

## **Promotor(a) or Community Health Worker Administrative Rules 25 Texas Administrative Code §146.1- §146.8**

### **Summary of Changes**

1. Edits to definitions.
2. Material developed by DSHS or HHSC directly certified by the department.
3. Details for training program application, as well as for CHW and Instructor renewal requirements, moved to policy.
4. Modifications to sections §146.7 Professional and Ethical Standards and §146.8 Enforcement.

#### **Committee §146.3:**

5. Removal of Committee recommendation of training programs – not part of tasks outlined in statute.
6. Committee composition changed to have 5 CHW members, 1 public member, 1 higher education member, 2 professional members.
7. Member terms expire August 31.
8. A Committee Officer position must be occupied by a CHW member.
9. Quarterly meetings for Committee.

#### **Training Programs §146.4:**

10. Training programs must provide certification courses on an annual basis and continuing education courses at least once per certification cycle, as applicable.
11. Failure to provide training during certification cycle shall result in denial of certification renewal.

#### **CHW Instructors §146.5:**

12. Training or Experience must be from previous 3 years.
13. Changes to denial: can reapply if denied due to incomplete application or insufficient experience. Can request fair hearing if denied for reason other than the previously mentioned.
14. Must be affiliated with an approved training program to provide DSHS-certified training.
15. Extension changed to 90 days.

#### **Promotores/CHWs §146.6:**

16. CHW certification eligible at 16 years old.
17. Training or Experience must be from previous 3 years.
18. Changes to denial: can reapply if denied due to incomplete application or insufficient experience. Can request fair hearing if denied for reason other than the previously mentioned.
19. Extension changed to 90 days.