

# Texas All Payer Claims Data Base HB 2090

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# Texas HB 2090 and TX-APCD



## Purpose

- Established at the UT Health Center for Health Care Data
  - Already largest research accessible data repository in Texas.
  - Certified Qualified Entity for Medicare Data
- Legislative Purpose of TX-APCD:
  - Improving Population Health
  - Improving Health Care Quality and Outcomes
  - Increasing transparency of costs, utilization, and access

# Texas All Payors Claim Database

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What is an APCD – Generally?

- An APCD is a system that collects health care claims and related data from payors of health care services in a geographic area.

What is the TX-APCD?

- The TX-APCD is established by HB 2090 and will be comprised of Medical Claims, Pharmacy Claims, Dental Claims, Enrollment and Eligibility files.
- The TX-APCD will collect historical Texas claims data from Texas payors beginning **from at least** January 1, 2019;
- Claims will be collected every month thereafter. Both Paid Claims and Certain Denied Claims.
- Following the initial collection of data, the TX-APCD must evaluate and validate the payor submissions before access may be provided to researchers.

# Registrations – Overview

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- ◆ We have registered 105 Insurers/TPAs representing 427 Payors.
- ◆ The volume of data in the APCD represents approx. 60% of all insured Texans:
  - ◆ Total Covered Lives: Over 18,000,000
- ◆ Every unique medical claim and other related data must be submitted on a monthly basis for the following:
  - ◆ Medical Claims
  - ◆ Pharmacy Claims
  - ◆ Dental Claims
  - ◆ Provider and Eligibility Files

# Which plans are required to submit?

## Near 100% of Regulated Plans

- Medical plans
- Dental plans
- Behavioral Health plans
- Medicare Advantage plans
- Non-ERISA self funded plans
- County and Municipal Sponsored Plans
- State Plans
- Managed Care Organizations/HHSC (Medicaid)
- ERISA self funded plans are voluntary

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## Required Activities

- Monitor integrity of data submitted
- Establish an Advisory Group
- Report to the Legislature
  - **Analysis of the trends of health care affordability, availability, quality and utilization.**
- Public Access Portal (Establish and Maintain)
  - Aggregate reports on:
    - Cost                      Quality
    - Utilization                      Outcomes
    - Disparities                      Population health
    - Access to healthcare

