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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Health & Human Services

Note the date change

TIME & DATE: 9:00 AM, Tuesday, July 31, 2012

PLACE: Senate Chamber

CHAIR: Senator Jane Nelson

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services will take up the following charges:

Charge #3 - Review the state's current investment in health care innovation, including translational research and the Cancer Prevention Research Institute, which focuses on rapid transfer of new technology experimentation directly into the clinical environment. Make recommendations to improve the health of Texans and encourage continued medical research in the most cost-effective manner possible.

Charge #5 - Review the Medicaid Home and Community Based Services Waivers to identify strategies to lower costs, improve quality, and increase access to services. Areas of the review should include, but are not limited to: Functional eligibility determinations to ensure services are only being delivered to individuals that qualify; Financial eligibility determinations to ensure parental income and resources are considered when the client is a minor; Coordination of acute and long-term care services; Development and use of lower-cost community care waiver options; Coordination with the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) for waiver services for children in conservatorships; Reinvesting savings into accessibility of community care for individuals waiting for services.

Charge #9 (bullet four) - Monitor the implementation of legislation addressed by the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services and make recommendations for any legislation needed to improve, enhance, and/or complete implementation, including but not limited to: the implementation of the DOJ Settlement agreement to address State Supported Living Center concerns.

Public testimony will be limited to 3 minutes. If submitting written testimony, please provide 20 copies with your name on each.