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A.1 Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Office Addresses

Use the following address for general inquiries or for any group that is not listed in the following table:

Texas Health and Human Services Commission PO Box 13247 Austin, TX 78711-3247

Note: Remember to use the four-digit addition to the ZIP Code.

Use the following address for the HHSC Inspector General:

Texas Health and Human Services Commission Office of Inspector General PO Box 85200 Austin, TX 78708-5200

Note: Remember to use the four-digit addition to the ZIP Code.

For the following groups, use the corresponding address and include the group name on the second line of the address.

| Address | Group Name |
|---|------------|
| HHSC Medicaid CHIP-H-200 | |
| PO Box 85200 | |
| Austin, TX 78708 | |
| HHSC | |
| Quality Review/Limited Program—1323 | |
| PO Box 85200 Austin, TX 78708 | |
| | |
| HHSC Third Party Liability (TPL) | |
| PO Box 85200 | |
| Mail Code 1354 | |
| Austin, TX 78708-5200 | |
| HHSC Medical & UR Appeals | |
| Mail Code H-230 | |
| 4601 W Guadalupe ST Austin, TX 78751 | |
| HHSC | |
| Medicaid Vendor Drug H-630 | |
| PO Box 85200 | |
| Austin, TX 78708 | |
| HHSC | |
| Family Planning | |
| PO Box 149347 | |
| Mail Code 0224 Austin, TX 78714-9347 | |
| 1100min, 121/0/11-751/ | |

| Address | Group Name |
|-----------------------|--|
| DSHS PO Box 149347 | Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program (Mail Code 1938) |
| Austin, TX 78714-9347 | Genetic Services (1918) |
| | Indigent Health Care (Mail Code 2831) |
| | Texas Health Steps (THSteps) (Mail Code 1938) |
| | Case Management for Children and Pregnant Women |
| | (Mail Code 1938) |

A.2 HHSC Access and Eligibility Services (AES)

| Region | Regional Director | | | Administrative Assistant |
|------------------|--|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 01 | Beth Miller | Office: | 1-806-783-6637 | |
| Lubbock | 6302 Iola Avenue | FAX: | 1-806-783-6630 | 1-806-783-6632 |
| | Lubbock, TX 79424 | Mail Cod | le: 217-1 | |
| | Amarillo: 1-806-356-3151 | Toll Free: | : 211 1-877-541-7905 | |
| 02/09 | Sandra McKinney | Office: | 1-325-795-5526 | |
| Abilene | 4601 South First Street | FAX: | 1-325-795-5523 | 1-325-795-5522 |
| | Abilene, TX 79604 | Mail Cod | le: 001-1 | |
| | PO Box 521 Abilene, TX 79604 | Toll Free: | : 211 1-877-541-7905 | |
| 03 | Tracy Hays | Office: | 1-972-337-6171 | |
| Grand Prairie | 801 South State Hwy 161 | FAX: | 1-972-337-6298 | 1-972-337-6166 |
| rianic | Grand Prairie, TX 75051 | Mail Cod | le: 012-5 | |
| | PO Box 532089 | Toll Free: | | |
| | Grand Prairie, TX 75053-2089 | | 1-877-541-7905 | |
| 04 | Fay Booker | Office: | 1-903-509-5142 | |
| Tyler | 302 East Rieck Road | FAX: | 1-903-509-5133 | 1-903-509-5125 |
| | Tyler, TX 75703 | Mail Cod | le: 313-5 | |
| | | Toll Free: | : 211 1-877-541-7905 | |
| 05 | Stephanie Semien | Office: | 1-409-951-3425 | |
| Beaumont | 350 Pine Street, 9th Floor | FAX: | 1-409-951-3449 | 1-409-730-4027 |
| | Beaumont, TX 77701 | Mail Cod | le: 028-1 | |
| | | Toll Free: | : 211 1-877-541-7905 | |
| 06 | Gracie Perez | Office: | 1-713-767-2417 | |
| Houston | 5425 Polk Street, Suite 230 | FAX: | 1-713-767-2323 | 1-713-767-3177 |
| | Houston, TX 77023 | Mail Cod | le: 178-7 | |
| | PO Box 16017 Houston, TX 77222-6017 | Toll Free: | : 211 1-877-541-7905 | |

| Region | Regional Director | | | Administrative Assistant |
|-------------------------|---|------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 07 | Sandra Dillett | Office: | 1-512-832-7617 | |
| Austin | 4616-1 West Howard Lane, Suite 120 | FAX: | 1-512-832-7665 | 1-512-832-7692 |
| | Austin, TX 78728 | Mail Code | Mail Code: 016-1 | |
| | | Toll Free: | 211 1-877-541-7905 | |
| 08 | Teriann Lyons | Office: | 1-210-619-8226 | |
| San Antonio | 11307 Roszell | FAX: | 1-210-619-8293 | 1-210-619-8019 |
| | San Antonio, TX 78217 | Mail Code | 279-4 | |
| | PO Box 23990 San Antonio, TX 78223 | Toll Free: | 211 1-877-541-7905 | |
| 10 | Kate Hill | Office: | 1-915-834-7580 | |
| El Paso | 401 East Franklin | FAX: | 1-915-834-7582 | 1-915-834-7581 |
| | El Paso, TX 79901 | Mail Code | Mail Code: 111-1 | |
| | PO Box 981017 El Paso, TX 79998-1017 | Toll Free: | 211 1-877-541-7905 | |
| 11 | Cynthia Pena | Office: | 1-956-316-8272 | |
| Edinburg | 2520 South Veterans Road | FAX: | 1-956-316-8175 | 1-956-316-8277 |
| | Edinburg, TX 78539 | Mail Code | 2: 108-1 | |
| | PO Box 960 Edinburg, TX 78540-0960 | Toll Free: | 211 1-877-541-7905 | 1-956-316-8361 |
| ART & | Debra Gault | Office: | 1-713-696-2380 | |
| Customer Care Center | 1457 E 40th St | FAX: | 1-956-316-8175 | 1-979-282-6519 |
| | Houston, TX 77022 | Mail Code | 2: 945-1 | 1 |
| MEPD | Rachel Patton | Office: | 1-512-908-9431 | |
| | 1601 Rutherford Lane | FAX: | | 1-903-927-0280 |
| | Austin, TX 78754 | Mail Code | <u> </u> | |

For additional office information, visit the HHSC website at <u>hhs.texas.gov</u>.

Referto: Subsection A.5, "DSHS Health Service Regions Map" in this section to identify the regional boundaries.

