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Dan Tsai
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Dear Mr. Tsai:

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) received your letter dated November 15, 2021. Your letter requests HHSC provide, within 14 calendar days, five pieces of information related to Local Provider Participation Funds in Texas.

The information requested in your letter has, as you note, been requested previously by CMS.¹ HHSC has provided information to CMS that responds to each piece of this most recent request, and those responses have not changed. If you believe there is some aspect of your request that HHSC has not addressed, please rephrase your request or explain in detail what you believe to be missing.

Finally, while HHSC disagrees with or has a different understanding of the facts and events described in your letter, HHSC appreciates CMS' response to our letter dated September 7, 2021.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Stephens
Texas State Medicaid Director

¹ This request is substantially similar to CMS' Round 5 question set dated November 10, 2021, related to the proposed state directed payment programs. HHSC provided responses on November 15, 2021. <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/medicaid-supplemental-payment-directed-payment-programs/directed-payment-programs>