Discontinuation of Provider Enrollment for Community Based Alternatives in the New STAR+PLUS Service Areas for the March 1, 2012 Expansion

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The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is expanding the STAR+PLUS Medicaid managed care delivery system into the Lubbock, El Paso, and Hidalgo service areas. The anticipated start date is March 1, 2012. The counties affected by the change are listed in the table below. The latest start date for CBA contracts in these areas will be November 1, 2011.

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<th>Service Areas</th>
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<td>Lubbock Area</td>
<td>Crosby, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Terry, Carson, Deaf Smith, Hutchinson, Potter, Randall, Swisher</td>
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<td>El Paso Area</td>
<td>El Paso and Hudspeth</td>
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<td>Hidalgo Area</td>
<td>Cameron, Duval, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Maverick, McMullen, Starr, Webb, Willacy, Zapata</td>
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After November 1, 2011, the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) Community Services Contracts (CSC) Section will discontinue enrolling providers in the above STAR+PLUS expansion counties for the following types of contracts:

- Community Based Alternatives/Home and Community Support Services (CBA/HCSSA)
- Consumer Directed Services (CDS) for CBA
- Transition Assistance Services (TAS) for CBA
- Assisted Living/Residential Care Services for CBA
- Adult Foster Care for CBA
- Home Delivered Meals for CBA
- Emergency Response Services for CBA

All other types of programs will continue without change in the counties listed above. For example, contracts for Primary Home Care/Family Care (PHC/FC), CDS for PHC and TAS for PHC will continue to be enrolled in these counties.

For general information about the STAR+PLUS program, refer to the HHSC STAR+PLUS website at: [http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/starplus/Overview.htm](http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/starplus/Overview.htm)

Refer to the Community Services [Information Letter No. 11-119](http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/starplus/Overview.htm) for more information. (10/20/2011)