A.2.1 Telephone Communication with HHSC and DSHS

| Contact | Telephone Number |
|--|------------------|
| Assessment Utilization Services (limited program) (Option 4) | 1-800-436-6184 |
| HHSC Hearing Services for Children (HSC) (hearing aid, evaluations) | 1-800-925-9126 |
| DSHS Emergency Medical Services Division | 1-512-834-6700 |
| DSHS ImmTrac2 Help Desk | 1-800-348-9158 |
| DSHS Immunization Branch | 1-800-252-9152 |
| Medical Transportation Program (MTP) Hotline | 1-877-633-8747 |
| THSteps/EPSDT Hotline | 1-877-847-8377 |
| Medicaid Vendor Drug Program Pharmacy Provider Resolution Helpdesk (fee-for-service) | 1-800-435-4165 |

A.3 Client Telephone Communication with HHSC

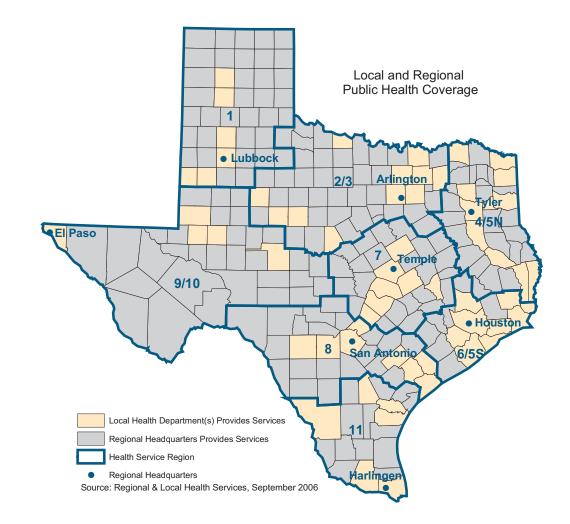
Clients can call the client toll-free number at 1-800-252-8263.

A.4 Federal and State Telephone Numbers

| Telephone Number | Department/Program |
|--|---|
| 1-800-CDC- INFO 1-800-232-4636) | AIDS Hotline (Nationwide, distributed by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC], Atlanta, Georgia) |
| 1-800-299-2437 | HIV/STD InfoLine |
| 1-800-255-1090 | Texas HIV Medication Program |
| 1-800-252-5400 | Child/Elder Abuse Intake (Department of Family and Protective Services [DFPS]) |
| 1-512-776-7420 | Vision and Hearing Screening Program (DSHS) |
| 1-512-834-6650, Ext. 2601 | Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) Certification Line |
| 1-800-458-9858 | Client Abuse Hotline for Long Term Care Services and Support— Nursing Facilities (HHSC) |
| 1-800-252-8263 | Client Inquiry Hotline (HHSC) (Medicaid questions from clients with Medicaid only) |
| 1-512-776-7745 | THSteps Program (DSHS) |
| 1-888-963-7111 ext. 7318 or 1-512-776-7318 Fax: 1-512-776-7294 | THSteps Laboratory Services (DSHS) |
| 1-888-963-7111 ext. 7661 or 1-512-776-7661 Fax: 1-512-776-7672 | Laboratory Supply Orders (DSHS) |
| 1-888-963-7111 ext. 7578 or 1-512-776-7578 | Report of Laboratory Test Results (DSHS) |
| 1-512-776-7796 | HHSC Family Planning |
| 1-800-436-6184 | Fraud or Abuse of Provider Services (HHSC Office of Inspector General) |
| 1-800-436-6184 | Fraud or Abuse/Long Term Care Services and Support—Nursing Facilities/HHSC |
| 1-800-436-6184 | Fraud or Abuse/Client/HHSC Office of the Inspector General |
| 1-800-792-1109 | Goal-Directed Therapy |
| 1-512-438-3169 or 1-800-252-8010 | Hospice Program (HHSC Policy Development division) |
| 1-800-252-9152 | Immunization Branch (DSHS) |
| 1-800-925-9126 | Medically Needy Spend Down Unit |
| 1-800-MEDICARE or 1-800-633-4227 | Medicare/Social Security Administration |
| 1-800- 925-9126 | Newborn Screening (DSHS) |
| 1-800-925-9126 | HHSC Hearing Services for Children (HSC) |
| 1-877-787-8999 | HHS Office of the Ombudsman (for information about ECI or to refer a child.) |
| 1-800-436-6184 | Recipient Utilization Control Unit (HHSC) (for limited status review and for referrals from providers for potential client overutili- zation, etc.) |
| 1-512-776-7796 | Breast and Cervical Cancer Services (DSHS) |
| 1-713-526-2559 | Snellen Letter (Tumbling E Wall Chart) |

| Telephone Number | Department/Program |
|------------------|--|
| 1-800-435-4165 | Medicaid Vendor Drug Program (HHSC) (fee-for-service) (specifically for pharmacy use) |
| 1-877-728-3927 | Medicaid Vendor Drugs Prior Authorization Center (fee-for-service) |
| 1-866-993-9972 | Healthy Texas Women (HTW) program Eligibility |
| 1-512-776-7796 | Cervical Cancer Screening |

A.5 DSHS Health Service Regions Map



A.6 DSHS Health Service Region Contacts

| Health Service Region 1 | Health Service Regions 2 & 3 |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Regional Office (Lubbock) | Regional Office (Arlington) |
| DSHS/PHR 1 | DSHS/PHR 2 & 3 |
| 6302 Iola Ave. | 1301 S. Bowen, Suite 200 |
| Lubbock, TX 79424 | Arlington, TX 76013 |
| 1-806-744-3577 | 1-817-264-4500 |
| Fax: 1-806-783-6435 | Fax: 1-817-264-4506 |

| Health Service Region 1 | Health Service Regions 2 & 3 |
|--|---|
| Regional Office (Lubbock) | Regional Office (Arlington) |
| Regional Medical Director | Regional Medical Director |
| Peter W. Pendergrass, MD, MPH | James A. Zoretic, MD |
| Deputy Regional Director | Deputy Regional Director (acting) |
| Barry Wilson | Earlene Quinn |
| Manager of Social Work Services and Case Management | Manager of Social Work Services and Case Management |
| Judy Lara, LBSW | Lindsay Matousek, LMSW, CCM |
| Communicable Disease Manager | Director of Clinic Operations |
| Vacant | Dorothy Kuhlmann, RN |
| Immunization Program Manager | Immunization Program Manager |
| Keila Johnson | Sonna Sanders |
| Tuberculosis Team Leader | Communicable Disease Program Manager |
| Melanie Lee | Gary Willett |
| THSteps Operations Lead | Tuberculosis Team Leader |
| Elizabeth Stanford | Jeff Ralston |
| 6302 Iola Ave Lubbock, TX 79424 Mail Code: 1899 1-806-783-6445 Fax: 1-806-783-6455 | Emergency Preparedness Bryan Flow, DVM |
| | THSteps Operations Lead Grady Asher 1301 S. Bowen Road #200, Mail Code 1905 Arlington, TX 76013 1-817-264-4918 Fax: 1-817-264-4910 |
| | HIV/STD Program Manager Vacant |

