



CHART Model: Hospital Participation Checklist

March to November 2022

The Community Transformation Track of the Community Healthcare Access and Rural Transformation (CHART) Model consist of three core program elements designed to set up rural communities for success: funding to establish partnerships and technical support, operational flexibilities, and value-based payment. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)' goals for the CHART Model are to improve access to care in rural areas, improve quality of care and health outcomes for rural beneficiaries, increase adoption of alternative payment models (APMs) among rural providers, and improve rural provider financial sustainability. The CHART Model Participation Checklist is aimed at supporting you on the Roadmap to CHART Model Participation. The checklist provides a suggested estimated start date, along with an * denoting activities that may be relatively complex and require more time to complete. This checklist was revised in June 2022.

Estimated Start Date: March 2022

- At any time, notify HHSC ([HHSC CHART@hhsc.state.tx.us](mailto:HHSC_CHART@hhsc.state.tx.us)) if you have any questions or if your hospital reaches a decision NOT to participate in the CHART Model Community Transformation track.
- Visit and review HHSC's CHART Model Community Transformation Track in Texas [website](#).
- Subscribe to [HHSC's Gov Delivery](#) subscription emails about the CHART Model to ensure you are notified about updates and receive the most up-to-date information.
- Submit [Interest Form](#) to HHSC by March 28, 2022.

- Begin discussions with your hospital leadership board/team about how your hospital will comply with the CHART Model Community Transformation Track requirements. Please refer to the CHART Model PowerPoint slide deck, talking points and timeline.
- Participate in optional HHSC hosted monthly meetings with potential Participant Hospitals.
- Review the [CHART Model Payment Policies \(PDF\)](#).
- Review the [CHART Model Participation Community Track Financial Specifications PDF](#).
- Review the Eligible Hospital Services and services NOT included in the Eligible Hospital Services in the Medicare Capitated Payment Amount (CPA) calculation on pages 13 and 14 of the [CHART Model Participation Community Track Financial Specifications PDF](#).
- Review the [CMS CHART Model Sample Medicare Payment Calculation \(PDF\)](#) and complete the [CMS CHART Model Sample Medicare Payment Calculation Worksheet \(Excel\)](#). *

Estimated Start Date: April 2022

- Review and complete the [Operational Flexibilities Exercise](#) (PDF).

Estimated Start Date: May 2022 – June 2022

- Attend or view the recorded [CHART Model Discussion with Texas HHSC and CMS Webinar](#), along with the accompanying CHART Model Discussion with Texas HHSC and CMS Presentation slides (PDF).
- Review the Transformation Plan and consider any needed [Operational Flexibilities for HHSC to request on your behalf](#).
- Review your CMS-provided estimated Capitated Payment Amount (CPA) and inform HHSC of your decision to continue to participate in the CHART Model by July 1. (Hospitals will not have to sign a participation agreement with CMS until October (November 1, 2022)).
- Meet with your hospital leadership and/or board to arrive at a preliminary decision about whether to participate in the CHART Model.

Estimated Start Date: July 2022

- Notify HHSC of your leadership’s preliminary decision by July 1.
- Continue to educate and Inform Hospital Board and other key stakeholders. *

Estimated Start Date: August - September 2022

- Participate in optional HHSC hosted monthly meeting on financial readiness with potential Participant Hospitals and subject matter experts.
- Participate in optional HHSC hosted monthly meeting on Telemedicine with potential Participant Hospitals and subject matter experts.
- Review and complete the CHART Model Redesign Planning Exercise – Telemedicine Project worksheet. *
- Select the required Community Health Challenge (CHCs) that your Telemedicine Project will seek to address. Additional CHCs may be selected, if a hospital chooses to do so.

Required CHC:

1. Improved treatment and prevention of chronic conditions like diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and congestive heart failure.

Optional CHCs:

2. A lack of coordinated care.
3. Uncoordinated care transitions resulting in unplanned hospital readmissions.
4. Limited or no access to primary and specialty care.

- Select one or more Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) to address that impacts the hospital’s chosen CHC(s). There are five SDOH from which to choose. Additional information on SDOH can be found by visiting the [Healthy People 2030 website](#).

1. Healthcare
2. Economic stability

3. Education
4. Social and community life
5. Neighborhood

Review the CHART Model quality measures and discuss needed internal policies and procedures to collect and submit selected quality measures. *

Estimated Start Date: October 2022

Review your CMS-provided final Capitated Payment Amount (CPA) in October 2022.*

Review and sign Participation Agreement with CMS by November 1, 2022. *

Review and sign CHART Model award with Texas Health and Human Services Commission as provided in November 2022. *

Contact: Questions regarding CHART model can be emailed to:
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Website: <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/providers/medicaid-supplemental-payment-directed-payment-programs/rural-hospital-grant-facilitation>