



Overview of Transformation Plan

HHSC's Transformation Plan is the **rural healthcare redesign strategy** for their Community, developed in collaboration with their Advisory Council, potential Participant Hospitals, and CMS. The Transformation Plan identifies their Community's specific needs, priorities, and the relevant strategies and action steps HHSC and Participant Hospitals will implement to improve health outcomes.

The Community

The CHART Model focuses on transformation for a defined rural "Community." For Texas HHSC, the Community is **all rural counties and census tracts in Texas based on the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP) definition of rural**. HHSC aims to improve rural healthcare access, the prevention and monitoring of chronic conditions, among other issues in this Community made up of extremely rural areas where there are high proportions low-income individuals, aging/elderly individuals, and individuals with transportation obstacles. Social stigma and privacy concerns are also seen as barriers to accessing care in this Community.

Strategic Priorities

Chronic Disease Management and Prevention	Improve chronic disease management, its prevention, and certain health care services through the implementation of a locally designed telemedicine project at each Participant Hospital that fits its population's needs
Financial Sustainability	Promote adoption of Alternative Payment Models (APMs) by rural hospital providers by facilitating APM agreements between Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) and Participant Hospitals
	Support hospital financial sustainability by providing technical assistance that will result in hospitals' ability to maximize the operational flexibilities, beneficiary incentives, and cooperation agreement funding
Social Determinants of Health (SDOH)	Advance awareness of strategies to identify and address health disparities and SDOH in Medicaid managed care through collaborative learning opportunities with Participant Hospitals and Medicaid MCOs

Health Equity Strategy

Participant Hospitals will have the opportunity to collaborate with HHSC to develop and determine which health disparities and SDOHs are appropriate and relevant to their geographic area. HHSC will require all interested hospitals to submit a telemedicine project proposal that identifies:

- How cooperative agreement funding** will be used
- Social Determinants of Health** to be addressed
- Health disparities** to be addressed
- Overall vision for **how care will be transformed** in their area

Proposals must also identify how success will be measured. To assist hospitals, HHSC will provide a list of SDOH domains to support the development of the telemedicine project proposal. HHSC anticipates that this flexibility will ensure hospitals have ownership of their defined goals and measures. HHSC will also establish annual meetings between partner hospitals, Medicaid MCOs, and Community Partners to discuss SDOH strategies.

Quality Measurement Strategy

Texas HHSC and Participant Hospitals will report data to CMS on three quality domains: **Chronic Conditions, Care Coordination, and Patient Experience and Engagement**. Texas HHSC has also chosen the **Prevention Quality Domain** as their additional quality domain because its measures (listed below) align with the Texas Medicaid population, which consists largely of pregnant people, infants, children, and persons with disabilities.

Prevention Quality Domain Measures	Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention	Breast Cancer Screening	Adults' Access to Preventive & Ambulatory Health Services	Child and Adolescent Well-Care Visits
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