

PROVIDER NEWSLETTER

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Congenital Syphilis Prevention Summit

Friday, September 20, 2024 Houston, Texas

Registration is open for the Department of State Health Services **Congenital Syphilis Prevention Summit.**

Join healthcare professionals from across Texas to explore the current state of congenital syphilis, discuss prevention strategies, and discover how you can make an impact in your community.

Your strategic support and continued engagement are critical as we work together toward preventing congenital syphilis cases in Texas.

Click below to access the flyer with more details and the registration link.

View Summit Flyer

CHIP COVID-19 Services

During the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) waived co-pays for COVID-19 services for CHIP members. Starting October 1, 2024, co-pays for CHIP COVID-19 vaccines, testing, and treatment may be collected.

Learn More

Texas Medicaid HepCure

HHSC launched Texas Medicaid HepCure to reduce Hepatitis C (HCV) rates by removing administrative barriers and improving access to treatment. Click below to learn more about this important initiative.

HepCure

Behavioral Health: Assessment Tools & Resources for Physicians

Driscoll Health Plan is dedicated to early detection and diagnosis of behavioral health disorders. Prevention and screening in the primary care setting are essential for managing both the physical and mental health needs of patients, as well as identifying more complex cases that may require a referral to a behavioral health specialist.

Please see our new <u>Behavioral Health Screening and Assessment Tool Resource Guide</u> to support you.

Pediatric Health Homes Addressing Non-Medical Drivers of Health

Driscoll Health Plan is collaborating with thirteen (13) pediatric health homes to improve the quality care for our members by addressing Non-Medical Drivers of Health.

Providers use a modified version of the evidence-based screening tool, Health Leads, to assess members in the office for needs such as food, housing, utilities, transportation, and safety. For any positive screenings, providers offer local resources to assist members. Since September 2023, our pediatric health homes have administered over 15,000 screenings to Driscoll Health Plan members.

Thank you to our pediatric health homes, listed below, for your commitment to providing quality care for all our DHP members and addressing all aspects of their health. If you're interested in becoming a pediatric health home, please email our health home coordinator at **dhp.healthhome@dchstx.org** for more information.

| Nueces Service Area | Hidalgo Service Area |
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| Careville Pediatrics | Brownsville Children's Clinic |
| Children's Center of Corpus Christi | Brownsville Kiddie Health Center |
| Coastal Children's Clinic | David Lecusay Pediatrics PA |
| Rani Pediatrics | Fernando Castaneda, MD |
| South Padre Island Pediatrics | Harlingen Pediatric Associates |
| Tots & Teens Pediatrics | M & M Pediatrics |
| | Valley Children's Clinic |



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