NO. 16-0549

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

DR. BEHZAD NAZARI, D.D.S., ET AL
Petitioners,
v.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
Respondents,
v.

ACS STATE HEALTHCARE, LLC
Respondents.

On Petition for Review from the
Third Court of Appeals, Austin, Texas
Cause No. 03-15-00252-CV

PETITIONERS' ORAL ARGUMENT BENCH BOOK

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TAB 1

(d) *Who may receive payment.* Payment may be made only—

(1) To the provider; or

(2) To the beneficiary if he is a noncash beneficiary eligible to receive the payment under § 447.25; or

(3) In accordance with paragraphs (e), (f), and (g) of this section.

(e) *Reassignments.* Payment may be made in accordance with a reassignment from the provider to a government agency or reassignment by a court order.

(f) *Business agents.* Payment may be made to a business agent, such as a billing service or an accounting firm, that furnishes statements and receives payments in the name of the provider, if the agent's compensation for this service is—

(1) Related to the cost of processing the billing;

(2) Not related on a percentage or other basis to the amount that is billed or collected; and

(3) Not dependent upon the collection of the payment.

(g) *Individual practitioners.* Payment may be made to—

(1) The employer of the practitioner, if the practitioner is required as a condition of employment to turn over his fees to the employer;

(2) The facility in which the service is provided, if the practitioner has a contract under which the facility submits the claim; or

(3) A foundation, plan, or similar organization operating an organized health care delivery system, if the practitioner has a contract under which the organization submits the claim.

(4) In the case of a class of practitioners for which the Medicaid program is the primary source of service revenue, payment may be made to a third party on behalf of the individual practitioner for benefits such as health insurance, skills training and other benefits customary for employees.

(h) *Prohibition of payment to factors.* Payment for any service furnished to a beneficiary by a provider may not be made to or through a factor, either directly or by power of attorney.

[43 FR 45253, Sept. 29, 1978, as amended at 46 FR 42672, Aug. 24, 1981; 61 FR 38398, July 24, 1996; 79 FR 3039, Jan. 16, 2014]

§ 447.15 Acceptance of State payment as payment in full.

A State plan must provide that the Medicaid agency must limit participation in the Medicaid program to providers who accept, as payment in full, the amounts paid by the agency plus any deductible, coinsurance or copayment required by the plan to be paid by the individual. The provider may only deny services to any eligible individual on account of the individual's inability to pay the cost sharing amount imposed by the plan in accordance with § 447.52(e). The previous sentence does not apply to an individual who is able to pay. An individual's inability to pay does not eliminate his or her liability for the cost sharing charge.

[78 FR 42307, July 15, 2013]

§ 447.20 Provider restrictions: State plan requirements.

A State plan must provide for the following:

(a) In the case of an individual who is eligible for medical assistance under the plan for service(s) for which a third party or parties is liable for payment, if the total amount of the established liability of the third party or parties for the service is—

(1) Equal to or greater than the amount payable under the State plan (which includes, when applicable, cost-sharing payments provided for in §§ 447.52 through 447.54), the provider furnishing the service to the individual may not seek to collect from the individual (or any financially responsible relative or representative of that individual) any payment amount for that service; or

(2) Less than the amount payable under the State plan (including cost sharing payments set forth in §§ 447.52 through 447.54), the provider furnishing the service to that individual may collect from the individual (or any financially responsible relative or representative of the individual) an amount which is the lesser of—

(i) Any cost-sharing payment amount imposed upon the individual under §§ 447.52 through 447.54; or

(ii) An amount which represents the difference between the amount payable under the State plan (which includes,

where applicable, cost-sharing payments provided for in §§ 447.52 through 447.54) and the total of the established third party liability for the services.

(b) A provider may not refuse to furnish services covered under the plan to an individual who is eligible for medical assistance under the plan on account of a third party's potential liability for the service(s).

