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To: Local Mental Health Authorities (LMHA)
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Children's Mental Health Directors
Chief Executive Officer, ValueOptions of Texas, Inc.
Chief Executive Officer, North Texas Behavioral Health Authority

From: Trina Ita, Director (J:),
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Re: Stakeholder Forums Hosted by the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) Regarding the Federal Rules Related to Home and Community-Based Services Settings

The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) will be hosting several stakeholder forums at various locations around the state to provide information on federal rules related to Home and Community Based Services settings. The federal rules can be located at <http://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid-chip-program-information/by-topics/long-term-services-all-supports/home-and-community-based-services/home-and-community-based-services.html>. We are inviting all interested stakeholders to join us and learn more about the federal rules, and how our Statewide Transition Plan (STP) may impact individuals receiving or providing Medicaid services. In addition to information on our STP, these sessions will outline a process for providing feedback on the new survey tools intended to help us better assess services and upcoming revisions to the statewide transition plan.

Sessions will be held in the following locations on the following dates:

San Antonio, October 22, 2015
Lubbock, October 27, 2015
El Paso, October 29, 2015
Harlingen, November 3, 2015
Fort Worth, November 6, 2015
Tyler, November 9, 2015

More details such as the addresses and specific times for the meetings are available at the following websites:

<http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/medicaid/hcbs/index.shtml>

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<http://www.dads.state.tx.us/providers/HCBS/index.cfm>
[https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/mhsa/yes/Centers-for-Medicare-and-Medicaid-Services-
HCBS-Rules.aspx](https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/mhsa/yes/Centers-for-Medicare-and-Medicaid-Services-
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