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Office of Border Public Health

Task Force of Border Health Officials

Statutorily mandated	Jurisdiction	Role/voting status
(Alphabetical order by last name)		
Richard Chamberlain, DrPH, MPH, RS Director	Laredo	voting member
Esmeralda Guajardo, MAHS Health Administrator	Cameron County	voting member
Shannon Harvill Interim Environmental Health Director	Harlingen	voting member
Steven M. Kotsatos, RS Director of Health and Code Enforcement	McAllen	voting member
Hector Ocaranza, MD, MPH, FAAP Interim Director of Public Health	El Paso	voting member
Eduardo Olivarez Chief Administrative Officer	Hidalgo County	Chair/voting member
Arturo Rodriguez, DNP, MPH, CPM Director of Public Health and Wellness	Brownsville	Vice chair/voting member
Ex-officio Appointees		
Vacant	Lieutenant Governor	non-voting member
State Representative Bobby Guerra	Speaker of the House	non-voting member
DSHS Appointees		
Emily Prot, DO, MPH	PHR 11 RMD	voting member
Lillian Ringsdorf, MD, MPH	PHR 8 RMD	voting member
Rachel E. Sonne, MD, MPH	PHR 9/10 RMD	voting member