



OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL  
TEXAS HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

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INSPECTOR GENERAL

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Ms. Patricia Rosenlund, Executive Director  
Easter Seals Rio Grande Valley (RGV)  
1217 W. Houston Avenue  
McAllen, TX 78501

Dear Ms. Rosenlund,

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Office of Inspector General (OIG) Audit Division conducted an audit of Easter Seals Rio Grande Valley (RGV), a Texas non-profit corporation.

The objectives of this audit were to determine whether (a) controls over contract funds for salaries, mileage reimbursements, and fringe benefits were in place and operating effectively and (b) data reported to the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) was accurate, supported, and in accordance with contract terms for:

- The expected average number of families served in the Healthy Outcomes through Prevention and Early Support (HOPES) program monthly
- Children attending recommended well-child visits
- The expected number of families served annually in the Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) program

The audit scope included the DFPS contracts for both the HOPES and MIECHV programs in effect September 1, 2017, through August 31, 2019, contractor performance, and internal controls over salaries and related expenses.

The OIG Audit Division conducted this audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for the issues and conclusions based on our audit objectives. The OIG Audit Division believes that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our issues and conclusions based on our audit objectives.

We did not identify any significant reportable issues, and as such, we are not making any recommendations.

Thank you for your cooperation during this audit.

Sincerely,

Audrey O'Neill, CIA, CFE, CGAP  
Deputy Inspector General for Audit