

MEMORANDUM

TO:	Valued Providers
FROM:	El Paso Health
DATE:	07/31/2023
RE:	Texas Medicaid should submit the Texas Facility Credentialing directly to Verisys.

Effective July 1, 2023, facilities enrolled in Texas Medicaid should submit the Texas Facility Credentialing Application directly to Verisys– **the Availity portal is no longer an option for submission**. The facility credentialing application can be accessed on our website at <u>www.elpasohealth.com</u> or by contacting Verisys's customer service team at 1-855-743-6161. As always, Verisys will contact you to initiate the facility credentialing process.

Please return your completed application with the supporting documents to Verisys via the following methods:

- Upload to our secure document submission website at <u>https://outreach.aperturecvo.com</u> Use Access Code: aperture
- Email to <u>TAHPapps@verisys.com</u> utilizing the bar-coded letter as the top page of the PDF document
- Fax to 866-293-0421 utilizing the bar-coded letter as a cover sheet
- Mail to Verisys P.O. Box 221049 Louisville, KY 40252-1049

The removal of Availity as a portal for submitting facility credentialing applications is due to the rollout of HHSC's PEMS+¹ and the expiration of Availity's contract with Verisys. PEMS+ is an enhancement that will move credentialing into the existing PEMS portal; when it rolls out, providers and facilities will submit both credentialing and enrollment applications through PEMS+. We will communicate the timeframe for the rollout of PEMS+ as soon as it has been finalized by HHSC.

If you have questions regarding this correspondence please contact our Provider Relations Department for assistance at 1-915-532-3778 or toll free at 1-877-532-3778.

¹ SB 200 (84R) requires a streamlined process for Medicaid provider enrollment and managed care credentialing. The PEMS+ rollout is led by HHSC and moves credentialing to the Provider Enrollment Management System (PEMS) portal, which is currently being used for provider enrollment.