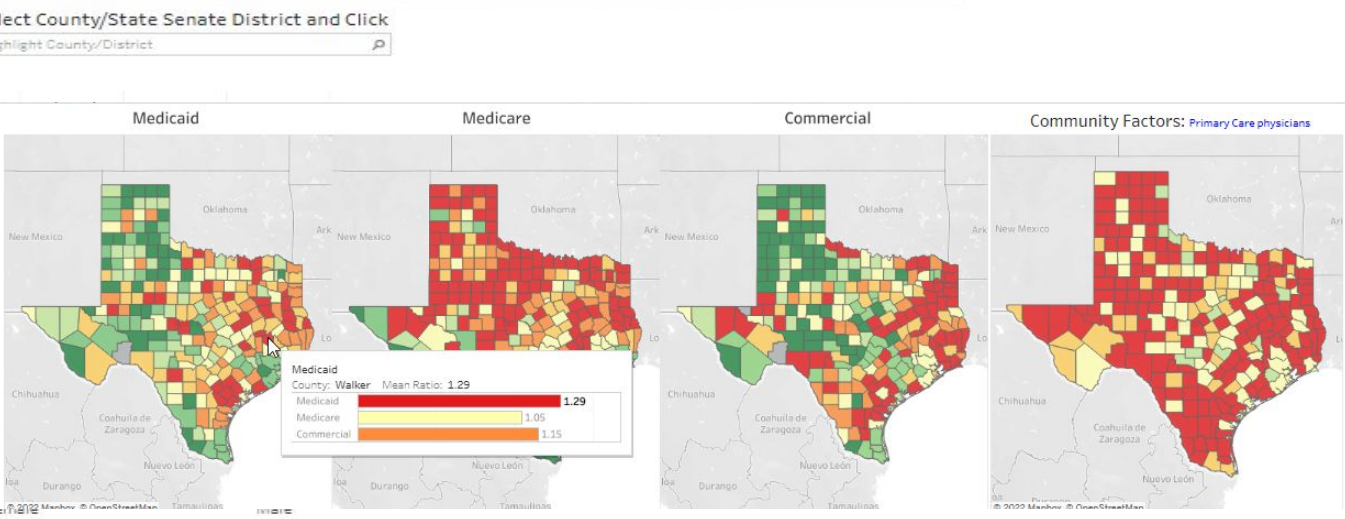
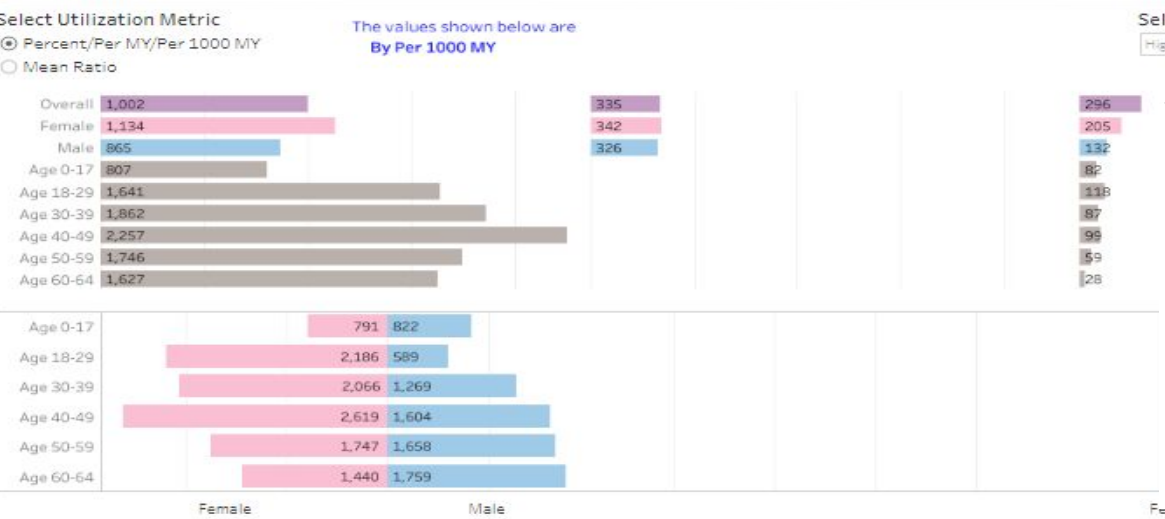
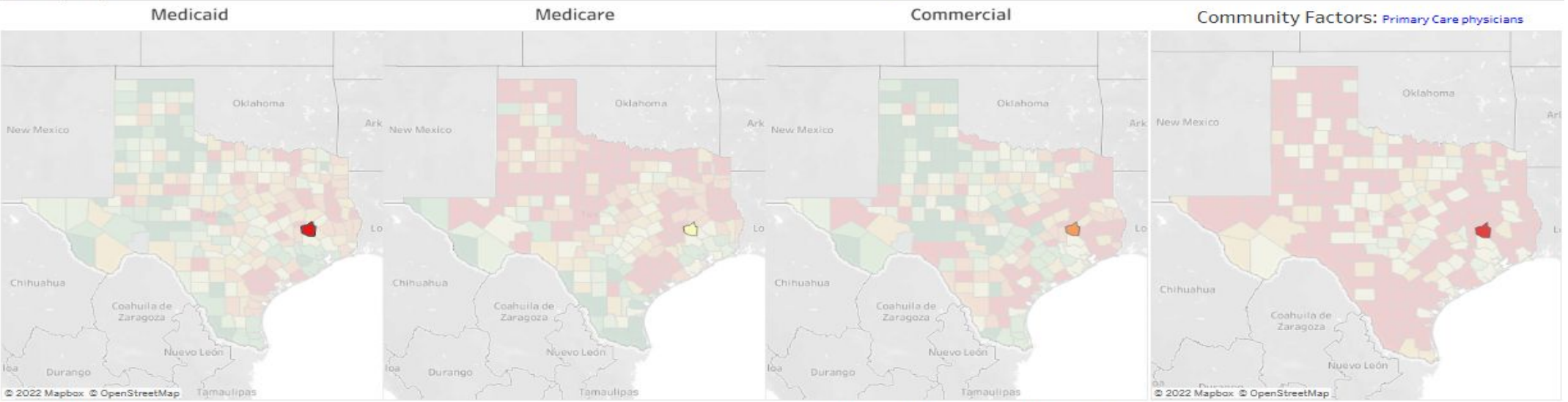
**Utilization Dashboard** Year: © 2019 County or State Senate District: County

**Utilization Measure** (1)  
 Acute Inpatient Stays  
**ER Visits**  
 Observation Stays  
 Outpatient Visits  
 Professional Visits

