

# STAR Kids

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## Overview

- ◆ Senate Bill (S.B.) 7, 83<sup>rd</sup> Legislature, Regular Session, 2013
- ◆ Capitated Medicaid managed care program
  - ◆ Children and young adults (under age 21) with disabilities
- ◆ Implemented November 1, 2016



## Population and Enrollment

- ◆ November 2016 member total – **163,662 lives**
  - ◆ Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
  - ◆ Medically Dependent Children Program (MDCP)
  - ◆ Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD) waivers
    - ◆ Home and Community-based Services (HCS)
    - ◆ Texas Home Living (TxHmL)
    - ◆ Deaf Blind with Multiple Disabilities (DBMD)
    - ◆ Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS)
  - ◆ Youth Empowerment Services (YES)



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## Service Coordination

- ◆ Levels 1 to 3 determined by member need
  - ◆ Level 1 – greatest need (includes MDCP)
  - ◆ Level 2 – moderate need (includes personal care, nursing)
  - ◆ Level 3 – lowest need
- ◆ Named service coordinator
- ◆ Face-to-face and telephonic contact frequencies



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## STAR Kids Screening and Assessment (SK-SAI)

### Comprehensive Needs Assessment

- ◆ Goals for care
- ◆ Acute services, including behavioral health
- ◆ Long term services and supports (LTSS)
- ◆ School, work, and caregiver supports
- ◆ Medical Necessity and RUG (replaces MN/LOC)
  - ◆ Approved by Texas Medicaid Health Partnership (TMHP)
- ◆ Completed annually, at minimum



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### A Modular Assessment

- ◆ The Core
  - ◆ Required, identifies most needs, may trigger other modules
- ◆ Personal Care Assessment Module (PCAM)
- ◆ Nursing Care Assessment Module (NCAM)
  - ◆ Also helps determine Medical Necessity (MN) for select programs
- ◆ Medically Dependent Children Program Module (MDCP)
  - ◆ Calculates RUG level only for member's budget



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