

AGENDA

Public Health Region 4/5N Antimicrobial Stewardship Regional Advisory Committee (ASRAC)

Thursday, April 4, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Location: There is no physical location for this meeting and will be conducted online only, using the Microsoft Teams platform. To join the meeting, go to:

https://texashhsmeetings.org/ASRAC_Reg4-5_April2024

The meeting ID is: 225 189 813 318 with passcode NFwfBp. Participants can download the Teams application or join on the web:

<https://www.microsoft.com/microsoft-teams/join-a-meeting>. The call-in option is audio only and accessible by calling (512)-580-4366 with phone conference ID: 320 855 449#. Closed captioning for this meeting is available. Viewers are asked to highlight the closed captioning symbol "**cc**" on the bottom of their viewing screen to enable this function. A recording of this meeting will be available here:

<https://www.hhs.texas.gov/about/live-archived-meetings>.

1. Welcome, call to order, and roll call
2. Consideration of September 19, 2023, draft meeting minutes
3. Goals and plans for committee:
 - a. Address family education/training and physician resistance to Antimicrobial Stewardship (AS)
 - b. Collaborating and assisting with nursing homes
 - c. Updates on antibiograms
4. Nurse empowerment and support with AS
5. Public comment
6. Set next meeting date
7. Adjourn

The committee may act on any agenda item.

Public Comment: The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) welcomes public comments pertaining to topics related to Public Health Region 4/5N Antimicrobial Stewardship Regional Advisory Committee. Members of the public who would like to provide public comment are asked to complete a Public Comment Form <https://forms.office.com/r/wMvVz1DC01>.

Members of the public are encouraged to participate in this process by providing written public comments to DSHS by emailing antibioticstewardship@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 1,

2024. Please include your name and the organization you are representing, or if you are speaking as a private citizen.

If you would like to register to provide oral comments, please mark the correct box on the registration form. Instructions for providing oral comments will be emailed to you with the information about joining the meeting. Registration must be completed no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 1, 2024. Members of the public may also use the Microsoft Teams Live Event Q&A section to submit a request to provide public comments. The request must contain your name and the organization you are representing, or if you are speaking as a private citizen as well as your direct phone number.

Public comment is limited to three minutes per person. Speakers must state their name, affiliation, and whom they represent. Public members who are using handouts are asked to provide an electronic copy in accessible pdf format that will be distributed by DSHS staff to committee members, State staff and for public distribution. Handouts are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only) of documentation. Handouts must be emailed to antibioticstewardship@dshs.texas.gov immediately after registering and include the name of the person who will be commenting. It is not permissible for public speakers to interject or ask questions to committee members during the rest of the meeting.

Contact: Questions regarding agenda items, content, or meeting arrangements should be directed to antibioticstewardship@dshs.texas.gov.

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

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