



July 5, 2021

Ms. Diona Kristian
Project Officer
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services
Mail Stop: S2-25-26
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Re: 11-W002786 Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program

Dear Ms. Kristian:

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission acknowledges receipt of your approval letter dated June 8, 2021, approving the demonstration amendment conforming the delivery system for non-emergency medical transportation with Texas State Plan Amendment (SPA) # TX 21-0003, the managed care contract revision, and the 1915(b)(4) waiver, effective June 1, 2021. The amendment supports Texas in providing non-emergency medical transportation as a managed care service to STAR, STAR+PLUS, and STAR Kids members through managed care organizations (MCOs), changing the delivery system of the benefit from managed transportation organizations to MCOs. The State also acknowledges receipt of the attached waiver and expenditure authorities as well as the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) and any supplemental attachments that define the nature, character and extent of federal involvement in this project. The State accepts the STCs and understands that the non-emergency medical transportation amendment applies to Medicaid enrollees receiving services through managed care.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information. Kathi Montalbano, Manager, Policy Development Support may be reached at 512-730-7409 or by e-mail at kathi.montalbano@hhsc.state.tx.us.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Stephens
State Medicaid Director