| Health Service Regions 4 & 5 (North) | Health Service Regions 6 & 5 (South) |
|---|---|
| Regional Office (Tyler) | Regional Office (Houston) |
| DSHS/PHR 4 & 5 North | DSHS 6 & 5 South |
| 2521 West Front Street | 5425 Polk Avenue, Suite J |
| Tyler, TX 75702 | Houston, TX 77023 |
| 1-903-595-3585 | 1-713-767-3000 |
| Fax: 1-903-593-4187 | Fax: 1-713-767-3049 |
| Regional Medical Director | Regional Medical Director (Acting) |
| Dr. Paul K. McGaha, DO, MPH | John G. Jordan, M.D., MPH |
| Deputy Regional Director | Deputy Regional Director |
| Vacant | Greta Etnyre, MS, RD |
| Manager of Social Work Services and Case Management | Manager of Social Work Services and Case Management |
| Caleb Rackley, LMSW | Vacant |
| Director of Nursing | Director of Nursing |
| Barbara Lay, RN, MSN | Melinda Denson, RN, MPH |
| Immunization Program Manager | Immunization Program Manager |
| Toni Wright | Angel H. Angco, MBA, RN |
| HIV/STD Program Manager | HIV/STD Program Manager |
| Charles O'Brien | Linda Hollins |
| Tuberculosis Program Manager | Tuberculosis Program Manager |
| Teresa Santiago, RN | Lewis Gonzalez, MD |

| Health Service Regions 4 & 5 (North) Regional Office (Tyler) | Health Service Regions 6 & 5 (South) Regional Office (Houston) | |
|---|---|--|
| THSteps Operations Lead | THSteps Operations Lead | |
| Sherrylynn Adams, LBSW | Shannon Jones | |
| 2521 W. Front, Mail Code 1358 | 5425 Polk Avenue, Suite J, Mail Code 1906 | |
| Tyler, TX 75702 | Houston, TX 77023-1497 | |
| 1-903-533-5357 | 1-713-767-3105 | |
| Fax: 1-903-595-4706 | Fax: 1-713-767-3125 | |

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| * Health Service Region 7 | Health Service Region 8 |
| Regional Office (Temple) | Regional Office (San Antonio) |
| DSHS/PHR 7 | DSHS/PHR 8 |
| 2408 S 37th Street | 7430 Louis Pasteur Drive |
| Temple, TX 76504-7168 | San Antonio, TX 78229 |
| 1-254-778-6744 | 1-210-949-2000 |
| Fax: 1-254-778-4066 | Fax: 1-210-949-2015 |
| Regional Medical Director | Regional Medical Director |
| Lisa Cornelius, MD, MPH | Sandra Guerra-Cantu, MD, MPH |
| Deputy Regional Director | Deputy Regional Director |
| Jon Huss | Gail Morrow, MPH |
| Manager of Social Work Services and Case Management | Manager of Social Work Services and Case Management |
| Leesa Ferrero, LMSW | Leticia Guerra, LBSW |
| Director of Nursing | Director of Nursing |
| Pauline Culbert, MSN, RN | Sandra Jones, MSN, CNS |
| Immunization Program Manager | Immunization Program Manager |
| Diane Romnes | Laurie Henefey |
| HIV/STD Program Manager | Communicable Disease Program Manager |
| Al Gonzales | Cherise Rohr-Allegrini, PhD |
| Tuberculosis Program Manager/Nurse Consultant | HIV/STD Program Manager |
| Dana Schoepf, RN | Joanna Nichols, MPH |
| THSteps Operations Co-Leads | THSteps Operations Lead |
| Kimberly Langley | Velma Stille |
| 1-254-760-1176 | 7430 Louis Pasteur Drive, Mail Code 5716 |
| 2408 S. 37th Street, Mail Code 1902 | San Antonio, TX 78229 |
| Temple, TX 76504 | 1-210-949-2159 |
| Fax: 1-254-778-5490 | Fax: 1-210-949-2041 |
| THSteps Operations Co-Leads Suzan Hutchison 1-254-231-9195 2408 S. 37th Street, Mail Code 1902 Temple, TX 76504 Fax: 1-254-778-5490 | |

| Health Service Regions 9 & 10 Regional Office (El Paso) | Health Service Region 11 Regional Office (Harlingen) |
|--|---|
| DSHS/PHR 9 & 10 | DSHS/PHR 11 |
| 401 E. Franklin, Suite 210 | 601 W. Sesame Drive |
| El Paso, TX 79901 | Harlingen, TX 78550 |
| 1-915-834-7682 | 1-956-423-0130 |
| Fax: 1-915-834-7808 | Fax: 1-956-444-3293 |

| Health Service Regions 9 & 10 | Health Service Region 11 |
|---|---|
| Regional Office (El Paso) | Regional Office (Harlingen) |
| Regional Medical Director James A. Zoretic, M.D., M.P.H., Interim Regional Medical Director | Regional Medical Director Brian Smith, MD, MPH |
| Deputy Regional Director | Deputy Regional Director |
| Blanca Serrano, MPH, RS | Sylvia Garces-Hobbs |
| Manager of Social Work Services and Case Management | Manager of Social Work Services and Case Management |
| Patrice Loge, LMSW | Angelica Martinez, MS, LBSW |
| Director of Nursing | Director of Nursing |
| Sharon Lindsey, RN | Darlene Farias, RN |
| Immunization Program Manager | Immunization Program Manager |
| Jose Padilla | Ivette Nunez |
| HIV/STD Program Manager | HIV/STD Program Manager |
| Oscar Hernandez | Richard Anguiano |
| Communicable Disease Manager | Tuberculosis Program Manager |
| Gale Morrow, MPH, CHES | Maria San Pedro, MSPHN, RN |
| THSteps Operations Lead | THSteps Operations Lead |
| Patrice Loge, LMSW | Ray Garza |
| 401 E. Franklin, Suite 200, Mail Code 1903 | 601 W. Sesame Drive, Mail Code 1907 |
| El Paso, TX 79901 | Harlingen, TX 78550 |
| 1-915-834-7733 | 1-956-421-5563 |
| Fax: 1-915-834-7802 | Fax: 1-956-444-3293 |