[55 FR 1433, Jan. 16, 1990, as amended at 78 FR 42307, July 15, 2013]

HHSC Medicaid Provider Agreement

Name of Provider Diane Malone TPI Number 1425399-03

Medicare Provider ID Number none

Physical Address 3545 Roosevelt ave
San Antonio Tx 78214

Accounting/Billing Address (if applicable) 4939 De Zavala Rd Ste 102
San Antonio Tx 78249

As a condition for participation as a provider under the Texas Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid), the provider (Provider) agrees to comply with all terms and conditions of this Agreement.

I. ALL PROVIDERS

1.1 **Agreement and documents constituting Agreement.**

A CD of the current *Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual* (Provider Manual) has been or will be furnished to the Provider. The Provider Manual, all revisions made to the Provider Manual through the bimonthly update entitled *Texas Medicaid Bulletin*, and written notices are incorporated into this Agreement by reference. **The Provider Manual, bulletins and notices may be accessed via the internet at www.tmhp.com. Providers may obtain a copy of the manual by calling 1-800-925-9126.** Provider has a duty to become educated and knowledgeable with the contents and procedures contained in the Provider Manual. Provider agrees to comply with all of the requirements of the Provider Manual, as well as all state and federal laws governing or regulating Medicaid, and provider further acknowledges and agrees that the provider is responsible for ensuring that all employees and agents of the provider also comply. Provider is specifically responsible for ensuring that the provider and all employees and agents of the Provider comply with the requirements of Title 1, Part 15, Chapter 371 of the Texas Administrative Code, related to waste, abuse and fraud, and provider acknowledges and agrees that the provider and its principals will be held responsible for violations of this agreement through any acts or omissions of the provider, its employees, and its agents. For purposes of this agreement, a principal of the provider includes all owners with a direct or indirect ownership or control interest of 5 percent or more, all corporate officers and directors, all limited and non-limited partners, and all shareholders of a legal entity, including a professional corporation, professional association, or limited liability company. Principals of the provider further include managing employee(s) or agents who exercise operational or managerial control or who directly or indirectly manage the conduct of day-to-day operations.

1.2 **State and Federal regulatory requirements.**

1.2.1 By signing this agreement, Provider certifies that the provider and it's principals have not been excluded, suspended, debarred, revoked or any other synonymous action from participation in any program under Title XVIII (Medicare), Title XIX (Medicaid), or under the provisions of Executive Order 12549, relating to federal contracting. Provider further certifies that the provider and its principals have also not been excluded, suspended, debarred, revoked or any other synonymous action from participation in any other state or federal healthcare program. Provider must notify the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) or its agent within 10 business days of the time it receives notice that any action is being taken against Provider or any person defined under the provisions of Section 1128(A) or (B) of the Social Security Act (42 USC §1320a-7), which could result in exclusion from the Medicaid program. Provider agrees to fully comply at all times with the requirements of 45 CFR Part 76, relating to eligibility for federal contracts and grants.

1.2.5 Nondiscrimination. Provider must not exclude or deny aid, care, service, or other benefits available under Medicaid or in any other way discriminate against a person because of that person's race, color, national origin, gender, age, disability, political or religious affiliation or belief. Provider must provide services to Medicaid clients in the same manner, by the same methods, and at the same level and quality as provided to the general public. Provider agrees to grant Medicaid recipients all discounts and promotional offers provided to the general public. Provider agrees and understands that free services to the general public must not be billed to the Medicaid program for Medicaid recipients and discounted services to the general public must not be billed to Medicaid for a Medicaid recipient as a full price, but rather the Provider agrees to bill only the discounted amount that would be billed to the general public.

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1.2.7 Child Support. (1) The Texas Family Code §231.006 requires HHSC to withhold contract payments from any entity or individual who is at least 30 days delinquent in court-ordered child support obligations. It is the Provider's responsibility to determine and verify that no owner, partner, or shareholder who has at least 25 percent ownership interest is delinquent in any child support obligation. (2) Under Section 231.006 of the Family Code, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in the applicable contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this Agreement may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate. A child support obligor who is more than 30 days delinquent in paying child support or a business entity in which the obligor is a sole proprietor, partner, shareholder, or owner with an ownership interest of at least 25 percent is not eligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment. (3) If HHSC is informed and verifies that a child support obligor who is more than 30 days delinquent is a partner, shareholder, or owner with at least a 25 percent ownership interest, it will withhold any payments due under this Agreement until it has received satisfactory evidence that the obligation has been satisfied.

