HHS Invests in Texas

HHS invested $348.5 Billion in Texas to enhance the health and well-being of Americans at every stage of life by delivering and financing effective health and human services and fostering sound, sustained advances in the sciences underlying medicine, public health, and social services.

Investment Highlights FY2009-2014

Safe and Strong Families

HHS invested $11.7 Billion in Texas to help provide low income families, people with disabilities, and older adults with the opportunity to live with dignity, independence, and participate fully in American life.

Early Childhood Development

High-quality early child care, education opportunities, and parent support help prepare our nation’s youngest learners for entry into formal schooling. HHS invested $6.82 Billion in Texas to help children birth to age 5 living in low-income families achieve a path to success.

Health Care Services

HHS works to improve access to health care services for people who are medically underserved and fulfill tribal obligations, and invested $4.09 Billion in Texas. Programs emphasize primary and preventive care, address health disparities, reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness, improve the quality of care, and build the workforce.

Public Health and Emergency Preparedness

HHS invested $2.21 Billion in Texas to conduct surveillance and provide health information that protects our nation against expensive and dangerous health threats, and responds when these arise.

Science and Health Research

HHS invested $6.87 Billion in Texas to support biomedical and health services research to improve human health, sustain jobs in science and medicine, and ensure that health care is safer, more affordable, and highly effective.

Health Care Financing

Medicare, Medicaid, the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and health insurance reforms delivered $316.8 Billion in Texas to provide high quality health insurance coverage for the elderly, children, low income families, people with disabilities, and people seeking private health insurance plans.

About Texas

Life expectancy for a child born in TX today is 77.04 years.

The 2013 infant mortality rate was 5.84 deaths per 1,000 live births.

In 2013, of those people in Texas with health insurance, approximately 57.9% percent were covered by private insurance, 12.6% by Medicare, and 17.4% by Medicaid. Approximately 22.1% of Texas’ population had no health insurance.

For the 2015 open enrollment period, 966,412 Texas residents enrolled in the Marketplace, of whom 86% received federal subsidies to reduce their premiums and/or cost sharing requirements. The average monthly premium after tax credit is $105.

401 community health centers were funded to deliver primary care and serving over 1,124,022 patients.


In 2013, 42.6% of office-based physicians in Texas met criteria for meaningful use of electronic health records.