A.7 State Participating Local Health Departments and Public Health Districts

| State Participating Local Health Departments and Public Health Districts | | |
|--|--|--|
| Abilene Public Health Department Region 2/3 Larry Johnson, Administrator PO Box 6489 (79608-6489) 850 N. 6th Street Abilene, TX 79605 1-325-692-5600 Fax: 1-325-734-5370 | Hidalgo County Health Department Region 11 Eduardo Olivarez, Administrator Omar Garza, MD, Director 1304 South 25th Street Edinburg, TX 78539-7205 1-956-383-6221 Fax: 1-956-444-3298 | |
| Amarillo Bi-City-County Health District Department of Health Roger Smalligan, MD, Health Authority, Matt Richardson, Director for the City of Amarillo Department of Health 1000 Martin Road Amarillo, TX 79107 1-806-378-6300 Fax: 1-806-378-6306 | Houston Health & Human Services Department Region 6/5 S Stephen L. Williams, MD, MPH, Director 8000 North Stadium Drive Houston, TX 77054 1-713-794-9311 Fax: 1-713-798-0862 | |
| Andrews City-County Health Department Region 9/10 Robert Garcia, MD, Director 208 NW 2nd street Andrews, TX 79714 1-432-524-1434 Fax: 1-432-524-1461 | Jackson County Health Department Region 8 Bain C. Cate, MD, Director 411 North Wells, Room 206 Edna, TX 77957 1-361-782-5221 Fax: 1-361-782-7312 | |

| State Participating Local Health Departments and Pul | blic Health Districts |
|--|--|
| Angelina County & Cities Health District | Jasper-Newton County Public Health District |
| Region 4/5N | Region 4/5 N |
| Sharon Shaw, Administrator | Danny Brackin |
| John Rudis, MD, Director | 139 West Lamar Street |
| Lufkin, TX 75904 | Jasper, TX 75951 |
| 1-936-632-1139 | 1-409-384-6829 |
| Fax: 1-936-632-2640 | Fax: 1-409-384-7861 |
| Atascosa County Health Department Region 8 Gerald B. Phillips, MD, Director 1102 Campbell Avenue Jourdanton, TX 78026 1-830-769-3451 Fax: 1-210-769-2349 | Jefferson County Health Authority Cecil A. Walkes, MD 1295 Pearl Street Beaumont, TX 77701 1-409-835-8530 Fax: 1-409-839-2353 |
| Austin Department of Health & Human Services Region 7 Health District David Lurie, Director 7201 Levander Loop, Bldg. E Austin, TX 78744 1-512-927-5010 Fax: 1-512-972-5016 | Liberty County Health Authority Steven C. Ellerbe, DO 720 Travis Liberty, TX 77575 1-936-336-6439 Fax: 1-936-336-6517 |
| Beaumont City Health Department | Live Oak County Health Department |
| Region 5/6 S | Region 11 |
| Ingrid West-Holmes, Director | Alan Crouther, Director |
| PO Box 3827 | Drawer 670 (78022) |
| 950 Washington Blvd | Live Oak County Courthouse |
| Beaumont, TX 77704 | George West, TX 78022 |
| 1-409-832-4000 | 1-361-449-2733 |
| Fax: 1-409-832-4270 | Fax: 1-361-449-1013 |
| Bell County Public Health District | Lubbock City Health Department |
| Region 7 | Region 1 |
| Wayne Farrell, Director | Nancy Haney, Director |
| PO Box 3745 (76505) | PO Box 2548 (79408) |
| South 9th Street | 1902 Texas Avenue |
| Temple, TX 76501 | Lubbock, TX 79405 |
| 1-254-773-4457 | 1-806-775-2899 |
| Fax: 1-254-773-7535 | Fax: 1-806-775-3209 |
| Brazoria County Health Department | Maverick County Health Department |
| Region 6/5 S | Region 8 |
| Leo D. O'Gorman, MD, MPH, Director | Arturo Batres, MD, Director |
| 432 East Mulberry | 490 S. Bibb |
| Angleton, TX 77515 | Eagle Pass, TX 78852 |
| 1-979-864-1484 | 1-830-773-9438 |
| Fax: 1-979-756-1456 | Fax: 1-830-773-6450 |
| Brazos County Health Department | Marshall-Harrison County Health District |
| Region 7 | Region 4/5 N |
| Ken Bost, Executive Director | Robert Palmer, MD, Director |
| 201 North Texas Avenue | 805 Lindsey Drive |
| Bryan, TX 77803-5317 | Marshall, TX 75670 |
| 1-979-361-4440 | 1-903-938-8338 |
| Fax: 1-409-823-6993 | Fax: 1-903-938-8330 |

