

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

**Proposed Medicaid Payment Rates for Ambulance
Services**

**Payment rates are proposed to be effective
September 1, 2013.**

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED MEDICAID PAYMENT RATES

Effective September 1, 2013

Included in this document is information relating to the proposed Medicaid payment rates for ambulance services. The rates are proposed to be effective September 1, 2013.

Hearing

HHSC will conduct a public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed Medicaid rates detailed in this document on July 17, 2013, at 8:30 a.m. in the Public Hearing Room on the first floor, east tower, in the Winters Building at 701 West 51st Street, Austin, Texas 78751. Entrance to the building is through Security at the center front of the building facing 51st Street. HHSC will consider concerns expressed at the hearing prior to final rate approval. This public hearing is held in compliance with the provisions of Human Resources Code §32.0282 and 1 TAC §355.105(g), which require a public hearing on proposed payment rates. Should you have any questions regarding the information in this document, please contact:

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Background

The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is responsible for the reimbursement determination 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.

Methodology

The specific administrative rules that govern the establishment of the fees in this proposal include these rules in Title 1 of the Texas Administrative Code (1 TAC):

- §355.8600, which addresses the reimbursement methodology for Ambulance Services.

In response to direction provided to HHSC in House Bill 1 by the 82nd Texas Legislature (Regular Session) and in accordance with 1 TAC §355.201, payment rates are proposed to be reduced for services by an additional five percent.

Proposed Rates

The proposed rates are based a five percent decrease for services for all ambulance procedure codes.

Proposed payment rates are listed in the attachments outlined below:

Attachment – Ambulance