# 2024 STAR Kids Primary Care Provider Incentive Program

Texas Children's Health Plan has updated their 2024 STAR Kids Provider Incentive Program for Primary Care Providers (PCPs) who perform recommended services for key performance HEDIS® measures identified in the Medical Pay-for Quality Program by Texas Health and Human Services.

Provider and health plan partnerships will close care gaps, enrich care delivery, improve data capture, and engage membership. These efforts result in improved quality scores and healthier member outcomes. Please review this handout to learn about the incentive program, understand your eligibility for participation, and identify the potential incentive payment you could receive.

## **Payout schedule**

Measures	Performance period	Payout date
Inovalon Tool Usage	Apr. 1, 2024–June 30, 2024 July 1, 2024–Sep. 30, 2024 Oct. 1, 2024–Dec. 31, 2024	July 2024 Oct. 2024 Jan. 2025
WCV Total (STAR Kids)	January 1, 2024– December 31, 2024	June 2025
WCC-BMI (STAR Kids)	January 1, 2024– December 31, 2024	June 2025
CIS-CO10 (STAR Kids)	January 1, 2024– December 31, 2024	June 2025

## How the program works

The program measurement year is the 2024 calendar year for dates of service January 1-December 31, 2024. There will be one payment each year for services incurred over the course of the 2024 calendar year. To be eligible for the incentive payout, the PCP group is required to have a panel of a minimum of 25 STAR Kids members and meet the performance targets outlined.

New for 2024: Beginning in Q2 providers have an opportunity to earn a \$250 quarterly incentive by accessing gaps in care reports via Inovalon tool.



Care must be captured administratively through claims. Medical record submission will not count toward incentive payments. Recommended code classes are CPT or ICD-10.

Incentive payments are attributed to eligible group Tax ID Numbers (TINs) based on each member who receives the required service for measures if the group meets the panel requirements.

Each provider group must be actively contracted with Texas Children's Health Plan's STAR Kids line of business at the time of payment to be eligible for payout. Minimum panel requirement: 25 members for performance period.

## **2024 Program Structure**

The program consists of calendar year performance period for quality measures and one annual payout for these HEDIS metrics. Payout at each performance level is proportional to the number of members assigned to PCP panels.

Providers are eligible for \$10 incentive per member for Level I performance and \$5 incentive per member for Level II performance.

After meeting both qualifying measures, a provider group is then eligible to receive payment for each of the performance measures included in the 2024 program.

Effective Q2, each quarter, PCP's have the opportunity to earn a \$250 payout by accessing gaps in care reports via Inovalon Tool. Providers can earn an incentive for each separate measure included in the 2024 program.



#### **Performance Measures**

Payout caps: Level I \$30,000, Level II \$15,000

**WCV Total-** Child and Adolescent Well-Care Visits: Assesses children 3–21 years of age who received one or more well-care visit with a primary care practitioner or an OB/GYN practitioner during the measurement year.

**WCC-BMI-** Assesses children and adolescents 3-17 years of age who had an outpatient visit with a primary care practitioner or OB/GYN during the measurement year and had evidence of Body mass index (BMI) percentile documentation.

**CIS-CO10-** Childhood Immunization Status combination 10. The percentage of children 2 years of age who had a four diphtheria, tetanus and acellular pertussis (DTaP); three polio (IPV); one measles, mumps and rubella (MMR); three

haemophilus influenza type B (HiB); three hepatitis B (HepB), one chicken pox (VZV); four pneumococcal conjugate (PCV); one hepatitis A (HepA); two or three rotavirus (RV); and two influenza (flu) vaccines by their second birthday.

**Inovalon Tool Usage-** Accessing gaps in care reports via Inovalon tool.

#### **Star Kids Provider Incentive Program**

Measure	Level I	Level II
WCV-Total	≥76	≥63-<76
WCC-BMI	≥75	≥47.5-<75
CIS-CO10	≥35	≥21-<35
Inovalon Tool Usage	3X Quarterly	

### Program changes and continuation

Texas Children's Health Plan reserves the right to evaluate the program and modify the program in its sole discretion at any time. Texas Children's Health Plan further reserves the right to terminate this program at any time.

## Payment administration

- Payment will be made to the entity associated with the Tax ID number to which the STAR Kids provider group(s) are affiliated for claims payment.
- Each STAR Kids provider group must be actively contracted with Texas Children's Health
  Plan STAR Kids line of business at the time of payment to be eligible for payout.
- Explanation of Payment (EOP) statements will be prepared on a quarterly and annual basis for distribution.

- Payments are consolidated for multiple groups and STAR Kids providers who practice within the same Tax ID number.
- Texas Children's Health Plan will communicate the performance and payout results to the provider group. The individual STAR Kids provider scores will be listed on the EOP.
- Providers or groups subject to payment review or a corrective action plan by Texas Children's Health Plan, under a payment hold or similar order from a regulating agency or not in good standing for participation in the federal or state healthcare programs at the time of payout will not be eligible for incentive payouts and will remain ineligible until any of the above-referenced matters is resolved and the provider or group resumes to be in good standing.

If you have any questions please contact the alternative payment model team via email at AlternativePaymentModels@texaschildrens.org.



#### Did you know?

Texas Children's Health Plan members can receive a \$50 reward card after their child has completed their first three Well-Child Checkups, and an additional \$100 reward card if their child reaches six Well-Child Checkups by the age of 15 months.