While the health care industry is currently in a time of great change, AFMC's purpose remains the same:

To help health care providers deliver the **best quality** of care at the **lowest cost**

and to empower patients to take control of their own health and that of their families. It's a personal and professional commitment of each AFMC employee,

from the corporate office to the front line, and it's work done for Arkansans, by Arkansans.





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An Arkansas Company for Arkansans

AFMC is a private, nonprofit organization in the business of improving health and health care through trusted, committed private and public partnerships.

Our experienced, knowledgeable and dedicated leadership team and staff have a successful history of delivering value to our customers and partners.

With offices in Little Rock and Fort Smith, AFMC employs more than 200 Arkansans from around the state. These doctors, nurses, data analysts, communications professionals, health care provider and beneficiary relations specialists, and health information technology specialists strive every day to transform the health care landscape in Arkansas through the triple aim of controlling health care costs, improving care for individual patients, and improving population health.



Controlling Health Care Costs

Through its contracts with Arkansas Medicaid and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), AFMC provides technical assistance to providers on projects aimed to reduce waste, misuse, and overuse in the health care system in order to streamline and improve treatment and lower costs. These projects include:

- Arkansas Payment Improvement Initiative
- Medicaid Quality Improvement
- Medicaid Inpatient Quality Improvement
- Medicare Hospital Readmission Reduction

Improving Care for Individual Patients

AFMC works with agencies such as the Arkansas Office of Long Term Care to help patients receive the care they need, when they need it, through projects that improve communication among providers and help providers implement electronic health records. Some examples:

- Arkansas Innovative Performance Program for nursing homes
- Patient Centered Medical Home
- Practice Transformation
- Health information technology assistance
- Critical Access Hospital technical assistance

Improving Population Health

Chronic diseases such as diabetes and heart disease affect thousands of Arkansans, limiting their ability to work and causing strain on the state's health care system. These conditions are manageable and preventable, and AFMC, in conjunction with the Arkansas Department of Health, Arkansas Medicaid, and CMS, works to improve the state's overall health through education campaigns such as:

- National Million Hearts[™] initiative
- Adult and child immunizations
- Reducing health disparities among the state's Latino and African-American populations
- Diabetes education
- Cancer screening