1.2.8 Cost Report, Audit and Inspection. Provider agrees to comply with all state and federal laws relating to the preparation and filing of cost reports, audit requirements, and inspection and monitoring of facilities, quality, utilization, and records..

1.3 Claims and encounter data.

1.3.1 Provider agrees to submit claims for payment in accordance with billing guidelines and procedures promulgated by HHSC, or other appropriate payor, including electronic claims. Provider certifies that information submitted regarding claims or encounter data will be true, accurate, and complete, and that the Provider's records and documents are both accessible and validate the services and the need for services billed and represented as provided. Further, Provider understands that any falsification or concealment of a material fact may be prosecuted under state and federal laws.

1.3.2 Provider must submit encounter data required by HHSC or any managed care organization to document services provided, even if the Provider is paid under a capitated fee arrangement by a Health Maintenance Organization or Insurance Payment Assistance.

1.3.3 All claims or encounters submitted by Provider must be for services actually rendered by Provider. Physician providers must submit claims for services rendered by another in accordance with HHSC rules regarding providers practicing under physician supervision. Claims must be submitted in the manner and in the form set forth in the Provider Manual, and within the time limits established by HHSC for submission of claims. Claims for payment or encounter data submitted by the provider to an HMO or IPA are governed by the Provider's contract with the HMO or IPA. Provider understands and agrees that HHSC is not liable or responsible for payment for any Medicaid-covered services provided under the HMO or IPA Provider contract, or any agreement other than this Medicaid Provider Agreement

1.3.4 Federal and state law prohibits Provider from charging a client or any financially responsible relative or representative of the client for Medicaid-covered services, except where a co-payment is authorized under the Medicaid State Plan (42 CFR §447.20)

1.3.5 As a condition of eligibility for Medicaid benefits, a client assigns to HHSC all rights to recover from any third party or any other source of payment (42 CFR §433.145 and Human Resources Code §32.033). Except as provided by HHSC's third-party recovery rules (Texas Administrative Code Title 1 Part 15 Chapter 354 Subchapter J), Provider agrees to accept the amounts paid under Medicaid as payment in full for all covered services (42 CFR §447.15).

4.5.6 Frequently Asked Questions About Dental Claims

Q Why is routine dental treatment not a benefit when performed at the same visit as an emergency visit?

A The following are reasons routine dental treatment is not a benefit when performed at the same visit as an emergency visit:

- The purpose of an emergency claim is to allow the provider to treat a true emergency without the concern that routine dental procedures may be denied.
- Medicaid program policy guidelines do not allow payment for both emergency and routine services to the same provider at the same visit. True emergency claims process through the audit system correctly when "emergency" is checked on either the paper or electronic claim and the Remarks or Narrative section of the claim form describes the nature of the emergency.

Q Why are some claims for oral exams and emergency exams on the same date for the same client denied?

A Medicaid program policy does not allow claims for an initial oral exam and an emergency exam to be submitted for the same DOS for the same client. An emergency exam performed by the same provider in the same six-month time period as an initial exam may be considered for reimbursement only when the claim for the emergency exam indicates it is an emergency and the emergency block is marked and the Remarks or Narrative section is completed. If the claim is not marked as an emergency, the claim will be denied.

Q How are orthodontic bracket replacements reimbursed? Can the client be charged for bracket replacements?

A The provider must use orthodontic procedure code D8690 to claim reimbursement for bracket replacement. Medical necessity must be documented in the client record. Payment is subject to retrospective review. The client with current Medicaid eligibility must not be charged for bracket replacement. If the provider charges the client erroneously, the provider must refund any amount paid by the client.

Q Why could an appeal of a denied claim take a long time?

