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Executive Commissioner

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Re: Termination of Planned Parenthood Clinics from Texas Medicaid

Dear Mr. Lambrecht, Mr. Hons, and Ms. Linton:

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission received your letter dated December 14, 2020, expressing your requests (1) to continue in the Medicaid program, or in the alternative, (2) for your Medicaid patients to be granted a grace period to find other providers. Your request to continue in the Medicaid program is denied, as the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal's December 15, 2020, mandate vacated the District Court's injunction against the termination of your clinics from the Medicaid program.

Your alternative request for a grace period will be granted in part. Your clinics may no longer accept any new Medicaid clients. There will be a 30-day grace period (from the date of this letter, or until February 3, 2021) to ensure that current

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Medicaid clients receiving services at your clinics can be transitioned to new providers.

Your clients who are members of a Managed Care Organization (MCO) will be notified by their MCO of the process to transition to a new provider. If your clients have questions, please have them reach out to their MCO member services help line for assistance. Clients who are not members of an MCO may search for a new provider on the TMHP website at:

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Sincerely,

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