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Good afternoon,

The DSHS Contract Management Section (CMS) is in the process of amending our contract with your organization, to revise the current statement of work based on the passage of Rider 40 during the 88th Texas Regular Legislative Session. Rider 40 goes into effect on September 1, 2023 and prohibits the use of DSHS funds to promote or advertise COVID-19 vaccinations.

You are authorized to continue to promote, advertise, educate, and conduct outreach efforts in a general way, for all recommended vaccines. Rider 40 is effective 09/01/2023 and we ask that you sign and return the contract amendment prior to this date, if at all possible, to ensure compliance with this Rider. As we work through these amendments if you have questions on specific activities, please forward to your contract manager.

Thanks,  
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