

Members with Special Health Care Needs Data Request Due April 3, 2015

HHSC must submit data on enrollment into managed care for people with special health care needs (SHCN) in the biannual report to CMS.^[1] Members with special health care needs (MSHCN) are members who: (1) have a serious ongoing illness, a chronic or complex condition, or a disability that lasted or is anticipated to last for a significant period of time, and (2) require regular, ongoing therapeutic intervention and evaluation by appropriately trained health care personnel.

STAR and STAR+PLUS MCOs are required to identify MSHCN. All STAR+PLUS and former foster care child (FFCC) members are considered MSHCN. MCOs may identify other members as MSHCN based on their own criteria. MCOs are also required to provide service plans and service management to these members.

Request

HHSC requests that STAR and STAR+PLUS MCOs provide data on the number of members with special health care needs for each month in the first half of state fiscal year 2015 (September 2014 - February 2015) for each plan code. The data should include the number of new members (new to the plan) as well as the total number of MSHCN as shown in the table below. In addition, HHSC requests that MCOs submit the total number of members for each month that have a service plan.

Plan Code	Number of new members identified as MSHCN					
	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15

Plan Code	Total number of members identified as MSHCN					
	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15

Plan Code	Total number of members identified as MSHCN with Service Plans					
	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15

Please submit your data and description by April 3, 2015, via email to Daniela De Luna, STAR and CHIP Program Specialist, at daniela.deluna@hhsc.state.tx.us, with a copy to your health plan management team.

^[1] CMS Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) for the Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program. Demonstration period December 12, 2011 through September 30, 2016. Page 39.