

**TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
COMMISSION**

Rate Analysis Department

**Proposed Payment Rates
For
Medicaid Hospice**

Effective October 1, 2012

The Code of Federal Regulations at 42 CFR 418.306(c) requires hospice rates to be adjusted annually by a wage index that is published in the Federal Register. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services determines the hospice rate amounts. The “Hospice Wage Index for Fiscal Year 2013” which specifies the adjusted hospice rates for federal fiscal year 2013 was published through the Internet for the first time on July 16, 2012, and will no longer appear in the Federal Register. The federal fiscal year 2013 hospice rate adjustments are effective from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

A public rate hearing on the proposed rates will be held on October 23, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in the Lone Star Conference Room of the Braker Center, Building H, at 11209 Metric Boulevard, Austin, Texas. This public hearing is being held in compliance with the provisions of Title 1 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §355.105(g), which require a public hearing on proposed payment rates. The proposed rates are outlined in the attachment to this packet.

Should you have any questions regarding the information in this document, please contact:

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