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## **Hurricane Harvey**

## Texas Medicaid and Louisiana Medicaid Nursing Facility Coordination Frequently Asked Questions

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1. Nursing Facilities (NF) in Louisiana (LA) have admitted Medicaid recipients with Texas (TX) Medicaid coverage. Will the NF receive payment for serving a Medicaid recipient from Texas? A: A simplified provider enrollment application has been created to allow out-of-state providers to temporarily enroll in TX Medicaid. Providers must be enrolled in TX Medicaid in order to be reimbursed for rendering services to TX Medicaid eligible clients whose permanent address is in one of the FEMA-declared disaster counties. The expedited enrollment application can be found here: http://www.tmhp.com/Pages/Topics/Hurricane Main.aspx

The simplified enrollment process will expedite TX Medicaid's provider enrollment process and allow providers to temporarily enroll in TX Medicaid. Provider enrolled through this process will be eligible for reimbursement for services rendered from August 25, 2017 through December 31, 2017. After December 31, 2017, providers enrolled under this process will be automatically dis-enrolled. Future guidance is forthcoming on claims submission and processing.

Providers who wish to continue to provide services to TX Medicaid clients may pursue traditional provider enrollment with TX Medicaid. Additional information about this process may be found on <a href="https://www.tmhp.com">www.tmhp.com</a>. Provider may also call the TX Medicaid claims administrator, Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) Contact Center for more information at 1-800-925-9126.

2. Is all nursing and long term care under Managed Long Term Services and Supports (MLTSS) in Texas?

A: Yes, with the exception of the Texas Veterans Land Board Homes and the Truman W. Smith Children's Care Center.

This document provides a listing of Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) in Texas and their associated delivery systems: <a href="https://hhs.texas.gov/sites/default/files//documents/doing-business-with-hhs/providers/resources/ltss-waivers.pdf">https://hhs.texas.gov/sites/default/files//documents/doing-business-with-hhs/providers/resources/ltss-waivers.pdf</a>.

3. May the LA nursing facilities contact the TX Medicaid member's managed care organization (MCO) to determine their out of network reimbursement rate?

A: Yes, NF may directly contact the TX Medicaid member's MCO.

## 4. How can Louisiana Department of Health staff and Louisiana providers verify the eligibility and MCO enrollment for Texas Medicaid and CHIP recipients?

- A. The Texas Health & Human Services Commission provided log on information (User ID and Password) to the TMHP Provider Portal. That access will allow Louisiana state staff and providers to verify eligibility and see the MCO in which the recipient is enrolled.
- B. After the Louisiana provider completes the simplified, expedited Texas Medicaid enrollment process, the provider will be issued personalized log on information for the TMHP Provider Portal. From that point forward, they should use their personalized log on and will have enhanced functionality.
- 5. Does TX Medicaid's NF per diem include reimbursement for NF (institutional) pharmacists?

  A: Yes, the per diem paid to the NF includes reimbursement for the institutional pharmacist in the NF.
- 6. Does TX Medicaid have a different formulary and/or prior authorizations process for NF institutional pharmacies?

A: No, the formularies and prior authorization processes are the same.