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To: Texas Workers' Compensation System Participants

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RE: DWC Adopts Amendments to 28 Texas Administrative Code Section 133.30

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) is adopting amendments to [28 Texas Administrative Code \(TAC\) Section 133.30](#). The amendments conform Section 133.30 to [Texas Occupations Code Chapter 111](#), which the Legislature amended under House Bill 2056 to define "teledentistry dental service."

Section 133.30 (which has been in effect since May 6, 2018), sets billing requirements when a health care provider provides telemedicine and telehealth services. Before adopting these amendments, Section 133.30 had definitions for "telemedicine services" and "telehealth services," but it did not define "teledentistry dental service."

The adopted amendments add a definition for "teledentistry services" and a requirement that health care providers must bill for teledentistry services according to applicable Medicaid payment policies. The adopted amendments do not establish a new reimbursement methodology for teledentistry but require health care providers to use the existing dental reimbursement methodology in [28 TAC Section 134.303](#).

The adopted rule will be published in the August 18, 2023, issue of the *Texas Register* and available at www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml once published. We will also post a copy of the adoption order on the TDI website at www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/rules/2023rules.html.