

## HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

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.

The purpose of the amendment is to amend the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT), Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Centers (PPECC) transportation rate to align with the HHSC PPECC biennial fee review. The proposed amendment is effective March 1, 2022.

The proposed amendment is estimated to result in an annual aggregate expenditure of \$51,606 for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2022, consisting of \$32,976 in federal funds and \$18,630 in state general revenue. For FFY 2023, the estimated annual aggregate expenditure is \$90,489, consisting of \$54,176 in federal funds and \$36,313 in state general revenue. For FFY 2024, the estimated annual aggregate expenditure is \$94,562, consisting of \$56,614 in federal funds and \$37,948 in state general revenue.

Further detail on specific reimbursement rates and percentage changes is available on the HHSC Provider Finance website under the proposed effective date at <http://pfd.hhs.texas.gov/rate-packets>.

Rate Hearing. A rate hearing was held on November 12, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in Austin, Texas. Information about the proposed rate change and the hearing can be found in the October 29, 2021 issue of the Texas Register on page 7454 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 by Holly Freed, State Plan Team Lead, by mail at the Health and Human Services Commission, PO 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](mailto: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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