

# Texas Medicaid 1115 Waiver Evaluation

## Project Summary & Goals

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission contracted with Texas A&M University School of Public Health, who subcontracted with University of Louisville School of Public Health and Information Sciences (SPHIS), and the Commonwealth Institute (CIK), to lead research on the effects of the Texas Medicaid 1115. SPHIS/CIK was responsible for studying the effects of the Waiver on interorganizational collaborations and assessed stakeholder perceptions of the 1115 Waiver Program and implementation in each Regional Healthcare Partnership. The study included collecting organizational-level data on collaborations to improve service delivery, as well as stakeholder feedback on implementation and outcomes of the Program.

## Project Dates

2014-2016

## Principal Investigators

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## Communities and Partners Involved

The Commonwealth Institute team engaged community organizations actively involved in supporting and/or delivering health care services across 20 Regional Healthcare Partnerships.

## Funders

This research was funded by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

## Key Findings

Key findings of the evaluation, including the two aims led by SPHIS/CIK are available in the Final Evaluation Report (available at <https://hhs.texas.gov/sites/default/files/documents/laws-regulations/policies-rules/1115-docs/tool-guidelines/Evaluation-Texas-Demonstration-Waiver.pdf>).