## PUBLIC NOTICE OF REGIONAL HEALTHCARE PARTNERSHIP, REGION 4 LEARNING COLLABORATIVE

In 2011, the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services approved a Medicaid demonstration waiver entitled "Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program" (1115 Waiver). The goals of the 1115 Waiver are to increase access to health care, improve the quality of care, and enhance the health of patients and families they serve. The 1115 Waiver is approved through September 30, 2016; additional details about the Waiver are available at <a href="http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/1115-waiver.shtml">http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/1115-waiver.shtml</a>.

The 1115 Waiver was organized by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and based on Regional Healthcare Partnerships (RHP). RHP 4 includes the following coastal bend area counties: Aransas, Bee, Brooks, DeWitt, Duval, Goliad, Gonzales, Jackson, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kenedy, Kleberg, Lavaca, Live Oak, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, and Victoria. Certain initiatives under the 1115 Waiver are designed to provide incentive payments to hospitals, local mental health authorities, public health departments, and certain academic physician group providers for investments in delivery system reform incentive payment (DSRIP) pool projects that achieve the goals above. Additional information about RHP 4 and the 1115 Waiver are available at http://www.nchdcc.org/1115-waiver-information.cfm.

The Nueces County Hospital District (NCHD) is the HHSC-designated Anchor Entity for RHP 4; NCHD is required to organize periodic Learning Collaboratives to promote group DSRIP project learning. This notice is to inform the public, consumers, and stakeholders that NCHD will conduct a Learning Collaborative for RHP 4 and other RHP providers at the date, time, and location shown below.

Tuesday, May 19, 2015 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Education Service Center, Region 2 Room 3-11 209 North Water Street Corpus Christi, Texas 78401-2528

The agenda for this Learning Collaborative will be available in the 1115 Waiver Learning Collaborative section of NCHD's website at <a href="http://www.nchdcc.org/learning-collaborative.cfm">http://www.nchdcc.org/learning-collaborative.cfm</a> not later than **Monday, May 18, 2015**.

Provider registration for this Learning Collaborative is available online at <a href="http://goo.gl/forms/9ElQoNRIYk">http://goo.gl/forms/9ElQoNRIYk</a>; the registration is powered by Google Forms®.

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