

Texas Managed Care Program Features, as of 2021 (1 of 2)

Features	STAR HEALTH	STAR Kids	STAR+PLUS
Program type	Comprehensive MCO + MLTSS	Comprehensive MCO + MLTSS	Comprehensive MCO + MLTSS
Statewide or region-specific?	Statewide	Statewide	Statewide
Federal operating authority	1915(a),1915(b)/1915(c)	1115(a) (Medicaid demonstration waivers),1915(b)/1915(c),1945 Health Homes	1115(a) (Medicaid demonstration waivers)
Program start date	04/01/2008	11/01/2016	12/11/2011
Waiver expiration date (if applicable)	08/31/2027	09/30/2030	09/30/2030
If the program ended in 2020, indicate the end date			
Populations enrolled: Low-income adults <u>not covered</u> under ACA Section VIII (excludes pregnant women and people with disabilities)			
Populations enrolled: Low-income adults <u>covered</u> under ACA Section VIII (excludes pregnant women and people with disabilities)			
Populations enrolled: Aged, Blind or Disabled Children or Adults		Mandatory	Mandatory
Populations enrolled: Non-Disabled Children (excludes children in foster care or receiving adoption assistance)			
Populations enrolled: Individuals receiving Limited Benefits (excludes partial duals)			
Populations enrolled: Full Duals	Voluntary	Mandatory	Mandatory
Populations enrolled: Children with Special Health Care Needs		Mandatory	
Populations enrolled: American Indian/Alaska Native	Voluntary	Voluntary	Voluntary

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Populations enrolled: Foster Care and Adoption Assistance Children	Mandatory	Mandatory	
Populations enrolled: Enrollment choice period	Other	15 days	15 days
Populations enrolled: Enrollment broker name (if applicable)	MAXIMUS	MAXIMUS	MAXIMUS
Populations enrolled: Notes on enrollment choice period	Members are auto-enrolled by the enrollment broker		
Benefits covered: Inpatient hospital physical health	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Inpatient hospital behavioral health (MH and/or SUD)	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Outpatient hospital physical health	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Outpatient hospital behavioral health (MH and/or SUD)	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Partial hospitalization	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Physician	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Nurse practitioner	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Rural health clinics and FQHCs	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Clinic services	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Lab and x-ray	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Prescription drugs	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Prosthetic devices	X	X	X
Benefits covered: EPSDT	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Case management	X	X	X

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Benefits covered: SSA Section 1945-authorized Health Home		X	
Benefits covered: Home health services (services in home)	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Family planning	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Dental services (medical/surgical)	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Dental (preventative or corrective)	X	X	
Benefits covered: Personal care (state plan option)	X	X	X
Benefits covered: HCBS waiver services	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Private duty nursing	X	X	
Benefits covered: ICF-IDD			
Benefits covered: Nursing facility services			X
Benefits covered: Hospice care			
Benefits covered: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Institution for Mental Disease inpatient treatment for people ages 21-64 defined by 42 CFR §438.6(e) as an 'in lieu of benefit	X		X

Features	STAR HEALTH	STAR Kids	STAR+PLUS
Benefits covered: Other (e.g., nurse midwife services, freestanding birth centers, podiatry, etc.)	Diagnostic services, podiatrist services, medical supplies, non-prescription drugs, eye glasses, preventive services, nurse midwife services, and pediatric or family nurse practitioner services.	Diagnostic services, podiatrist services, medical supplies, non-prescription drugs, eye glasses, preventive services, nurse midwife services, and pediatric or family nurse practitioner services	Diagnostic services, podiatrist services, medical supplies, non-prescription drugs, eye glasses, preventive services, nurse midwife services, and pediatric or family nurse practitioner services, emergency and non-emergency ambulance, audiology and hearing aids, behavioral health services, prenatal care, birthing services, cancer screening, diagnostic and treatment, chiropractic services, dialysis, durable medical equipment, early childhood intervention, emergency services, laboratory, mastectomy, breast reconstruction, and related, radiology, therapies, organ transplant, telemedicine, community-based long term services and supports including habilitation, emergency response services (ERC) and support management
Quality assurance and improvement: HEDIS data required?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and improvement: CAHPS data required?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and improvement: Accreditation required?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and improvement: Accrediting organization	NCQA, URAC	NCQA, URAC	NCQA, URAC
Quality assurance and improvement: EQRO contractor name (if applicable)	Institute for Child Health Policy	Institute for Child Health Policy	Institute for Child Health Policy
Performance incentives: Payment bonuses/differentials to reward plans		X	X

