

**41. If the State is currently updating the quality strategy, please submit a draft version, and provide:**

**a. A target date for submission of the revised quality strategy (month and year):**

Texas is submitting an updated Quality Strategy to CMS by March 31, 2021, as required by 42 CFR 438.340 and the [DSRIP Transition Plan](#). A draft of the proposed Quality Strategy is posted on the [HHSC website](#).

**b. Note any potential changes that might be made to the goals and objectives.**

The current Quality Strategy includes the following goals:

- Transition from volume-based purchasing models to a pay-for-performance model
- Improve member satisfaction with care
- Reduce payments for low quality care

The proposed Quality Strategy incorporates revised goals:

- Promoting optimal health for Texans at every stage of life through prevention and by engaging individuals, families, communities, and the healthcare system to address root causes of poor health.
- Strengthening person and family engagement as partners in their care to enhance respect for individual's values, preferences, and expressed needs.
- Keeping patients free from harm by building a safer healthcare system that limits human error.
- Providing the right care in the right place at the right time to ensure people can easily navigate the health system to receive timely services in the least intensive or restrictive setting appropriate.
- Promoting effective practices for people with chronic, complex, and serious conditions to improve people's quality of life, reduce mortality rates, and better manage the leading drivers of health care costs.
- Attracting and retaining high-performing providers and other healthcare professionals to participate in team based, collaborative, and high-value care.