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To: Local Mental Health Authorities  
Local Behavioral Health Authorities

Subject: Broadcast Message No. 19.037 CORRECTION  
All Texas Access Webinar

All Texas Access is the project implementation of Senate Bill 633, 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019. This legislation directs the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to:

- Identify each LMHA/LBHA located in a county with a population of 250,000 or less or that the HHSC determines provides services predominantly in a county with a population of 250,000 or less;
- Assign those LMHA/LBHAs to regional groups of at least two authorities; and
- Develop a mental health services development plan for each regional group that will increase the capacity of each group’s member LMHA/LBHAs to provide access to mental health services.

Each regional mental health services development plan will focus on reducing:

1. The cost to local governments of providing services to persons experiencing a mental health crisis;
2. The transportation of persons served by an authority in the local mental health group to mental health facilities;
3. The incarceration of persons with mental illness in county jails that are located in an area served by an authority in the local mental health authority group; and
4. The number of hospital emergency room visits by persons with mental illness at hospitals located in an area served by an authority in the local mental health group.

HHSC will host a webinar to help LMHA/LBHA leadership learn more about All Texas Access. The webinar will:

- Detail how the legislation will be implemented;
- Explain the expectations for HHSC, LMHAS/LBHAs, and community partners;
- Provide an anticipated timeline for implementation;
- Provide an opportunity for LMHA/LBHA leadership to ask questions; and
- Introduce the team implementing All Texas Access.
The webinar will be held **Thursday, August 15, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.** and will be accessible through the following link: 
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4930455730624304643

Providers can view this broadcast at https://hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/behavioral-health-services-providers/local-mental-health-authorities under “IDD-BH Broadcast Messages.”

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Sincerely,

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