**Variation from the Texas Mean**  
 < 0.75  
 0.75 - 0.84  
 0.85 - 0.94  
 0.95 - 1.04  
 1.05 - 1.14  
 1.15 - 1.24  
 > 1.24

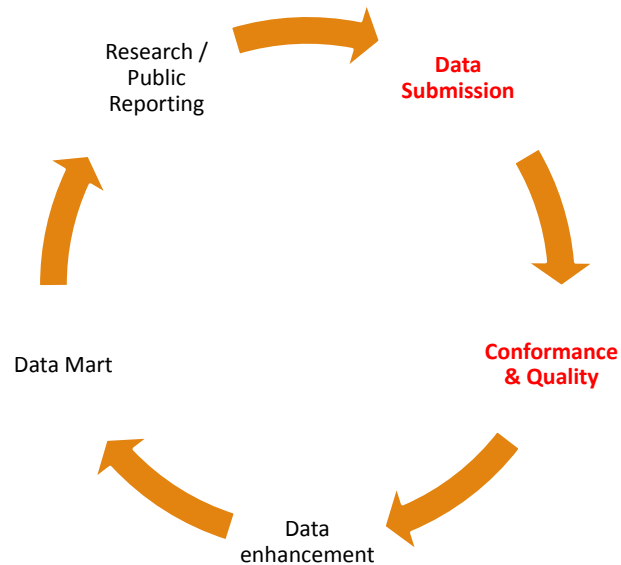
**Select Community Factor** (1)  
 Primary Care physicians

**Community Factors**  
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# APCD Project Phases

APCD is currently focused on **Phase I** objectives: Data Submission and Conformance/Quality Checks.

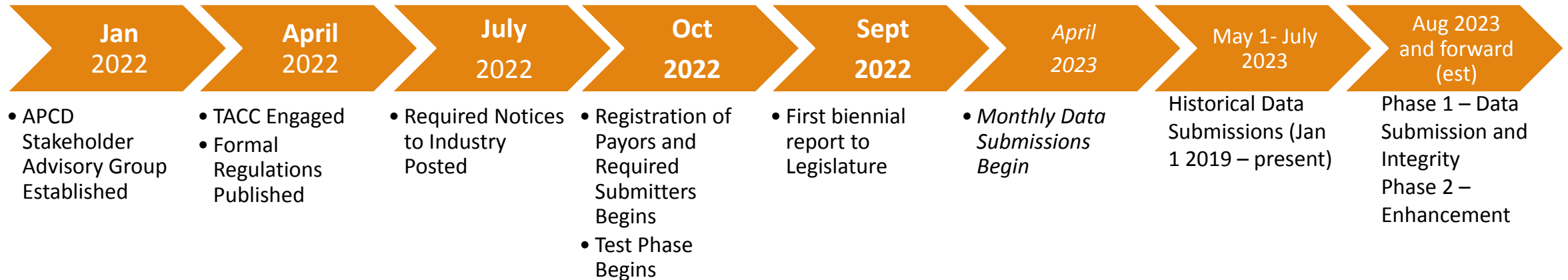


## Three Technical Phases:

1. *Data Submission*
  - *Submission portal*
    - *Registration*
    - *Notifications*
    - *Service Desk*
  - *Automation*
    - *Movement of files from submission to receipt.*
  - *Conformance & Quality*
    - *Conformance Rules*
    - *Quality Checks*
    - *Exception Logic*
2. Data Enhancement
  - Creation of Provider and Patient Indexes to permit research as individuals change health plans and coverage.
3. Data “Marts”
  - Development and maintenance of the public access portal so the public may benefit from the TX-APCD – Making the data available to researchers.



# Milestones and Progress



# APCD Benefits

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**Transparency:** The TX-APCD provides transparency in health care costs and utilization, which can help patients make more informed decisions about their health care.

**Fiscal Responsibility:** The TX-APCD can be used to identify cost drivers to help patients and health care providers reduce costs and improve the affordability of health care.

**Quality Improvement:** The TX-APCD can be used to track the performance of health care providers and systems, in the aggregate, which can help identify opportunities for quality improvement.

**Research:** The TX-APCD is a valuable resource for researchers to study health care trends and patterns, as well as evaluate the effectiveness of health care interventions.

**Public Health:** The TX-APCD can provide disease prevalence and incidence surveillance to help identify potential health threats to Texans and track the spread of infectious diseases.

**Policy Making:** The data from the TX-APCD can be used to inform health policy decisions and help to identify areas of the health care system that may require additional resources or attention.