

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

Public Notice – Texas State Plan 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 proposed amendments are effective June 1, 2022.

The purpose of the amendments is to update the State Plan to include Collaborative Care Model (CoCM) services, as directed by Senate Bill 672, 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021. The legislation directed HHSC to provide medical assistance reimbursement to a treating health care provider who participates in Medicaid for the provision to a child or adult medical assistance recipient of behavioral health services that are classified by a Current Procedural Terminology code as collaborative care management services.

A corresponding amendment will also update the reimbursement methodology and/or the fee schedules in the current state plan by adjusting fees, rates, or charges for these services. The public notice of intent to submit a state plan amendment for the rates and updates to the fee schedules was published in the April 29, 2022 issue of the *Texas Register* (47 TexReg 2600). The notice may be accessed at <https://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/pdf/backview/0429/0429is.pdf>.

Copy of Proposed Amendment – Interested parties may obtain additional information and/or a free copy of the proposed amendments by contacting Shae James, State Plan Coordinator, by mail at the Health and Human Services Commission, P.O. Box 13247, Mail Code H-600, Austin, TX 78711; or by email at Medicaid_ Chip_ SPA_ Inquiries@hhsc.state.tx.us. Copies of proposed amendment will be available for review at the local county offices of HHSC, (which were formerly the local offices of Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services).

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

U.S. Mail

Texas Health and Human Services Commission
Attention: Medical Benefits Office of Policy
Mail Code H-310 P.O. Box 149030
Austin, Texas 78756

Overnight Mail, special Deliver mail, or hand delivery

Texas Health and Human Services Commission
Attention: Medical Benefits Office of Policy
John H. Winters Building
Mail Code H-310
701 W. 51st St.
Austin, Texas 78751

Fax

Attention: Office of Policy at 512-730-7474

Email

MedicaidBenefitRequest@hhsc.state.tx.us

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