

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

Corrected Public Notice: Texas State Plan for Medical Assistance Amendment

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) announces its intent to submit amendments to the Texas State Plan for Medical Assistance, under Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This corrected notice updates fiscal data published in the *Texas Register* on February 18, 2022.

The purpose of the amendment is to make clarifying revisions to the inflation projection methodology for the DAHS, HCBS, Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with an Intellectual Disability (ICF/IID), NF, and PHC programs. A revision will also be made to the nursing wage inflation methodology, which will affect only the DAHS, HCBS, ICF/IID, and NF programs.

The proposed amendments are effective March 1, 2022.

Corrected: The proposed amendments are estimated to result in an annual aggregate expenditure of \$458,293 for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2022, consisting of \$292,849 in federal funds and \$165,444 in state general revenue. For FFY 2023, the estimated annual aggregate expenditure is \$1,042,713, consisting of \$624,272 in federal funds and \$418,441 in state general revenue. For FFY 2024, the estimated annual aggregate expenditure is \$1,055,644, consisting of \$632,014 in federal funds and \$423,630 in state general revenue.

Information about the proposed changes can be found in the September 17, 2021 issue of the *Texas Register* at 46 *TxReg* 6002-6006 at <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml>.

Copy of Proposed Amendment(s). Interested parties may obtain additional information or a free copy of the proposed amendments from Holly Freed, State Plan Team Lead, by mail at the Health and Human Services Commission, P.O. Box 13247, Mail Code H-600, Austin, TX 78711; by telephone at (512) 428-1932; by facsimile at (512) 730-7472; or by email at Medicaid_Chip_SPA_Inquiries@hhsc.state.tx.us. Copies of the proposed amendments will be available for review at the local county offices of HHSC, (which were formerly the local offices of the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services).

Written Comments. Written comments and/or requests to review comments may be sent by U.S. mail, overnight mail, special delivery mail, hand delivery, fax, or email:

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