43. Describe how this payment arrangement is expected to advance the goal(s) and objective(s) identified in Table 7. If this is part of a multi-year effort, describe this both in terms of this year's payment arrangement and in terms of that of the multi-year payment arrangement.

The State is promoting optimal health for Texans through TIPPS by collecting information on structure measures in Component 1 that impact provider performance on process and outcome measures in Components 2 and 3. Across Components 1-3, TIPPS promotes effective practices for people with chronic, complex, and serious conditions by including patient education focused on disease self-management, hemoglobin A1c testing and control, and controlling high blood pressure for patients diagnosed with hypertension. Additionally, in Components 2 and 3, TIPPS aims to increase screenings, referrals, and immunizations and improve maternal health. To continue providing the right care in the right place at the right time, HHSC will also evaluate the program's impact on supporting the reduction of potentially preventable events while increasing access to preventive and primary care services.

For a structure measure, a provider must submit responses to qualitative reporting questions that summarize a provider's progress towards implementing a structure measure. Providers are not required to implement structure measures as a condition of reporting or program participation. For outcome and process measures, a provider must submit specified numerator and denominator rates as specified by HHSC and submit responses to associated qualitative reporting questions that summarize a provider's improvement efforts tied to a measure. Payments are not tied to reporting or demonstrating achievement of the measures; measures will be used to track provider progress and for purposes of the program evaluation. The process, outcome, and structure measures that will be used to evaluate the TIPPS program and advance the goals and objectives identified in Table 7 are included in the "DPP Evaluation Plan".