



# **Stakeholder Update: COVID 19**

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**Medicaid and CHIP Services  
October 22, 2020**



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# Medicaid Updates

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## Flexibilities Extended

- Several Medicaid and CHIP COVID-19 flexibilities are extended through November 30, 2020. TMHP notices were updated on October 21, with additional updates posting today to the HHS Medicaid and CHIP COVID-19 webpage.
- Some Medicaid and CHIP flexibilities for Texas Health Steps will end October 31, 2020. These include:
  - Waiver of timeliness requirements for medical and dental Texas Health Steps visits that were due between March and October 2020.
  - Waiver of MCO contract requirement to provide outreach and education in coordination with existing community, school-based and health education programs.





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## *Communication Channels*

- Clients**
- [COVID section on HHS site](#)
  - Health plan channels and providers

- Providers**
- [COVID section on HHS site](#)
  - [COVID section on TMHP site](#)
  - Health plan channels

+ Update calls



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# Thank You!

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**Next update:  
October 29, 2020**