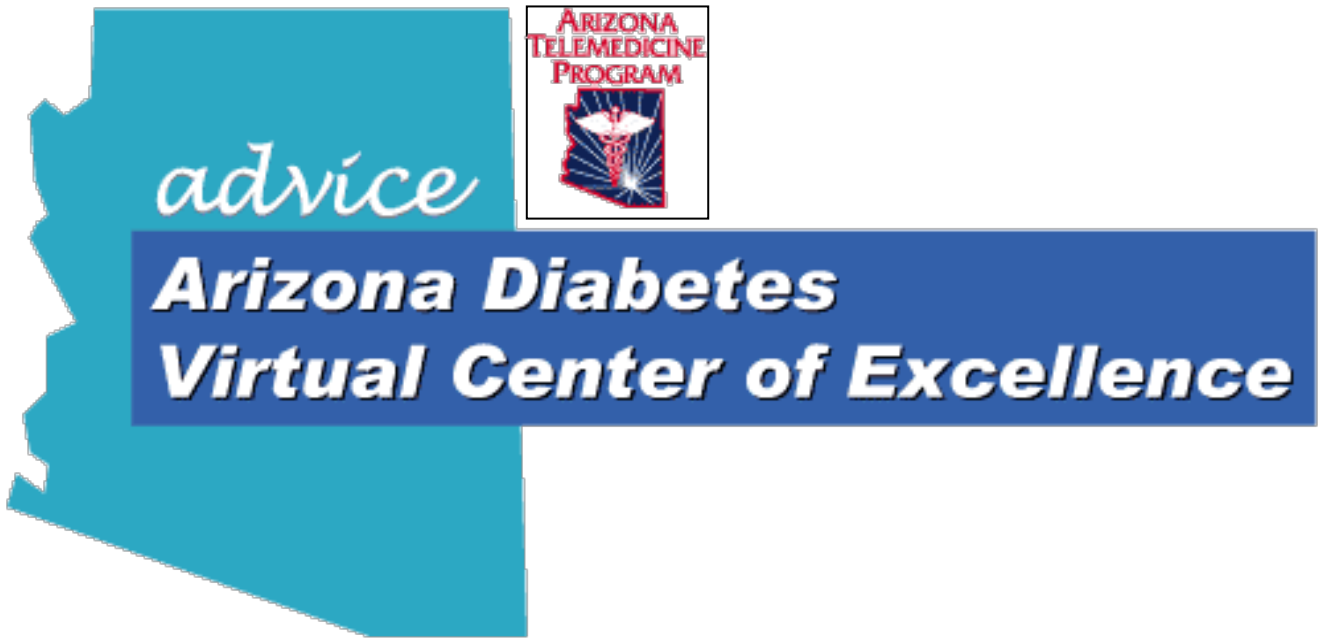
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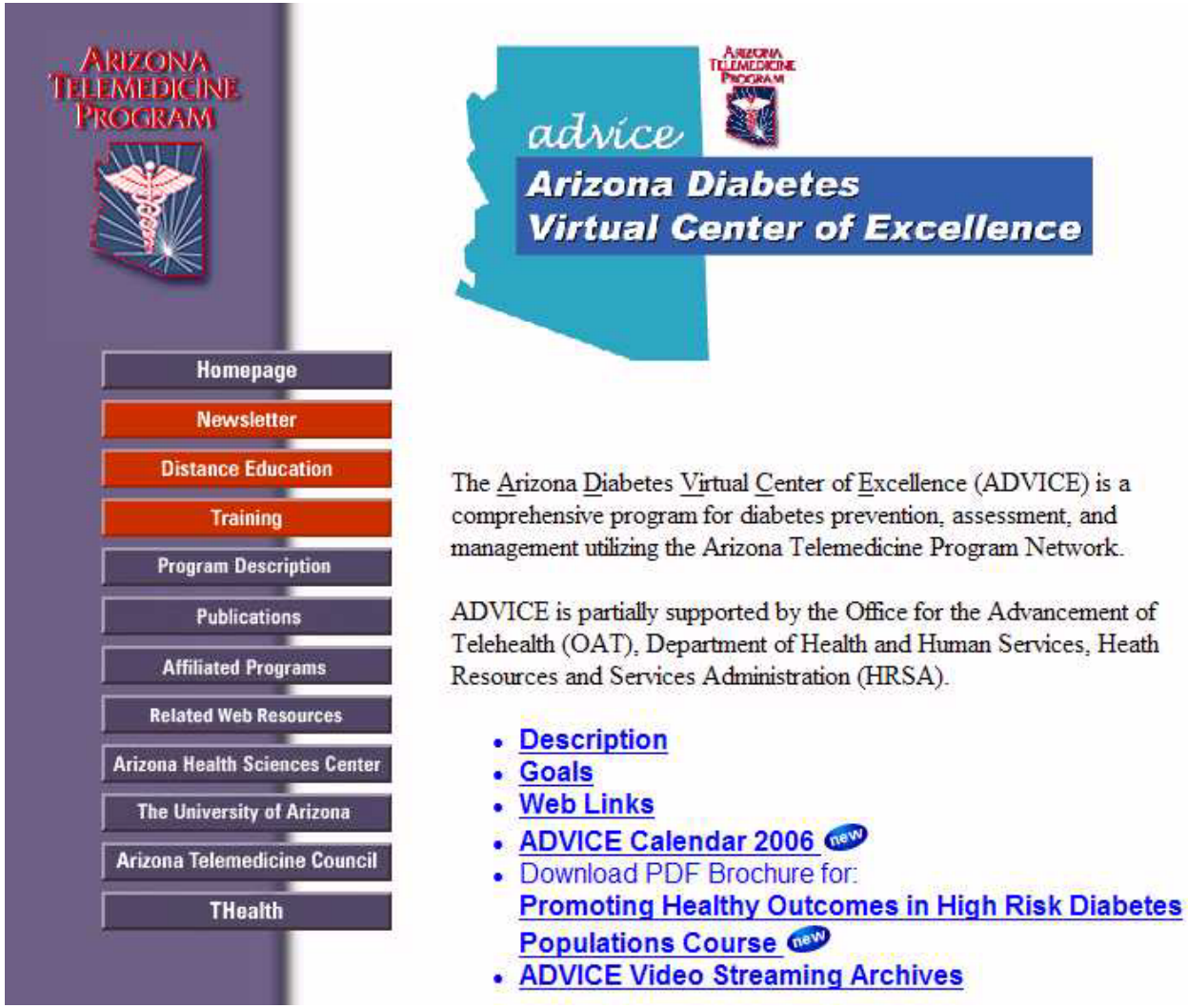