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Performance incentives: Preferential auto-enrollment to reward plans	X	X	X
Performance incentives: Public reports comparing plan performance on key metrics	X	X	X
Performance incentives: Withholds tied to performance metrics			
Performance incentives: MCOs/PHPs required or encouraged to pay providers for value/quality outcomes	X	X	X
Participating plans: Plans in Program	Superior Health Plan	Amerigroup Insurance Company; Superior HealthPlan, Inc.; Aetna Better Health of Texas, Inc.; Community First Health Plans, Inc.; UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company, dba United Healthcare; Texas Children's Health Plan, Inc.; Driscoll Children's Health Plan; Cook Children's Health Plan; Health Care Service Corporation DBA Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas (BCBSTX)	Amerigroup Texas, Inc.; Superior HealthPlan, Inc.; UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company, dba United Healthcare Community Plan; Molina Healthcare of Texas, Inc.; HealthSpring Life & Health Insurance Co., Inc.

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Notes: Program notes	<p>Enrollment in the STAR Health Program is voluntary for the following population categories: 1) Children and young adults in DFPS conservatorship; 2) Emancipated minors or members age 18-22 who voluntarily agree to continue in foster placement; 3) Young adults age 18-21 who have exited care and are participating in the Medicaid for Transitional Foster Care Youth (MTFCY) or Former Foster Care Children (FFCC) program. 4) An infant born to a mother who is enrolled in STAR Health; 5) Children through age 17 and young adults aged 18 through the month of their 21st birthday who are receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or who were receiving Supplemental Income before becoming eligible for AA or PCA; and Children through age 17 and young adults aged 18 through the month of their 21st who are enrolled in a 1915(c) Medicaid Waiver and AA or PCA. Additional Notes: STAR Health members may receive HCBS through state plan HCBS such as Community First Choice and Personal Care Services; they also can receive Medically Dependent Children's Program services under the MDCP 1915 (c) waiver delivered through the STAR Health managed care program. STAR Health is operated under the state plan by contract with a managed care organization. Children and youth in Foster Care Medicaid are mandatorily enrolled in this program; this is allowed by the fact that the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services serves as the conservator for these members and chooses enrollment.</p>	Foster Care and Adoption Assistance choose between STAR Kids and STAR Health	

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Features	PACE	Children's Medicaid Dental Services	STAR
Program type	Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)	Dental only (PAHP)	Comprehensive MCO
Statewide or region-specific?	Statewide	Statewide	Statewide
Federal operating authority	PACE	1115(a) (Medicaid demonstration waivers)	1115(a) (Medicaid demonstration waivers)
Program start date	06/01/2001	12/11/2011	12/11/2011
Waiver expiration date (if applicable)		09/30/2022	09/30/2022
If the program ended in 2020, indicate the end date			
Populations enrolled: Low-income adults <u>not covered</u> under ACA Section VIII (excludes pregnant women and people with disabilities)			Mandatory
Populations enrolled: Low-income adults <u>covered</u> under ACA Section VIII (excludes pregnant women and people with disabilities)			
Populations enrolled: Aged, Blind or Disabled Children or Adults	Voluntary	Mandatory	Mandatory
Populations enrolled: Non-Disabled Children (excludes children in foster care or receiving adoption assistance)		Mandatory	Mandatory
Populations enrolled: Individuals receiving Limited Benefits (excludes partial duals)			
Populations enrolled: Full Duals	Voluntary		
Populations enrolled: Children with Special Health Care Needs			Mandatory
Populations enrolled: American Indian/Alaska Native	Voluntary	Voluntary	Voluntary