| Brownwood-Brown County Health Department | Medina County Health Department | |
|---|---|--|
| Region 2/3 | Region 8 | |
| Russ Skinner, MD, Director | John W. Meyer, MD, Director | |
| PO Box 1389 | 3103 Avenue G | |
| Brownwood, TX 76804 | Hondo, TX 78861 | |
| 1-325-646-0554 | 1-830-741-6191 | |
| Fax: 1-325-643-8157 | Fax: 1-830-426-4202 | |
| Calhoun County Health Department | Midland County Health Department | |
| Region 8 | Region 9/10 | |
| Bain C. Cate, Director | Celestino Garcia, RS, Administrator | |
| 117 West Ash Dart Lawren TX 77070 | James M. Humphreys, Jr., MD, Director | |
| Port Lavaca, TX 77979 | Mailing address: | |
| 1-361-552-9721 | PO Box 4905 | |
| Fax: 1-361-552-9722 | Midland, TX 79704 | |
| | Physical address: | |
| | 3303 West Illinois St., Space 22 Midland, TX 79703 | |
| | 1-432-681-7613 | |
| | Fax: 1-432-681-7634 | |
| Company Country Health Day anter ant | | |
| Cameron County Health Department Region 11 | Milam County Health Department Region 7 | |
| Yvette Salinas, Administrator | Patsy Gaines, Director | |
| 1390 W. Ex. 83 | PO Box 469 (76520) | |
| San Benito, Tx. 78586 | 209 South Houston Street | |
| 1-956-247-3685 | Cameron, TX 76520 | |
| Fax: 1-956-361-8280 | 1-254-697-7039 | |
| Tux. 1 950 501 0200 | Fax: 1-254-697-4809 | |
| Cass County Health Department | Montgomery County Health Department | |
| Region 4/5 N | Region 6/5 S | |
| R. Bruce LeGrow, MD, Director | Vickie Modeland, Director | |
| PO Box 310 (75563) | 701 E. Davis, Ste. A | |
| South Kaufman and Rush | Conroe, Tx. 77301 | |
| Linden, TX 75563 | 1-936-525-2800 | |
| 1-903-756-7051 | Fax: 1-936-539-4668 | |
| Fax: 1-214-796-3976 | | |
| Chambers County Health Department | Orange County Health Department | |
| Region 6/5 S | Region 6/5 | |
| William Clay Brown, Director | Howard C. Williams, MD | |
| PO Box 670 (77514) | Sheila Cole, Director | |
| 1222 Main Street | 2014 North 10th Street | |
| Anahuac, TX 77514 | Orange, TX 77630 | |
| 1-409-267-8356 | 1-409-883-6119 | |
| Fax: 1-409-267-4276 | Fax: 1-409-883-3147 | |
| landres@ih2000.net | Williams@pnx.com | |
| Cherokee County Health Department | Paris-Lamar County Health Department | |
| Region 4/5 N | Region 4/5 N | |
| Judy Beck, MD, Director | Anthony Bethel, Director | |
| 1209 N. Main Street | PO Box 938 (75460) | |
| Rusk, TX 75785 | 740 South West 6th Street | |
| 1-903-683-4688 | Paris, TX 75460 | |
| Fax: 1-903-683-4899 | 1-903-785-4561 | |
| 1 u. 1 905 005 1099 | | |

| State Participating Local Health Departments and Public | c Health Districts |
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| City of Dallas Department of Environmental & Health | Plainview-Hale County Health District |
| Services/Region 2/3 | Region 1 |
| Karen D. Rayzer, Director | John Castro, Director |
| 1500 Marilla Street, Suite 7AN | 111 East 10th |
| Dallas, TX 75201 | Plainview, TX 79072 |
| 1-214-670-5711 | 1-806-293-1359 |
| Fax: 1-214-670-3863 | Fax: 1-806-293-5741 |
| City of Laredo Health Department Region 11 Hector Gonzalez, Director PO Box 2337 (78044) 2600 Cedar Street Laredo, TX 78040 1-956-723-2051 Fax: 1-956-726-2632 | Port Arthur City Health Department Region 6/5 S Yoshi Alexander, Director 449 Austin Avenue Port Arthur, TX 77640 1-409-983-8800 Fax: 1-409-983-8870 |
| Collin County Health Care Services Region 2/3 Candy Blair, Director 825 North McDonald Street, Suite 130 McKinney, TX 75069 1-972-548-5500 Fax: 1-972-548-7221 | San Angelo-Tom Green County Health Department Region 9/10 Sandra Villarreal, Director Mailing address: PO Box 1751 (76902) Physical address: 106 S. Chadburne San Angelo, TX 76903 1-325-657-4493 Fax: 1-325-657-4553 |
| Colorado County Health Authority Raymond R. Thomas, MD 610 S. Austin Road Eagle Lake, TX 77434 1-979-234-2551 Fax: 1-979-234-5994 | San Antonio Metropolitan Health District Region 8 Fernando Guerra, MD, MPH, Director 332 West Commerce, Suite 307 San Antonio, TX 78205-2489 1-210-207-8730 Fax: 1-210-207-8999 |
| Corpus Christi-Nueces County Public Health District/ | San Patricio County Health Department |
| Region W | Region 11 |
| Annette Rodriguez, Interim Director | Josie Michael, Director |
| PO Box 9727 (78469) | James Mobley, MD, Director |
| 1702 Horne Road | 313 North Rachal |
| Corpus Christi, TX 78416 | Sinton, TX 78387 |
| 1-361-851-7200 | 1-361-364-6208 |
| Fax: 1-361-851-7295 | Fax: 1-361-364-6117 |
| Corsicana-Navarro County Public Health District | Scurry County Health Department |
| Region 2/3 | Region 2/3 |
| Kent Rogers, MD, Director | Cindy Wright, Director |
| 618 North Main | 911 26th Street |
| Corsicana, TX 75110 | Snyder, TX 79549 |
| 1-903-874-6731 | 1-325-573-3508 |
| Fax: 1-903-872-7215 | Fax: 1-325-573-0380 |
| Cuero-DeWitt County Health Department | Smith County Public Health District |
| Region 8 | Region 4/5 N |
| Bain C. Cate, MD, Director | George T. Roberts, Jr., F.A.C.H.E., Director |
| 106 North Gonzales Street | 815 North Broadway |
| Cuero, TX 77954 | Tyler, TX 75702-4507 |
| 1-361-275-3461 | 1-903-535-0036 |
| Fax: 1-361-275-5732 | Fax: 1-903-535-0052 |

