



Task Force of Border Health Officials (TFBHO)

AGENDA

April 9, 2025
1:00 p.m.

Meeting Site:

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)
Robert D. Moreton Building
Room M-100, First Floor
1100 West 49th Street
Austin, Texas 78756

Texas Penal Code Section 46.03(a)(14) states: "A person commits an offense if the person intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly possesses or goes with a firearm, location-restricted knife, club, or prohibited weapon listed in Section 46.05(a) ... in the room or rooms where a meeting of a governmental entity is held, if the meeting is an open meeting subject to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, and if the entity provided notice as required by that chapter."

Please note that this meeting is an open meeting subject to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. In addition, **please note** that the written communication required by Texas Penal Code Section 46.15(o), prohibiting firearms and other weapons prohibited under Section 46.03, will be posted at the entrances to this meeting.

This meeting will be webcast. Members of the public may attend the meeting in person at the address above or access a live stream of the meeting at <https://texashhsm meetings.org/HHSWebcast>. Select the tab for the Moreton M-100 Live on the date and time for this meeting. Please e-mail Webcasting@hhsc.state.tx.us if you have any problems with the webcasting function.

This meeting will also be conducted via videoconference call in accordance with the requirements of Section 551.127, Texas Government Code. The member of the TFBHO presiding over the meeting will be physically present at the location specified above.

Meeting Notice: The use of artificial intelligence (AI) bots is prohibited in this meeting. In accordance with HHS policy, the use of Artificial Intelligence also known as "AI" Notetakers is expressly prohibited. Producers will not admit a 'bot' or other autonomous agent into the meeting. If a 'bot' should inadvertently gain entrance, it will be removed from the meeting by one of our producers.

Attendees who would like to provide public comment should see the **Public Comment** section below.

1. Call to order, welcome, Chair remarks, meeting logistics, and roll call
2. Consideration of February 12, 2025, draft meeting minutes
3. Wastewater surveillance in Laredo
4. Challenges to tuberculosis control in the border region
5. Discussion and update about TFBHO next steps
6. Public comment
7. Closing remarks, thank you, and adjourn

The TFBHO may take any action on any agenda item.

Public Comment: DSHS, together with Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), welcomes public comments pertaining to topics above. Members of the public who would like to provide public comment may choose from the following options:

1. **Oral comments provided virtually:** Members of the public must pre-register to provide oral comments virtually during the meeting by completing a Public Comment Registration form at https://texashhsmeetings.org/TFBHO_PCReg_APR2025 no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2025. Please mark the correct box on the Public Comment Registration form and provide your name, either the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen, and your direct phone number. If you have completed the Public Comment Registration form, you will receive an email the day before the meeting with instructions for providing virtual public comment. Public comment is limited to three minutes. Each speaker providing oral public comments virtually must ensure their face is visible and their voice audible to the other participants while they are speaking. Each speaker must state their name and on whose behalf they are speaking (if anyone). If you pre-register to speak and wish to provide a handout before the meeting, please submit an electronic copy in accessible PDF format that will be distributed by HHS staff to TFBHO members and State staff. Handouts are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Handouts must be emailed to OBPH@dshs.texas.gov immediately after pre-registering, but no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2025. and include the name of the person who will be commenting. Do not include health or other confidential information in your comments or handouts. Staff will not read handouts aloud during the meeting, but handouts will be provided to TFBHO members and State staff.
2. **Written comments:** Members of the public may provide written public comments by completing a Public Comment Registration form at https://texashhsmeetings.org/TFBHO_PCReg_APR2025. A member of the public who wishes to provide written public comments must email the comments to OBPH@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2025. Please include your name and the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen. Written comments must be emailed to DSHS immediately after pre-registering and include the name of the person who will be commenting. Written comments are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Do not include health or other confidential information in your comments. Staff will not read written comments aloud during the meeting, but comments will be provided to TFBHO members and HHS staff.
3. **Oral comments provided in-person at the meeting location:** Members of the public may provide oral public comment during the meeting in person at the meeting location either by pre-registering using the form above or without pre-registering by completing a form at the entrance to the meeting room. Do not include health or other confidential information in your comments.

Note: These procedures may be revised at the discretion of HHSC.

Contact: Questions regarding agenda items, content, or meeting arrangements should be directed to Guillermo Zenizo Lindsey at 512-865-7380 or guillermo.zenizolindsey@dshs.texas.gov.

This meeting is open to the public. No reservations are required, and there is no cost to attend this meeting.

People who want to attend the meeting and require assistive technology or services should contact Guillermo Zenizo Lindsey at 512-865-7380 or guillermo.zenizolindsey@dshs.texas.gov at least 72 hours before the meeting so appropriate arrangements may be made.