

Anchor Update 7/27/18

Good Morning Region 10 Providers,

Just a few updates for you today:

- HHSC will extend the Category C Early Reporting Deadline to **Monday, August 6th at noon** Central time. Providers are still encouraged to send in reporting templates on Friday the 4th if possible. HHSC will not accept any templates received after the August 6th deadline.
- Providers will submit their templates via email to the waiver mailbox. If a provider is unable to send their template via email, they can request the ability to upload their files to HHSC's SharePoint. They should send this request to the waiver mailbox. Please note that before requesting access to the HHSC SharePoint account, they will need to create an account using an Office 365 email address or another Microsoft account like Outlook.com, Live.com, or Hotmail.com.
- The July 9th Category C Baseline Reporting webinar is now posted to the HHSC website: <https://hhs.texas.gov/laws-regulations/policies-rules/waivers/medicaid-1115-waiver/recorded-webinars-conference-calls>.
- HHSC has completed review of Category C Modification Requests submitted by the July 26th deadline that also indicated the provider intended to report an early baseline for that measure (providers indicated this by selecting "yes" in the modification request form when asked if they intended to report early baseline for the measure requesting a modification). HHSC will be notifying providers of approval or denial of requests Today, Monday July, 30th and will post an updated Category C Reporting Template reflecting approved changes early next week.
- The Category C Baseline Reporting Template was updated on 7/26/2018 to correct an issue with calculating DY7 & DY8 goals for some measures with negative directionality. HHSC will correct any inaccurate goals in prior versions of the template during baseline review, so providers who have already started work on a previous template version do not need to switch to this updated version.
- The Category C template does not calculate the MLIU baseline rate and resulting goals appropriately for measure K2-355 Admit Decision Time to ED Departure Time. HHSC is working to identify a solution, and does not anticipate that this will be corrected in the early baseline reporting template. Providers can still report baselines for K2-355 but know that the MLIU rate and goals calculated are not correct, and providers may be required to submit additional information after baseline reporting regarding the number of eligible cases in the Medicaid and LIU denominators in order to determine a meaningful MLIU baseline. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.
- An updated MSLC Risk Adjusting Template (version 4) has been uploaded to the DSRIP bulletin board. It is titled "MSLC Risk-Adjusting Template v4 7-20-18.xlsx" and can be

found under the Waiver Renewal Guidance for DY7-8 section. The updated template addresses an issue with calculating normative values.

- HHSC will post some additional MSLC responses to provider questions this week.