

Legislative Updates

TCMHCC Executive Committee Meeting September 29, 2025

HB 18 - Rural Hospitals

- Requires TCMHCC to
 - Implement CPAN and PeriPAN in rural hospitals and clinics
 - o Implement a pilot in FY27 for TCHATT-like services in rural hospitals
- A workgroup has been formed with UT System, CPAN/TCHATT and PeriPAN Medical Directors, Internal Evaluation, Center for Health Communication, HHSC, and Texas Organization of Rural & Community Hospitals.
- CPAN PeriPAN rollout is expected early calendar year 2026.
- Additional discussions will focus on barriers/risks, technology, data, and communication needs, and operational policies/procedures.
- The workgroup will continue to meet monthly.



HB 6 - Provider Referrals/TCHATT Data

- Requires TCMHCC to
 - Quarterly, post the list of providers we refer to on our website and to share with ISDs
 - Post the referred provider vetting process on our website
 - o Report on specific TCHATT data in the TCMHCC biennial report to the legislature
- The Q1 list of providers has been posted on our website and shared with TEA to share with ISDs.
- The vetting process will be posted on our website soon.
- Trayt changes are in process to enable reporting of all required data.



Rider 38 (f), SB 1 - TCHATT Billing

- Requires TCMHCC to explore options for third-party reimbursement for services beyond 4
 TCHATT sessions.
- Planning is still underway for this project.