Rural Health Office – Mobile Health Unit

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Sullivan County Announces Partnership With New Mobile Health Unit

NYS Attorney General Letitia James Praises Launch of Service

Monticello, NY – NYS Attorney General Letitia James joined Sullivan County officials today to inaugurate Bridge Back to Life Center's new mobile health unit, which will be used to bring sorely needed medical and substance use services to communities across the County.

"The opening of the Bridge Back to Life Center's mobile treatment unit starts a new chapter of healing for Sullivan County," said James. "After years of devastation by the opioid crisis, we are finally holding pharmaceutical companies accountable for the destruction they caused, so far bringing up to $1.5 billion that will go directly into communities for treatment, prevention, and education services just like this one. Our work to uplift communities weighed down by this crisis is far from done, but today we begin the healing process for so many families."

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The 32-foot-long mobile health unit is privately operated but will be utilized by Sullivan County's Department of Community Services and a host of other local agencies.

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FCC Round Two Group Telehealth Grants

https://mhealthintelligence.com/news/in-new-fcc-funding-round-100-providers-get-48m-to-advance-telehealth

- Payson
- Globe
- Prescott
- Page
- Colorado City

https://www.nmtelehealth.org/

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Global Edition Telehealth

$1M grant sets up Renown Regional for hybrid telehealth and in-person care

The FCC funds greatly expanded the health system's virtual care abilities last year as COVID-19 hit – but the added bonus of a hybrid care future is a big win.

By Bill Siwicki | November 16, 2021 | 10:53 AM

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Telemedicine and Broadband

OeHI's ***Telehealth and Broadband Initiative*** develops and supports approaches that lead to increased adoption of telehealth, and reliable and affordable broadband access for health organizations and consumers. Telehealth and broadband are key priorities of the Primavera and Polis administration. Colorado has already made significant progress in providing remote access to care through telemedicine. Telehealth is an important avenue to support health care reform and is increasingly seen as an acceptable alternative to many types of in person provider visits. One of OeHI's Wildly Important Goals, or WIGs, for this year is to increase utilization of telebehavioral health in safety net providers. OeHI is also working to support expansion of telehealth policies and practices based on cost savings, economic impact, and health outcomes.

In Colorado's rural areas, only 7 in 10 people have access to broadband. OeHI's goal, in partnership with other state agencies, is to raise rural broadband availability and pave the path to achieve 100 percent access for all of Colorado. Lack of broadband inhibits the utilization of telehealth services in many parts of rural Colorado as well as the uptake of other emerging health IT capabilities. OeHI is working with the state to expand usage of telemedicine and broadband access in order to make health care across the state more affordable and accessible for all.

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