

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

Public Notice: Preadmission Screening and Resident Review Habilitative Specialized Services

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) announces its intent to submit transmittal number 21-0011 to the Texas State Plan for Medical Assistance, under Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

The purpose of this amendment is to expand the community-based provider agency options for Medicaid recipients who have been found through the Preadmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) process to need specialized add-on services. The community-based provider agency can be a local intellectual and developmental disability authority, or must be licensed or certified by HHSC to provide program services for a specified waiver program. Additional edits were made to behavioral support and day habilitation services regarding setting locations. Behavioral support provider qualifications were also updated for consistency with current Texas state law. The proposed amendment is effective September 01, 2021.

The proposed amendment is estimated to result in an annual fiscal expenditure of \$209,492 for the remainder of federal fiscal year 2021, consisting of \$2,261,622 in federal funds and an annual savings of \$2,052,130 in state general revenue. For federal fiscal year 2022, the estimated fiscal expenditure is \$418,983, consisting of \$4,186,806 in federal funds and an annual savings of \$3,767,823 in state general revenue. For federal fiscal year 2023, the estimated fiscal expenditure is \$418,983, consisting of \$4,043,717 in federal funds and an annual savings of \$3,624,734 in state general revenue.

To obtain copies of the proposed amendment, interested parties may contact Jennifer Blundell, State Plan Coordinator, by mail at the Health and Human Services Commission, PO Box 13247, Mail Code H-600, Austin, Texas 78711; by email at Medicaid_Chip_SPA_Inquiries@hhsc.state.tx.us. Copies of the proposal will also be made available for public review at the local offices of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.