

Interim Hearings – Week of September 17, 2012

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September 17th

House Committee on [Human Services](#)

Charge: Managed care in South Texas

- ["Mblina: High Costs in Hidalgo, El Paso, Service Areas are Really Hurting,"](#) *Rio Grande Guardian*, August 3, 2012
- ["Some Pharmacies Close in New Program's First Day,"](#) *Brownsville Herald*, March 1, 2012 and ["Managed Care Move Harming Pharmacies, Threatening Access for Texans,"](#) *Rio Grande Guardian*, July 30, 2012
- ["Opinions Mixed as Managed Care Comes to Valley,"](#) *Texas Tribune*, February 21, 2012
- ["House Human Services Committee Presentation Medicaid Managed Care Expansion in South Texas"](#) (Powerpoint presentation), Texas Health and Human Services Commission, November 28, 2011
- [Interim Hearings - Weeks of November 21 and 28, 2011](#), Legislative Reference Library, November 16, 2011

Charge: Foster care redesign

- ["Foster Care Agency Defends Record, Despite Pulled State Contract,"](#) *Austin American Statesman*, August 22, 2012
- ["Panel Approves Plan to Overhaul State Foster-Care System,"](#) *Tulsa World* (Oklahoma), July 26, 2012
- ["Foster Care Hearing Focuses on Accountability,"](#) *Texas Tribune*, July 16, 2012
- ["Foster Care Redesign: Other States' Experience"](#) (Powerpoint presentation), Legislative Budget Board, July 16, 2012
- [Interim Hearings - Week of July 16, 2012](#), Legislative Reference Library, July 11, 2012
- [Improving Child/Youth Placement Outcomes: A System Redesign \(Foster Care Redesign\)](#), Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

September 18th

House Committee on **County Affairs**

Charge: Population growth in unincorporated areas

- **"Demand for Services May Strain County,"** *San Antonio Express-News*, May 16, 2011
- **County Subdivision Regulation Sourcebook**, Texas Association of Counties, 2010
- **"Red Tape, Catch 22s Impede Progress in Texas' Colonias"** and **"Conditions, Health Risks Sicken Colonias Residents,"** *Texas Tribune*, July 2011

Charge: County jails

- **"Texas is Tops in Locking Up Prisoners,"** *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, August 14, 2012
- **County Jail Population Reports**, Texas Commission on Jail Standards, last updated August 1, 2012
- **County Jails and the Affordable Care Act**, National Association of Counties, May 2012
- **Public Safety and Cost Control Solutions for Texas County Jails**, Texas Public Policy Foundation, March 2012
- **"Minding the Gap,"** *Denton Record-Chronicle*, March 1, 2012
- **Costly Confinement & Sensible Solutions: Jail Overcrowding in Texas**, Texas Criminal Justice Coalition, October 2010
- **Crisis Care Services for Counties: Preventing Individuals with Mental Illnesses from Entering Local Correction Systems**, National Association of Counties, June 2010

Charge: Monitor the agencies and programs under the committee's jurisdiction; update on **Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program Medicaid 1115 Waiver**

- **Medicaid Transformation Waiver** including overview, timeline, background resources, and proposed rules, Texas Health and Human Services Commission
- **"Valley Building New 'Template' for Medicaid Waiver,"** *The Monitor*, August 25, 2012

Upcoming Budget Hearings

September 17th

Arts, Commission on the

Library and Archives Commission

Nursing, Board of

September 18th

Information Resources, Department of

The University of Texas - Arlington, Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Health Center at Tyler, Health Science Center at San Antonio, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Medical Branch at Galveston, System Administration

September 19th

Finance Authority, Public

Governor, Office of the

Housing and Community Affairs, Department of

Insurance Counsel, Office of Public

Lottery Commission, Texas

Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor

The University of Texas - Brownsville, Health Science Center at Houston, Pan American, Permian Basin, San Antonio, Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, Tyler

Water Development Board

September 20th

Comptroller of Public Accounts, Fiscal Programs

Employees Retirement System

State Health Services, Department of

Workforce Commission, Texas

September 21st

Health and Human Services Commission

Texas Facilities Commission

Texas Southern University

University of Houston - Clear Lake, Downtown, System Administration, Victoria