

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

July 9, 2019

**Proposed Payment Rates for Home-Delivered
Meals (HDM)**

Payment rates are proposed to be effective September 1, 2019

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PAYMENT RATES **Effective September 1, 2019**

The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will conduct a public hearing at 10:30 a.m. on July 9, 2019, in the Brown-Heatly Building Public Hearing Room, located at 4900 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas, 78751. Public comments will be received on the proposed rate for Home Delivered Meals (HDM) program to be effective on September 1, 2019.

HHSC will consider concerns expressed at the hearing prior to final rate approval. This public hearing is held in compliance with the provisions Human Resources Code §32.0282, and the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 1, §355.105(g), which require a public hearing on proposed payment rates.

PROPOSAL. HHSC proposes to increase the payment ceiling for the HDM Program in accordance with the 2020-21 General Appropriations Act, H.B. 1, 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019 (Article II, HHSC, Rider 99), which appropriated \$3 million general revenue in each State Fiscal Year of the 2020-2021 biennium to increase the maximum rate for HDM to \$5.31 per meal effective September 1, 2019.

METHODOLOGY AND JUSTIFICATION. The methodology for the proposed HDM reimbursement rates is at Title 1 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §355.511.

Please contact the Rate Analysis Department's Customer Information Center at (512) 424-6637 or by email at RAD-LTSS@hpsc.state.tx.us should you have any questions regarding the information in this document.