

## Introduction to Medicaid / Managed Care

<b>Overview</b>	<p>Texas began participation in the Medicaid Program in September 1967 to pay for medical bills for low-income persons who have no other way to pay for care.</p> <p>Texas Medicaid operates under a Federal framework with the state of TX managing key elements.</p> <p>Primary service to low-income family, children, pregnant women, and individuals age 65 and older, as well as adults and children with disabilities.</p>
<b>Programs &amp; Eligibility</b>	<p><b>Medicaid Programs include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">CHIP</a>- Medicaid “Children’s Health Insurance Program” offers low-cost health coverage for children to age 18 (family income does not allow for Medicaid but below ability to pay for private health insurance).</li> <li>• <a href="#">CHIP Perinate</a> – Health coverage for pregnant women who do not qualify for Medicaid and do not have traditional health insurance.</li> <li>• <a href="#">STAR</a> - Medicaid for children, newborns, pregnant women and some families and children.</li> <li>• <a href="#">STAR Kids</a> - Medicaid Managed Care Program specifically serving children and young adults receiving disability-related Medicaid. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="#">Medicaid Buy-In for Children   Texas Health and Human Services</a> program for children with disability who do not qualify for Medicaid coverage.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <a href="#">STAR Health</a>- Medicaid for children receiving coverage through the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services. *Not administered by CCHP</li> <li>• <a href="#">STAR +Plus</a>- Medicaid program for disabled individuals or are 65 and older. Added benefit with STAR+Plus is long-term support services (LTSS) *Not administered by CCHP</li> </ul>
<b>Delivery of Service</b>	<p>Administered by Health &amp; Human Services Commission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fee for Service- Traditional Medicaid</li> <li>• Managed Care- Coordinate and reimbursement to providers for enrolled Members (Cook Children’s Health Plan is a managed care organization (MCO))</li> </ul>
<b>Contact</b>	<p><b>Website:</b> <a href="https://www.hhs.texas.gov/services/health/medicaid-chip">https://www.hhs.texas.gov/services/health/medicaid-chip</a></p>
<b>Goals of Managed Care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emphasizes on preventive care</li> <li>• Improved access to care</li> <li>• Ensures appropriate utilization of services</li> <li>• Increases Member and provider satisfaction</li> <li>• Establishes a medical home for Medicaid members through a primary care provider (PCP)</li> <li>• Improves health outcomes, quality of care, and cost effectiveness</li> <li>• Promotes care in the least restrictive, most appropriate setting</li> </ul>