| State Participating Local Health Departments and Public Health Districts | | | |
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| Dallas County Health Department Region 2/3 Zachary S.Thompson, Director 2377 Stemmons Freeway Dallas, TX 75207-2710 1-214-819-6070 Fax: 1-214-819-6022 | South Plains Public Health District Region 1 Morris S. Knox, MD, Director 919 East Main Street Brownfield, TX 79316 1-806-637-2164 Fax: 1-806-637-4295 | | |
| Del Rio-Val Verde County Health Department Manuel A. Martinez, BS, MD, Director 400 Pecan Street (3rd Floor) Del Rio, TX 78840 1-830-774-7570 Fax:1-830-774-7642 manuel_martinez@valverdecounty.org | Sweetwater-Nolan County Health Department Region 2/3 Don Ware, RS, Director PO Box 458 (79556) 301 East 12th Street Sweetwater, TX 7z9556 1-915-235-5463 Fax: 1-915-236-6856 | | |
| Denton County Health Department Region 2/3 Bing Burton, Administrator 306 N. Loop 288, Suite 183 Denton, TX 76209 1-940-349-2900 Fax: 1-940-349-2905 | Texarkana-Bowie County Family Health Center Region 4/5 N Kathy Moore, Administrator 902 West 12th Texarkana, TX 75501 1-903-798-3255 Fax: 1-903-793-2289 | | |
| Ector County Health Department Region 9/10 Gino Solla, Director Nathan Galloway, MD, Director 221 North Texas Odessa, TX 79761 1-432-498-4141 Fax: 1-432-498-4143 | Uvalde City-County Health Department Region 8 Liz Barrett, RN, Director 1021 Garnerfield Road Uvalde, TX 78801 1-830-278-1705 Fax: 1-830-278-1881 | | |
| El Paso City-County Health and Environmental District/ Region 9/10 Jorge Magaña, MD, Director 1148 Airway Blvd El Paso, TX 79925-3692 1-915-771-5701 Fax: 1-915-543-3541 | Victoria County Health Department Region 8 Bain C. Cate, MD, Director PO Box 2350 (77902) 2805 N. Navarro Victoria, Tx 77901 1-361-578-6281 Fax: 1-361-578-7046 | | |
| Fort Bend County Health Department Region 6/5 S Jean Galloway, MD, Director PO Box 668 (77471) 4520 Reading Road, Suite A Rosenberg, TX 77471 1-281-342-6414 Fax: 1-281-342-7371 | Waco-McLennan County Public Health District Region 7 Roger Barker, MBA, Director 225 West Waco Drive Waco, TX 76707 1-254-750-5450 Fax: 1-254-750-5452 | | |
| Fort Worth-Tarrant County Department of Public Health Region 2/3 Daniel B. Reimer, Director Nick Curry, MD, Director 1800 University Drive Fort Worth, TX 76107 1-817-871-7201 Fax: 1-817-871-7335 | Walker County Health Authority Region 6/5 S M. Gebre-Selassie, MD 2804 Lake Road, #4 Huntsville, TX 77340 1-936-291-9600 Fax: 1-936-291-1625 | | |

| Galveston County Health District | Wichita Falls-Wichita County Public Health District | |
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| Region 6/5 S | Region 2/3 | |
| H. Mark Guidry, MD, MPH, Director | Lou Franklin, RN, BSN, Director | |
| PO Box 939 (77568) | Tom Edmonson, Administrator | |
| 1207 Oak Street | 1700 Third Street | |
| La Marque, TX 77568 | Wichita Falls, TX 76301 | |
| 1-409-938-2401 | 1-940-761-7805 | |
| Fax: 1-409-938-2243 | Fax: 1-940-767-5242 | |
| rmorris@gchd.org | | |
| Grayson County Health Department | Williamson County and Cities Public Health District | |
| Region 2/3 | Region 7 | |
| Wayne Bell | W.S. Riggins, Jr., MD, MPH, Director | |
| 515 North Walnut | PO Box 570 (78627) | |
| Sherman, TX 75090 | 100 W. 3rd Street | |
| 1-903-893-0131 | Georgetown, TX 78626 | |
| Fax: 1-903-892-3776 | 1-512-943-3600 | |
| | Fax: 1-512-943-1499 | |
| Greenville-Hunt County Health Department | Wilson County Health Department | |
| Region 2/3 | Region 8 | |
| Mark Memahan, DO, Director | Edwin Baker, Director | |
| Henry Underwood, DO, Director | PO Box 396 (78114) | |
| 4815 King Street, Ste. B | Wilson County Courthouse | |
| Greenville, TX 75401 | Floresville, TX 78114 | |
| 1-903-455-4433 | 1-830-393-8503 | |
| Fax: 1-903-455-4956 | Fax: 1-830-393-6031 | |
| Hardin County Health Department | Wood County Health Department | |
| Region 6/5 S | Region 4/5 N | |
| Mary Pastor, Director | David C. Murley, MD, Director | |
| PO Box 820 (77625) | Wood County Courthouse | |
| 440 W. Monroe | PO Box 596 (75783) | |
| Kountze, TX 77625 | Quitman, TX 75783 | |
| 1-409-246-5188 | 1-903-763-5406 | |
| Fax: 1-409-246-4373 | Fax: 1-903-763-2902 | |
| Harris County Health Department | Zavala County Health Department | |
| Region 6/5 S | Region 8 | |
| 2223 W. Loop South | Antonio Rivera, MD, Director | |
| Houston, TX 77027 | 600 North John F. Kennedy Drive | |
| 1-713-439-6016 Fax: 1-713-439-6080 | Crystal City, TX 78839 1-210-374-3010 | |
| | Fax: 1-210-374-3007 | |
| thyslop@hc.co.harris.tx.us | 1°4X; 1-210-3/4-300/ | |
| Hays County Health Department | | |
| Region N | | |
| Larry Birdwell, DO, Director | | |
| 401-A Broadway Drive | | |
| San Marcos, TX 78666 | | |
| 1-512-353-4353 | | |
| Fax: 1-512-396-4656 | | |

A.8 Texas Health and Human Services Commission Blind Children's Vocational Discovery and Development Program (BCVDDP)

| HHSC, BCVDDP | |
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| Abilene 4601 S. 1st Street, Suite M Abilene, TX 79605-1463 PO BOX 521 MC: 6846 Abilene, TX 79604-0521 1-325-795-5845 | Irving 440 S. Nursery Rd. MC: 1469 Irving, TX 75060 1-972-721-6580 |
| Amarillo | Laredo |
| 28 Western Plaza Dr. | 1500 N. Arkansas |
| MC: 0052 | MC: 2031 |
| Amarillo, TX 79109 | Laredo, TX 78043 |
| 1-806-351-3881 | 1-956-764-6284 |
| Austin | Lubbock |
| 7701 Metropolis Dr., BLDG 12, Ste. 100 | 6302 Iola St. |
| MC: 0172 | MC: 2171 |
| Austin, TX 78744 | Lubbock, TX 79424 |
| 1-512-416-5263 | 1-806-783-6630 |
| Beaumont | McAllen |
| 3105 Executive Blvd. | 4501 West Business 83 |
| MC: 0291 | MC: 2222 |
| Beaumont, TX 77708 | McAllen, TX 78501 |
| 1-409-730-1098 | 1-956-971-1281 |
| Bryan College Station | Odessa |
| 3000 East Villa Maria Rd | 3016 Kermit Hwy. |
| MC: 7331 | MC: 2503 |
| Bryan, TX 77803 | Odessa, TX 79764 |
| 1-979-776-7492 | 1-432-334-5624 |
| Corpus Christi | San Angelo |
| 4410 Dillon Ln. | 622 South Oakes, Suite D |
| MC: 0734 | MC: 6979 |
| Corpus Christi, TX 78415 | San Angelo, TX 76903 |
| 1-361-878-7707 | 1-325-659-7653 |
| Dallas | San Antonio |
| 1545 W. Mockingbird Ln. | 11307 Roszell |
| MC: 0889 | MC: 2794 |
| Dallas, TX 75235 | San Antonio, TX 78217 |
| 1-214-638-7575 | 1-210-619-8147 |
| El Paso | Tyler |
| 401 E. Franklin, Suite #240 | 3303 Mineola Highway |
| MC: 6900 | MC: 3137 |
| El Paso, TX 79901 | Tyler, TX 75702 |
| 1-915-834-7072 | 1-903-595-4841 |
| Fort Worth | Victoria |
| 4733 E. Lancaster Ave. | 2306 Leary Ln. |
| MC: 1469 | MC: 3192 |
| Fort Worth, TX 76103 | Victoria, TX 77901 |
| 1-817-535-3893 | 1-361-574-7342 |

