

Purchased Referred Care Services



The Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation (TCRHCC) offers many services but does not cover all medical specialties. In those cases, you may need to see non-IHS doctors, clinics, or hospitals for specialized care.

Our Purchased Referred Care (PRC) program gets a set amount of funding to help pay for certain services, like specialty care, hospital stays, or emergency treatment, when they are not available at TCRHCC or other IHS facilities.

A medical referral is a request for services—it does not guarantee payment. The PRC department reviews each referral, checks that all necessary documents are included, and decides if it meets the Indian Health Service (IHS) PRC eligibility requirements.

PRC can only pay if all five eligibility criteria are met and funds are available.



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The Five (5) Eligibility Criteria

1. Indian Descent

You must be an enrolled member of one of the Tribes served by the TCRHCC PRC Service Area. TCRHCC serves members of the Navajo, Hopi & San Juan Southern Paiute Tribes.

Tribal Census number or Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) must be on file.

2. Residency

You must reside within the TCRHCC Purchased Referred Care Services Area.

3. Alternate Resources

You must apply for and use any other alternate health care resources available to you before PRC funds can assist with the payment of any off-site health care bills. This includes Medicare, State Medicaid (AHCCCS, Utah, Colorado, New Mexico) or Private Insurance.

4. Medical Priority

You must be receiving care for a condition that meets the TCRHCC Medical Priority and Necessity guidelines. Only life-threatening and limb threatening situations are emergencies.

5. Notification

You must notify TCRHCC PRC 1-866-976-5941 before you go for non-emergency care at any non-TCRHCC/IHS doctor, hospital, or clinic. You must also notify our program within 72 hours of receiving emergency care at any non-TCRHCC/IHS facility.