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## PDN CHILDREN'S CEO AL VELARDE NAMED TO STATE BOARD

*(November 4, 2019)* - El Paso, Texas. We wish to congratulate our CEO, Al Velarde, on being appointed to the Texas State Medicaid Managed Care Advisory Committee (SMMCAC). The SMMCAC looks at a variety of issues to include; program design and benefits, systemic concerns from consumers and providers, efficiency and quality of services delivered by Medicaid managed care organizations and other matters.

Mr. Velarde joins Xavier Banales, CEO of Project Amistad, who has also been recently appointed, to represent interests of the El Paso community with this very important committee. We wish Al and Xavier the best as they work for the people of our community.

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### About Paso del Norte Children's Development Center

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