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The MolinaCares Accord Hosts Panel on Senior Care in a Post-Pandemic Texas

Representative Dr. Tom Oliverson to provide remarks before panelists discuss COVID-19's impact on senior care, access to care for underserved populations, and mental health

WHAT:

[The MolinaCares Accord](#) ("MolinaCares"), in collaboration with Molina Healthcare of Texas ("Molina"), will host its first in a series of virtual panels addressing senior care in a post-pandemic Texas.

Titled *Senior Care in Underserved Populations*, the panel will address topics including COVID-19's impact on senior care over the past year, access to healthcare services and mental health resources, and reaching the underinsured and the uninsured.

WHO:

- Host: Kelsey Letcher, interim plan president of Molina Healthcare of Texas
- Welcome Remarks: Dr. Tom Oliverson, state representative and chairman of the Texas House Insurance Committee
- Moderator: Scott Braddock, editor of *Harvey Kronberg's Quorum Report*
- Panelists:
 - Angela M. Goins, lecturer of social work in the Social Work Program under the College of Public Service at the University of Houston-Downtown
 - Chamane Barrow, executive director of Coalition for Barrier Free Living, Houston Center for Independent Living (HCIL), Brazoria County CIL-Angleton and Fort Bend CIL-Sugar Land
 - Lex Frieden, professor of biomedical informatics and professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth), adjunct professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation at Baylor College of Medicine, director of Independent Living Research Utilization (ILRU) Program at TIRR Memorial Hermann in Houston

WHERE: Zoom link will be provided upon [RSVP](#)

WHEN: Wednesday, June 30, 2021 | 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. CST

WHY: The COVID-19 pandemic has touched every level of society, and over the past year, the impact on seniors in Texas and across the country has been profound. From the forced social isolation to family members succumbing to illness to the economic and familial stresses of the crisis, the short and long-term effects on our seniors remain to be seen.

As Texas returns to normalcy, MolinaCares is hosting a panel to look back at how COVID-19 has affected the underserved, especially the aging population, and to discuss how healthcare, academia, government, and community-based organizations can work together to meet the needs of our growing senior population.

About the MolinaCares Accord:

Established by Molina Healthcare, Inc., The MolinaCares Accord oversees a community investment platform created to improve the health and well-being of disadvantaged populations by funding meaningful, measurable, and innovative programs and solutions that improve health, life, and living in local communities.

About Molina Healthcare of Texas:

Molina Healthcare of Texas has been providing government-funded health care since 2006. The Company serves members through Medicaid, CHIP, Medicare, Medicare-Medicaid (Duals) and Health Insurance

Exchange programs, with service areas across Texas. Molina Healthcare, Inc., a FORTUNE 500 company, served approximately 4.6 million members as of March 31, 2021. For more information about Molina Healthcare of Texas, visit [MolinaHealthcare.com](https://www.molinahealthcare.com).

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