| HHSC, BCVDDP Harlingen 3625 W. Business 83 MC: 1606 | Waco 801 Austin Street, Suite 710 MC: 6820 |
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| Harlingen, TX 78552 | Waco, TX 76701 |
| 1-956-365-0129 | 1-254-750-9623 |
| Houston | Wichita Falls |
| 1459 E. 45th St. | 1328 Oakhurst Dr. |
| MC: 1737 | MC: 3323 |
| Houston, TX 77022 | Wichita Falls, TX 76302 |
| 1-713-696-3669 | 1-940-720-8446 |
| Houston-Southeast 10060 Fuqua MC: 6949 Houston, TX 77089 1-713-948-7957 | |

A.9 HHSC Open Records Requests

Providers who would like to make open records requests should visit the <u>Open Records</u> page of the HHSC website. For general inquiries, such as claim status inquiries, eligibility verification, and prior authorization requests, refer to subsection A.10, "TMHP Telephone and Fax Communication" in this section for contact information.

A.10 TMHP Telephone and Fax Communication

| Contact | PA Request Telephone Number | General Inquiry Telephone Number | Fax Number |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| General Information | | | |
| TMHP Contact Center | N/A | 1-800-925-9126 or 1-512- 335-5986 | |
| Automated Inquiry System (AIS) | N/A | 1-800-925-9126 or 1-512- 335-5986 | |
| Provider Enrollment | N/A | TMHP Contact Center | 1-512-514-4214 |
| Telephone appeals | N/A | 1-800-745-4452 | |
| | N/A | 1-888-863-3638 | 1-512-514-4228 |
| change (EDI) Help Desk | | | 1-512-514-4230 |
| Program and Prior Authoriz | ation Information | | |
| Ambulance (Medicaid and | 1-800-540-0694 | TMHP Contact Center | 1-512-514-4205 |
| CSHCN Services Program) | | | Prior Authorization Only |
| Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program | N/A | 1-800-568-2413 | 1-512-514-4222 Prior Autho- rization Only |
| Comprehensive Care Program (CCP) (for CCP prior authorization status and general CCP and Home Health Services information) | N/A | 1-800-846-7470 | 1-512-514-4212 Prior Autho- rization Only |
| CCP personal care services (PCS) | N/A | 1-888-648-1517 | N/A |

| Contact | PA Request Telephone Number | General Inquiry Telephone Number | Fax Number |
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| Inpatient Psychiatric Services Option 1 – CCP Option 2 – Substance use | N/A | 1-800-213-8877 | 1-512-514-4211 Prior Autho- rization Only |
| Home Health Services | Requests for new prior autho- rization or extensions cannot be made over the telephone. | TMHP Contact Center | 1-512-514-4209 Prior Autho- rization Only |
| Obstetric ultrasound | 1-800-302-6167 | TMHP Contact Center | 1-512-302-5039 Prior Autho- rization Only |
| Special Medical Prior Autho- | N/A | TMHP Contact Center | 1-512-514-4213) |
| rization (SMPA) | | | Prior Authorization Only |
| Texas Health Steps (THSteps) dental inquiries | N/A | 1-800-568-2460 | N/A |
| THSteps medical inquiries | N/A | 1-800-757-5691 | N/A |
| Family Planning (tubal ligation and vasectomy consent forms) | N/A | TMHP Contact Center | 1-512-514-4229 |
| Hysterectomy acknowl- edgment statements | N/A | TMHP Contact Center | 1-512-514-4218 |
| Other Program and Reimbur | sement Information | | |
| Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) | N/A | 1-800-440-0493 | |
| Long Term Care (LTC) operations | N/A | 1-800-626-4117 | |
| LTC—Nursing Facilities | N/A | 1-800-727-5436 | |
| Medicaid Audit/Cost Reports | N/A | 1-512-506-6117 | 1-512-506-7811 |
| Third Party Liability (TPL) (Option 2) | N/A | 1-800-846-7307 | 1-512-514-4225 |
| Tort (Option 3) | N/A | 1-800-846-7307 | 1-512-514-4225 |

A.11 Written Communication With TMHP

All CMS-1500 forms (excluding ambulance, radiology/laboratory, immunization services, rural health, and mental health rehabilitation) sent to TMHP for the first time, as well as claims being resubmitted because they were initially denied as incomplete claims, must be sent to the following address:

Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Claims PO Box 200555 Austin, TX 78720-0555

The post office box addresses must be used for the specific items listed in the following table:

| Correspondence | Address |
|---|--|
| Appeals/adjustments of claims (except zero paid/ zero allowed on Remittance & Status [R&S] Reports) | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Appeals/Adjustments PO Box 200645 Austin, TX 78720-0645 |
| Electronically rejected claims past the 95-day filing deadline and within 120 days of electronic rejection report | |

| Correspondence | Address | |
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| All first-time claims | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Claims PO Box 200555 Austin, TX 78720-0555 | |
| Ambulance Authorization (includes out-of-state transfers) | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Ambulance Prior Authorizations P O Box 200735 Austin, TX 78720-0735 | |
| CCP requests (prior authorization and appeals) | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Comprehensive Care Program (CCP) PO Box 200735 Austin, TX 78720-0735 | |
| CSHCN Services Program claims | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership CSHCN Services Program Claims PO Box 200855 Austin, TX 78720-0855 | |
| Home Health Services prior authorizations | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Home Health Services PO Box 202977 Austin, TX 78720-2977 | |
| Medicaid audit correspondence | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Medicaid Audit PO Box 200345 Austin, TX 78720-0345 | |
| Medically Needy Clearinghouse (MNC) or Spend Down Unit correspondence | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Medically Needy Clearinghouse PO Box 202947 Austin, TX 78720-2947 | |
| Provider Enrollment correspondence | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Provider Enrollment PO Box 200795 Austin, TX 78720-0795 | |
| Other provider correspondence | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Provider Relations PO Box 202978 Austin, TX 78720-0978 | |
| Send all other written communication to TMHP | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (Department) 12365-A Riata Trace Parkway, Suite 100 Austin, TX 78727 | |
| TMHP Fee-for-Service and ICF-IID Dental prior authorization requests | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Fee-for-Service and ICF-IID Dental PO Box 204206 Austin, TX 78720-4206 | |
| TPL/Tort correspondence | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership Third Party Liability/Tort PO Box 202948 Austin, TX 78720-2948 | |

