

**TEXAS IMMUNIZATION STAKEHOLDER WORKING GROUP (TISWG)
FEBRUARY 3, 2005
MEETING SUMMARY**

1. Participants:

Ardas Khalsa, Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)
Barry Lachman, M.D., Texas Association of Health Plans (TAHP)
Bonnie Voss, Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS)
Brenda Ortiz, Texas Medical Foundation (TMF)
Dorothy Chesley, Health Ministry Association (HMA)
Dorothy Crawford, Texas Health Care Association (THCA)
Jason V. Terk, M.D., Texas Pediatric Society (TPS)
Kathy Moore, Texas Association of Local Health Officials (TALHO)
Kim Roberson, Texas Pharmacy Association (TPA)
Madeline Gill, Texas Medical Foundation (TMF)
Maria Kassabaum, Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)
Mona Izquierdo, Texas Education Agency/Communities in Schools (TEA/CIS)
Roger Alford, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB)
Shelley Bjorkman, Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)
Stephanie Tabone, Texas Nurses Association (TNA)

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff:

Ms. Robin Scott, Facilitator; Diane Romnes, PHR7, Linda Brumble, Women Infants, and Children (WIC), Marie Garland, WIC, Patti Fitch, WIC.

DSHS-Disease Prevention and Intervention Section (DPI) staff:

Casey Blass, David Scott, Jack Sims, Vivian Williams-Harris, Victoria Brice, Cindy Morgan, Anita Freeman, Karen Hess, Claude Longoria, Lupe Garcia, Susan Nunnery.

2. Welcome and Introduction of DSHS Staff:

- David Scott, Manager, Services and Data Coordination Group, welcomed all attendees.
- Kim Roberson, Texas Pharmacy Association was acknowledged for use of the facilities and refreshments.
- Mr. Scott also gave a brief explanation of the purpose and where TISWG is now headed. He announced this meeting would serve as the TISWG six-month check up.
- Casey Blass, Jack Sims, and DSHS staff, were introduced.

3. Introduction of Participants

All participants introduced themselves and the programs they represent.

4. Review of Minutes and Agenda

David Scott presented the contents of the meeting packet. The program agenda was reviewed. He asked if there were any objections to the minutes. There were none. The minutes of November 4, 2005, are final.

5. Review of Category C (Reminder/Recall) – (See Handout # 1 dated 2/3/2005.)

Jack Sims, Manger Immunization Branch introduced reminder/ recall projects DPI has been working on since TISWG’s last meeting. DPI will launch a statewide reminder /recall initiative through ImmTrac, targeting 15 month olds. TISWG participants asked questions regarding the campaign efforts, evaluation, and cost expectations. In addition, efforts and outcomes of these issues will be focused in the upcoming Immunization Branch Strategic Plan.

Recommendation: The TISWG proposed actions regarding reminder/recall, however more “need to know” information was requested. A sub committee was formed to further explore this topic. A Benchmark Research plan was proposed and a report is expected at the April TISWG meeting. *(See Meeting Addendum for additional information, suggestions, recommendations and commitments discussed about this topic.)*

6. Review Status of TISWG (See Handout # 2 dated 2/3/2005.)

David Scott and Jack Sims lead the discussion of the status of TISWG. There was positive discussion of TSWIG achievements. The TIWSG is commended for diligence executing it’s charge. TISWG recommendations will have significant impact on the Disease Prevention and Intervention Section DPIS strategic planning. The review identified TISWG’ challenges and discussion addressed how to produce and strengthen our product. Several recommendations were provided to reach non-participating TISWG members and to reduce the learning curve of new members and new Subject Matter Experts.

7. Targeted Consumer Outreach/ formerly known as Recipient Access Category D.

The TISWG agreed that the title of recipient access was not descriptive of the issues identified, therefore the name change would give clarity to the intent.

As this topic was introduced, several issues were discussed, to include immunization issues of Adults, Homeless and Migratory Populations, and Adolescents.

Recommendation: A sub committee agreed to tackle the issues of Adult Immunizations and will report back to TISWG at a later date. *(See Meeting Addendum for additional information, suggestions, recommendations and commitments discussed about this topic.)*

8. Next Steps: TISWG participants agreed to the following next steps and agenda items.

- Next meeting two months – April
- Presentation by medical home group with Q&A (90 minutes)
- Suma findings – media campaign evaluation results with Q&A (45 minutes)
- Reminder/recall Benchmark Presentation (1 hour)
- Data on 4th dose (30 minutes including Q&A)
- Finish Category D, Targeted Consumer Outreach (90 minutes)

9. Meeting Evaluation and closing comments. Meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm.

Attachments (3)

- *Handout 1 -Texas Immunization Stakeholder Working Group (TISWG)–Issues and Ideas dated 2/3/2005.*
- *Handout 2 -Texas Immunization Working Group Issue Status Updates (grid) dated 2/3/2005.*
- *Meeting Addendum*