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To the addressee or guardian of:

[DRS] <hohName>

[VER] <addressLine2>

[LTR] <addressLine1>

<city>, <state> <zipCode>-<zipCodeExt>

[IMB Postal Barcode]

Dear <hohName> or guardian:

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[You or your child can join the Texas Medicaid STAR Kids program.]

You or your child can get Medicaid services through the STAR Kids program starting November 1, 2016. This option is for children and adults 20 and younger with disabilities who are members of a federally-recognized tribe.

If you join, you will need to pick a health plan [Print this section if Medicaid Only][and a primary care provider or clinic. This is a doctor, nurse or clinic who provides basic medical services, like checkups, and can refer you to a specialist when needed.] This letter tells you what steps to take to get started.

What you can get with STAR Kids:

You will get health services you get now like therapies, help with daily tasks and nursing services. You will get these services through the STAR Kids health plan you pick. You also get "value-added services", or extra services, not covered by Medicaid. These extra services are listed on the blue chart sent with this letter.

This won't change how you or your child gets dental services.]

[Print this section if non-Waiver]

[If you or your child lives in a community-based intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability or related condition (ICF/IID) or nursing facility, your long-term services will be provided the same way they are now.]

[Print this section if Other Waiver]

[If you or your child receives services from any of the following programs, they will be provided the same way they are now:

- Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS)
- Deaf Blind with Multiple Disabilities (DBMD)
- Home and Community-based Services (HCS)

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- Texas Home Living (TxHmL)
- Youth Empowerment Services (YES)]

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[As of January 1, 2017, behavioral health services will no longer be available through the NorthSTAR program. If you choose a STAR Kids health plan, your health plan will provide your behavioral health services starting November 1, 2016. If you do not choose a STAR Kids health plan, you will have to get your behavioral health services through traditional fee-for-service Medicaid starting January 1, 2017.]

[Print this section if Dual Eligible]

[Your Medicare benefits won't change. You will keep using Medicare for basic health services and medicine ordered by your doctor.]

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[If you want to join STAR Kids, follow the next steps:

Step 1 – Pick a health plan

You can pick one of these plans:

[Print plan names for all the plans for that custSrvcAreaCode.]

- [*planName*]
- [*planName*]

For information to help you pick a health plan, please visit:

www.hhsc.state.tx.us/starkids. You can also call 1-877-782-6440 (toll-free) 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Central Time, Monday to Friday.

Step 2 – Let us know which health plan you picked

You can let us know one of these ways:

- **Phone** – Call 1-877-782-6440 (toll-free) 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Central Time, Monday to Friday.

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[Once you tell us the health plan you picked, we can help you pick a primary care provider or clinic.]

- **In person** – You can learn more about STAR Kids and get help enrolling. To find out when and where you can get help in your area, go to www.txmedicaidevents.com.

- **Home Visit** – If you'd like someone from STAR Kids to come to your home to help you enroll, call 1-877-782-6440 (toll-free) to make this request.

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If you change your mind and want a different health plan, call 1-877-782-6440 (toll-free).
[Print section if Medicaid Only][If you want to change your primary care provider or clinic, call your health plan after November 1, 2016.]

Want to learn more?

More information about STAR Kids, including upcoming information sessions, can be found on the Texas Health and Human Services Commission STAR Kids webpage at:
www.hhsc.state.tx.us/starkids.

If you don't want to join STAR Kids, you don't have to do anything.

Have questions? We're here to help. Call us toll-free.

Call **1-877-782-6440** 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Central Time, Monday to Friday. If you have a speech or hearing disability, call **7-1-1** or **1-800-735-2989**.]

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