Features	PACE	Children's Medicaid Dental Services	STAR
Populations enrolled: Foster Care and Adoption Assistance Children	Exempt	Exempt	Mandatory
Populations enrolled: Enrollment choice period	N/A	15 days	15 days
Populations enrolled: Enrollment broker name (if applicable)		MAXIMUS	MAXIMUS
Populations enrolled: Notes on enrollment choice period			
Benefits covered: Inpatient hospital physical health	X		X
Benefits covered: Inpatient hospital behavioral health (MH and/or SUD)	X		X
Benefits covered: Outpatient hospital physical health	X		X
Benefits covered: Outpatient hospital behavioral health (MH and/or SUD)	X		X
Benefits covered: Partial hospitalization	X		X
Benefits covered: Physician	X		X
Benefits covered: Nurse practitioner	X		X
Benefits covered: Rural health clinics and FQHCs	X		X
Benefits covered: Clinic services	X		X
Benefits covered: Lab and x-ray	X		X
Benefits covered: Prescription drugs	X		X
Benefits covered: Prosthetic devices	X		X
Benefits covered: EPSDT		X	X
Benefits covered: Case management	X		X
Benefits covered: SSA Section 1945-authorized Health Home			

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Benefits covered: Home health services (services in home)	X		X
Benefits covered: Family planning			X
Benefits covered: Dental services (medical/surgical)	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Dental (preventative or corrective)	X	X	X
Benefits covered: Personal care (state plan option)	X		
Benefits covered: HCBS waiver services	X		
Benefits covered: Private duty nursing	X		X
Benefits covered: ICF-IDD			
Benefits covered: Nursing facility services	X		
Benefits covered: Hospice care	X		
Benefits covered: Non-Emergency Medical Transportation	X		
Benefits covered: Institution for Mental Disease inpatient treatment for people ages 21-64 defined by 42 CFR §438.6(e) as an 'in lieu of benefit			X

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Benefits covered: Other (e.g., nurse midwife services, freestanding birth centers, podiatry, etc.)	Adult day care/adult foster care, nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, recreational therapy, meals and nutrition counseling, social work/social services, medical supplies/adaptive aids and minor home modifications, transportation to and from medical appointments, audiology, dentistry, optometry, podiatry, speech therapy, respite care, medical care provided by a PACE physician familiar with the history, needs, and preferences of each participant		Diagnostic services, podiatrist services, medical supplies, non-prescription drugs, eye glasses, preventive services, nurse midwife services, and pediatric or family nurse practitioner services.
Quality assurance and improvement: HEDIS data required?	No	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and improvement: CAHPS data required?	No	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and improvement: Accreditation required?	No	Yes	No, but accreditation considered in plan selection criteria
Quality assurance and improvement: Accrediting organization		URAC	NCQA, URAC
Quality assurance and improvement: EQRO contractor name (if applicable)		Institute for Child Health Policy	Institute for Child Health Policy
Performance incentives: Payment bonuses/differentials to reward plans		X	X
Performance incentives: Preferential auto-enrollment to reward plans			X
Performance incentives: Public reports comparing plan performance on key metrics		X	X
Performance incentives: Withholds tied to performance metrics			

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Performance incentives: MCOs/PHPs required or encouraged to pay providers for value/quality outcomes		X	X
Participating plans: Plans in Program	Bienvivir Senior Health Services (El Paso); Silver Star Health Network (Lubbock); The Basic at Jan Werner (Amarillo)	MCNA Insurance Company; DentaQuest USA Insurance Company, Inc.	Amerigroup Texas, Inc.; Superior Health Plan, Inc.; El Paso Health Plans, Inc., dba El Paso Health; Aetna Better Health of Texas, Inc.; Community First Health Plans, Inc.; Seton Health Plan, Inc. dba Dell Children's Health Plan; UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company, dba United Healthcare Community Plan; Texas Children's Health Plan, Inc.; Molina Healthcare of Texas, Inc.; Driscoll Children's Health Plan; Parkland Community Health Plan, inc.; Cook Children's Health Plan; Community Health Choice Texas, Inc.; Health Care Service Corp. (dba Blue Cross Blue Shield); SHA.LLC, dba FirstCare Health Plans; Scott & White Health Plan
Notes: Program notes			