A.12 Other TMHP Information

A.12.1 * TMHP Website

The TMHP website at <u>www.tmhp.com</u> is a valuable resource that provides:

- Provider education information and training.
- Publications, such as bulletins, banner messages, and provider manuals.
- A TMHP News section with announcements of program changes and other important information.
- Real-time and static fee schedules.
- Online provider enrollment.
- Complete instructions for setting up a Provider Administrator account and the use of online claims status inquiries (CSI), eligibility verification, and Electronic Remittance and Status (ER&S) Reports.
- [Revised] A chatbot for frequently asked questions and a live chat to speak with an agent.

Additional advanced features are available for those providers who create an account. All enrolled providers are eligible for this free account. Once an account is activated, providers will have access to:

- Texas Medicaid enrollment information.
- CSIs.
- Eligibility verification.
- ER&S Report download option.
- Claims submission.
- Claims appeals.
- Online provider lookup.
- Online fee lookup (OFL) to obtain real-time fee information for an individual or a range of procedure codes. Benefits and limitations for certain services and history up to 2-years is also available.
- Payment amounts search, view, and print capabilities.
- Notification of an invalid address on file for a provider's National Provider Identifier (NPI).
- Notification of pending payments because of inaccurate or incomplete provider information.
- Manage hospital admission and discharge information on clients residing in an institution for mental diseases (IMD)

Important: Natural disasters, such as floods or hurricanes, can impact the delivery of health care to Texas Medicaid clients. When disaster strikes, providers should monitor the TMHP website for special instructions.

New services are always being added to the website. Please visit <u>www.tmhp.com</u> for the latest information on TMHP online services.

A.12.2 TMHP Contact Center

The TMHP Contact Center is available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Central Time, Monday through Friday.

The TMHP Contact Center assists with questions such as:

- Provider enrollment procedures
- Claims filing procedures

• Policy information

The TMHP Contact Center is available to assist providers and clients. Please review the telephone and fax communication guides in this section for a list of contact telephone and fax numbers.

Provider calls, including those that were previously made to the Provider Relations territory representatives, are now handled first by the Contact Center. The Contact Center is well equipped to handle most inquiries about benefits and claims.

If the Contact Center representative determines that an inquiry can best be handled by the TMHP Provider Relations department, the inquiry will be forwarded to Provider Relations. For example, providers who want to talk to their Provider Relations representative about a visit, in-service, or training, can call the Contact Center, and the Contact Center will forward the request to Provider Relations.

Resolution of more complex issues that are referred to Provider Relations for further analysis can take up to 30 days from the date of the referral. For these issues, Provider Relations will contact the provider by telephone or e-mail when the issue has been resolved.

For questions or information about Medicaid eligibility, clients are referred to their caseworker or the local HHSC office.

A.12.3 * Automated Inquiry System (AIS)

AIS provides the following information and services through the use of a touch-tone telephone:

- Claim status
- Patient eligibility
- Benefit limitations

Eligibility and claim status information is available on AIS 23 hours a day, 7 days a week, with scheduled down time between 3 a.m. and 4 a.m., Central Time. All other AIS information is available from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m., Central Time, Monday through Friday. AIS offers 15 transactions per call.

A.12.4 TMHP Provider Relations

The TMHP Provider Relations Department comprises a staff of Austin- and field-based provider relations representatives whose goal is to serve the health-care community by furnishing a variety of services and activities designed to inform and educate health-care providers about Texas Medicaid activities and claim submission procedures.

Provider Relations activities include the following:

- *Provider education through planned events.* Provider Relations representatives conduct a planned program of educational workshops, in-services, webinars, computer-based training (CBT), and other training sessions designed to keep all actively-enrolled providers informed of the latest policies, claim processing procedures, and federal and state regulations affecting Texas Medicaid. Details of all available provider training can be found in the <u>Provider Education section</u> of the TMHP website at <u>www.tmhp.com</u>.
- *Problem identification and resolution.* A staff of research coordinators is available to assist providers with clarification of Medicaid policies and assist with in-depth problem claim submission issues after initial inquiries are made with the TMHP Contact Center. Coordinators work closely with field-based regional representatives to coordinate the educational needs of the community.
- *Relationship with professional health-care organizations.* To ensure that Texas associations that represent health-care professions have up-to-date information about the requirements for participation in Texas Medicaid, the Provider Relations Department maintains a work relationship with these organizations. Also, the Provider Relations Department participates in several events sponsored by Texas health-care associations, such as conventions and conferences.

Call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 for assistance.

A.12.5 Reporting a Complaint to TMHP

Providers can report complaints by calling the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 or by submitting a written complaint to:

TMHP Complaints Resolution Department PO Box 2014270 Austin, TX 778720-4270

A complaint is defined as any dissatisfaction concerning any aspect of Texas Medicaid. The term "complaint" does not include a misunderstanding or a problem with misinformation that is resolved promptly by clearing up the misunderstanding or supplying the appropriate information to the provider's satisfaction.

Providers should submit the following information when reporting the complaint:

- Point of contact name and phone number or email address
- Provider name
- Provider NPI, if available
- Description of the complaint situation
- Client name
- Client PCN
- Date of service

A.12.6 TMHP Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Help Desk

The TMHP EDI Help Desk assists Medicaid providers with EDI transactions. The TMHP EDI Help Desk is available at 1-888-863-3638 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Central Time, Monday through Friday.

TMHP EDI Help Desk activities and responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Enrolling providers for electronic billing
- Qualifying vendors for TMHP EDI production through testing
- Diagnosing claim transmission problems through research
- Consulting with provider billing personnel, billing services, and software vendors regarding TMHP EDI

TMHP EDI Help Desk staff assists with questions about TMHP EDI, TexMedConnect, and electronic transmissions at 1-888-863-3638.

Providers who employ hardware or software vendors should contact those vendors for the resolution of technical problems.