

**TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION  
RATE ANALYSIS DEPARTMENT**

**Notice of Proposed Adjustments to Fees, Rates or Charges  
for the Medical Policy Review of Human Donor Milk**

**Adjustments are proposed to be effective  
March 1, 2017**

## **SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS**

**To Be Effective March 1, 2017**

Included in this document is information relating to the proposed adjustments to Medicaid payment rates for the Medical Policy Review of Human Donor Milk. The rates are proposed to be effective March 1, 2017.

### **Hearing**

The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will conduct a public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed adjustments to Medicaid rates detailed in this document on November 16, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. in the Public Hearing Room in the Brown-Heatly Building at 4900 North Lamar Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78751, with entrance through Security at the front of the building facing Lamar Boulevard. HHSC will consider all concerns expressed at the hearing prior to final rate approval. This public hearing will be held in compliance with the provisions of Human Resources Code §32.0282 which requires a public hearing on proposed payment rate adjustments. Should you have any questions regarding the information in this document, please contact:

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The hearing will be recorded and available to the public for purchase.

### **Background**

HHSC is responsible for the reimbursement determination functions for the Texas Medicaid Program. Proposed rates are calculated utilizing established methodologies that conform to the Social Security Act and related federal regulations, the federally approved Texas Medicaid State Plan, all applicable state statutes and rules, and other requirements. HHSC reviews the Medicaid reimbursement rates for all acute care services every two years. These biennial reviews result in rates that are increased, decreased, or remain the same. The reviews are conducted to ensure that rates continue to be based on established rate methodologies.

### **Methodology**

The specific administrative rules that govern the establishment of the fees in this proposal include these rules in 1 TAC §355.8052, which addresses the reimbursement methodology for inpatient hospital.

## **Proposed Rate Adjustments**

The methodologies used to determine the proposed fee-for-service Medicaid rates are summarized below:

- Procedure codes and descriptions used in the Texas Medicaid Program are national standard code sets as required by federal laws; Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) and Current Procedural Terminology (CPT).
- Rate determination methodologies related to Inpatient Hospital addressed in §355.8052.

Specific proposed payment rate adjustments are listed in the attachments outlined below:

Att 1 – Human Donor Milk

## **Written Comments**

Written comments regarding the proposed payment rate adjustments will be accepted in lieu of, or in addition to, oral testimony until 5 p.m. the day of the hearing. Written comments may be sent by U.S. mail to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Attention: Rate Analysis, Mail Code H-400, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030; by fax to Rate Analysis at (512) 730-7475; or by e-mail to [RADAcuteCare@hsc.state.tx.us](mailto:RADAcuteCare@hsc.state.tx.us). In addition, written comments will be accepted by overnight mail or hand delivery to Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Attention: Rate Analysis, Mail Code H-400, Brown-Heatly Building, 4900 North Lamar, Austin, Texas 78751

Persons with disabilities who wished to attend the hearing and required auxiliary aids or services were advised to contact Rate Analysis at (512) 730-7401 at least 72 hours in advance, so appropriate arrangements could be made.

**MEDICAL POLICY ATTACHMENT - HUMAN DONOR MILK (proposed to be effective March 1, 2017)**

<b>TOS*</b>	<b>Procedure Code</b>	<b>Long Description</b>	<b>Current Medicaid Fee</b>	<b>Proposed Medicaid Fee</b>	<b>Percent Change from Current Medicaid Fee</b>
1	T2101	Human breast milk processing, storage and distribution only	Not a Benefit	\$2.00	100.00%

<b>*Type of Service (TOS)</b>	
1	Medical Services