

Temporary Enrollment Moratorium for Home Health Agency and Ground Ambulance Providers Extended for 2015

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Effective July 29, 2015, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has extended the moratorium on the enrollment of new home health agency providers and new ground ambulance providers in designated counties to prevent waste, abuse, and fraud. A notice of this temporary moratorium is posted on the Federal Register website at www.federalregister.gov/articles/2015/07/28/2015-18327/medicare-medicaid-and-childrens-health-insurance-programs-announcement-of-the-extended-temporary.

Per CMS direction, and in accordance with 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 455.470(a)(2), the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has extended the temporary moratorium, effective July 29, 2015, on Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program enrollment of home health agency providers and ground ambulance providers with a base of operations in the designated Texas counties. The moratorium has been extended for an additional six months.

Home health agencies and ground ambulance providers can refer to the article titled "[Update to Moratorium Information for Home Health Agency and Ground Ambulance Providers](#)," which was published on this website on August 6, 2014. The article provided information about the counties that are affected for the home health agency and new ground ambulance providers.

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