A An appeal can take a long time if TMHP is required to research the denied claim and determine the reason the claim did not go through the system. For faster results, providers should submit appeals as soon as possible and not use the entire 120 days allowed to submit the appeal.
The following are guidelines on filing claims efficiently:

- Use R&S Report dates to track filed claims.
- File claims electronically through TMHP EDI. Electronic claims submission does not allow a claim with an incorrect date to be accepted and processed, which saves time for the provider submitting claims and TMHP in processing claims. Call 1-888-863-3638, for more information about TMHP EDI.
- File claims with the correct information included. Most denied claims result from the omission of dates, signature, or narrative, or incorrect ID numbers such as client Medicaid numbers or provider identifiers.

Q Why are only ten appeals allowed per call?

A There is a limit on appeals per call to allow all providers equal access.

Q Why do reimbursement checks sometimes take a long time to arrive?

A Reimbursement may be delayed if a provider fails to submit claims in a timely manner.

Q Does electronic claims submission result in delayed payment?

A No. Providers who submit claims electronically report faster results than when submitting claims on paper. Providers are encouraged to use TMHP EDI for claims submission.

The following are helpful hints to a more efficiently processed claim:

- Ensure the provider identifier is on all claims.
- Include the performing provider's signature on all paper claims.
- Verify client eligibility for procedures.
- Verify if the procedure code requires a narrative on the claim; the narrative is for medical necessity.
- Include the required client information, including name, birth date, and client number.
- Dental auxiliary staff (i.e., the hygienist or the chairside assistant) cannot enroll in Texas Medicaid; therefore, they cannot submit claims to Texas Medicaid. Any procedure performed by the auxiliary must be submitted by the supervising dentist, using the dentist's provider identifier.

Claim Submission Reminders:

- Procedure code D8660 is allowed at different age levels, per provider. If a claim for procedure code D8660 is submitted within six months of procedure code D8080, procedure code D8080 will be reduced by the amount that was paid for procedure code D8660.
- Prior authorization is required with documentation of medical necessity when replacing lost or broken orthodontic retainers (procedure code D8680). Clients may not be billed for covered services.
- Prior authorization of orthodontic services is nontransferable. If a client changes an orthodontic provider for any reason, or a provider ceases to be a Medicaid provider, the new orthodontic services provider must submit a separate request for prior authorization. The provider requesting and receiving authorization for the service also must perform the service and submit the claim. Codes listed on the authorization letters are the only codes considered for payment. All other codes submitted for payment are denied. Providing the authorization number on the submitted claim results in more efficient claims processing.
- General anesthesia (provided in the dentist office, ambulatory service clinic, and inpatient/outpatient hospital settings) does not require prior authorization, unless the client does not meet the minimum required points for general anesthesia in subsection 4.2.22.1, "Criteria for Dental Therapy Under General Anesthesia" in this handbook. All THSteps dental charts for dental general anesthesia are subject to retrospective, random review for compliance with the Criteria for Dental Therapy Under General Anesthesia and requirements for chart documentation.
- Providers must not bill a client unless a formal denial for the requested item/service has been issued by TMHP stating the service is not a benefit of Texas Medicaid and the client has signed the Client Acknowledgment Statement in advance of the service being provided for that specific item or service. A provider must not bill Medicaid clients if the provided service is a benefit of Texas Medicaid.

Refer to: Subsection 1.5.9.1, "Client Acknowledgment Statement" in Section 1, "Provider Enrollment and Responsibilities" (*Vol. 1, General Information*).

THSteps clients must receive:

- Dental services specified in the treatment plan that meet the standards of care established by the laws relating to the practice of dentistry and the rules and regulations of the TSBDE.
- Dental services free from abuse or harm from the provider or the provider's staff.

- Only the treatment required to address documented medical necessity that meets professionally recognized standards of health care.

Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership

HHSC Medicaid Provider Agreement

Name of provider enrolling:	
Medicaid TPI: *(if applicable)*	**Medicare provider ID number:** *(if applicable)*

Physical address (where health care is rendered): *Providers MUST enter the physical address where the services are rendered to clients. If the accounting, corporate, or mailing address is entered in this physical address field, the application may be denied.*

Number	Street	Suite	City	State	ZIP

Accounting/billing address: *(if applicable)*

Number	Street	Suite	City	State	ZIP

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1.2.2 Provider agrees to disclose information on ownership and control, information related to business transactions, and information on persons convicted of crimes in accordance with 42 CFR Part 455, Subpart B, and provide such information on request to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Texas Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, and the United States Department of Health and Human Services. Provider agrees to keep its application for participation in the Medicaid program current at all times by informing HHSC or its agent in writing of any changes to the information contained in its application, including, but not limited to, changes in ownership or control, federal tax identification number, provider licensure, certification, or accreditation, phone number, or provider business addresses. Changes due to a change of ownership or control interest must be reported to HHSC or its designee within 30 days of the change. All other changes must be reported to HHSC or its designee within 90 days of the change.

Provider agrees to disclose all convictions of Provider or Provider's principals within ten business days of the date of conviction. For purposes of this disclosure, Provider must use the definition of "Convicted" contained in 42 CFR 1001.2, which includes all convictions, deferred adjudications, and all types of pretrial diversion programs. Send the information to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Inspector General, P.O. Box 85211 – Mail Code 1361, Austin, Texas 78708. Fully explain the details, including the offense, the date, the state and county where the conviction occurred, and the cause number(s).

1.2.3 This Agreement is subject to all state and federal laws and regulations relating to fraud, abuse and waste in health care and the Medicaid program. As required by 42 CFR § 431.107, Provider agrees to create and maintain all records necessary to fully disclose the extent and medical necessity of services provided by the Provider to individuals in the Medicaid program and any information relating to payments claimed by the Provider for furnishing Medicaid services. On request, Provider also agrees to provide these records immediately and unconditionally to HHSC, HHSC's

agent, the Texas Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, DARS, DADS, DFPS, DSHS and the United States Department of Health and Human Services. The records must be retained in the form in which they are regularly kept by the Provider for a minimum of five years from the date of service (six years for freestanding rural health clinics and ten years for hospital based rural health clinics); or, until all investigations are resolved and closed, or audit exceptions are resolved; whichever period is longest. Provider must cooperate and assist HHSC and any state or federal agency charged with the duty of identifying, investigating, sanctioning, or prosecuting suspected fraud and abuse. Provider must also allow these agencies and their agents unconditional and unrestricted access to its records and premises as required by Title 1 TAC, §371.1667. Provider understands and agrees that payment for goods and services under this Agreement is conditioned on the existence of all records required to be maintained under the Medicaid program, including all records necessary to fully disclose the extent and medical necessity of services provided, and the correctness of the claim amount paid. If provider fails to create, maintain, or produce such records in full accordance with this Agreement, provider acknowledges, agrees, and understands that the public monies paid the provider for the services are subject to 100 percent recoupment, and that the provider is ineligible for payment for the services either under this Agreement or under any legal theory of equity.

1.2.4 The Texas Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Inspector General, and internal and external auditors for the state and federal government may conduct interviews of Provider employees, agents, subcontractors, and their employees, witnesses, and clients without the Provider's representative or Provider's legal counsel present. Provider's employees, agents, subcontractors and their employees, witnesses, and clients must not be coerced by Provider or Provider's representative to accept representation from or by the Provider, and Provider agrees that no retaliation will occur to a person who denies the Provider's offer of representation. Nothing in this Agreement limits a person's right to counsel of his or her choice. Requests for interviews are to be complied with in the form and the manner requested. Provider will ensure by contract or other means that its agents, employees and subcontractors cooperate fully in any investigation conducted by the Texas Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit or the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Inspector General or its designee. Subcontractors include those persons and entities that provide medical or dental goods or services for which the Provider bills the Medicaid program, and those who provide billing, administrative, or management services in connection with Medicaid-covered services.

