



# ARIZONA DEPARTMENT of CHILD SAFETY

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## DCS Specialist Roles:

- Explain the ETV program to the young adult.
- Assist the young adult to complete the ETV application and ensure follow through with paperwork submission.
- Remind the young adult to re-apply for ETV funds each year, as required.
- Reach out to the Statewide Education Specialist as needed, at [YouthServices@azdcs.gov](mailto:YouthServices@azdcs.gov)

## TIPS:

- It is important for young adults to remember their login information for the Foster Care to Success student portal.
- If a young adult forgets their login information, remind them to send an email to [az@statevoucher.org](mailto:az@statevoucher.org) to receive assistance with the login process.

## Young Adult Transitional Insurance

### Description of Service

Young Adult Transitional Insurance (YATI) is a healthcare plan through the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS). It provides no-cost or low-cost health coverage to young adults ages 18 to 26 who were in out-of-home care at the time of their 18th birthday. There is no income requirement for YATI and AHCCCS will determine the highest level of coverage for the young adult.

### Service Eligibility

Young adults who meet the following qualifications are eligible for YATI:

- were in Arizona's foster care system or tribal foster care on their 18th birthday;
- currently live in Arizona; and
- meet citizenship or qualified immigration requirements.

### How to Complete the YATI Application

The DCS Specialist:

- completes the YATI referral form (FAA-1097A FORFF);
- submits the form during the month of the young adult's 18th birthday to the DES Family Assistance Administration office by email: [FAAYATI@azdes.gov](mailto:FAAYATI@azdes.gov); and
- notifies the young adult, along with any support persons, that the application has been completed and submitted.

### Additional Supports

- Young adults should create an account on the Health-e-Arizona PLUS website (<https://www.healtharizonaplus.gov>) before they turn 18. While youth remain eligible until they turn 26, their coverage can be terminated if they fail to keep their account information updated and current. In addition, the electronic account will:
  - ▶ assist young adults to re-enroll in YATI if their coverage is terminated for any reason; and
  - ▶ provide notifications from AHCCCS that will require a response in order to stay enrolled.
- Keogh Health Connection is an additional resource to provide to young adults. Keogh Health Connection is a program that directs individuals to health insurance, nutrition assistance, and financial support in times of personal struggle. Keogh's extensive network of partners provides assistance to navigate complex health care systems and can direct to critical resources. For more information call Keogh Health Connection at 602-266-0397.
- Fostering Advocates Arizona provides additional information on the YATI program. A helpful brochure may be found at: *Health Insurance for Former Foster Youth* (brochure)

Note: Complete the YATI referral process for ALL young adults, including young adults who are not eligible for YATI health care coverage due to permanent residency or citizenship status. This will ensure young adults who are not YATI-eligible have access to emergency medical services (including prenatal care) under AHCCCS.