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TAB 2

CASE LAW WHERE COUNTERCLAIMS WERE PROPER

Case	Gov'ts "enforcement" claim	Proper Counterclaims
Anderson, Clayton & Co. v. State ex rel. Allred, 62 S.W.2d 107 (Tex. 1933)	Penalties and an injunction to stop illegal/unpermitted trucking operations	Plaintiffs counter sued seeking temporary injunctive relief, and ultimately permanent relief from harassment by agency employees.
Kinnear v. Texas Commission on Human Rights, 14 S.W.3d 299 (Tex. 2000)	TCHR filed suit alleging Kinnear violated the Texas Fair Housing Act by seeking an injunction .	Kinnear requested court costs and attorney's fees.
State v. Gonzalez, 2006 WL 2134643 (Tex.App.—San Antonio 2006, no pet.)	Seizure and forfeiture of contraband pursuant to chapter 59 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure	A bill of review, contesting an agreed judgment of seizure and forfeiture of $10,032.
City of Dallas v. Albert, 354 S.W.3d 368 (Tex. 2011)	Claims to recover alleged overpayments to police officers.	Police officers and Fire Fighters sued for declaratory judgment and breach of contract.
Bandera County v. Hollingsworth, 419 S.W.3d 639 (Tex.App.—San Antonio 2013, no pet.)	Foreclosing on tax lien against taxpayers' property and to recovery delinquent property taxes, interest, penalties, costs, and attorney fees.	Taxpayers filed counterclaim seeking declaratory judgment ruling that parties had entered into enforceable settlement agreement and declaring amount of tax, penalty, interest due, and attorney fees.

Case	Gov'ts "enforcement" claim	Proper Counterclaims
Redburn v. Garrett, 2013 WL 2149699 (Tex.App.—Corpus Christi 2013, pet denied)	City intervened, filed cross claims for statutory penalties pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Texas Local Government Code, court costs and attorney's fees, injunctive relief requiring removal of obstruction, and declaratory judgment regarding the City's easement.	Claims against City for declaratory judgment; sought damages and injunctive relief
City of McKinney v. Hank's Rest. Group, L.P., 412 S.W.3d 102 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2013, no pet.)	Attorney fees incurred in securing declaratory and injunctive relief for violations of numerous code ordinances	Declaratory, injunctive, and monetary relief.
City of New Braunfels v. Carowest Land, Ltd., 432 S.W.3d 501 (Tex. App.—Austin 2014, no pet.)	Breaches of contract related to a multi-million dollar public works projects to prevent flooding, and related easements.	Money damages including inverse condemnation, violation of due process, conversion, fraud and conspiracy to commit conversion and fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, and tortious interference with an agreement. Carowest sought declaratory judgment violations of the Texas Open Meetings Act, and voiding a contract. Carowest further sought attorney's fees under the UDJA.

Case	Gov'ts "enforcement" claim	Proper Counterclaims
Archer Group , LLC v. City of Anahuac, 472 S.W.3d 370 (Tex.App.-Houston [1st Dist.] 2015)	Money paid by mistake, money had and received, and civil theft; exemplary damages for fraud, malice, or gross negligence.	Breach of written contract as a third party beneficiary, breach of oral contract, breach of duties that arose under contract and tort law, quantum meruit, fraudulent inducement, promissory estoppel or detrimental reliance, and declaratory relief.
City of Conroe v. TP Property LLC, 480 S.W.3d 545 (Tex. App.—Beaumont 2015, no pet.)	City sued for the collection of ad valorem property taxes and hotel occupancy taxes, together with statutory penalties, interest, and attorney's fees.	Sought damages on breach of agreements, additionally seeking a court order compelling specific performance and declaratory relief regarding the parties' rights, status, and legal relationship.
City of Rio Grande City v. BFI Waste Services of Texas, LP, 2016 WL 5112224 (Tex.App.—San Antonio, 2016, pet. filed)	Breach of contract, quantum meruit, promissory estoppel, and fraud.	Breach of contract, restraint of trade, civil conspiracy, misuse of official information, abuse of office, tortious interference, violations of the contracts clause and due course of law clause of the Texas Constitution, and violations of the contracts clause and Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served by eFile TX on February 5, 2018 to the following:

Raymond C. Winter
Chief, Civil Medicaid Fraud Division
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