Task Force of Border Health Officials Subcommittee Overview



Office of Border Public Health

Border Public Health Infrastructure

Communications & Messaging

Environmental Health

- registered sanitarian retention and expansion
- o tire abatement efforts
 - work with TARC/COGs
- compliance and enforcement
- Binational Initiatives
 - strengthening binational community health coalitions
- Health Information Exchange

policy implementation/changes (2022 recommendations)

- provide funding or way for LHDs to be part of HIE at little/no cost
- Human Resource Infrastructure
 - o mental health resiliency

Population Health (Wellness and Diseases)

- Communicable Diseases
 - o TB
 - o flu
 - STDs/STIs/HIV
 - o pandemics
- High Morbidity and Mortality

Conditions

- o diabetes
- o cardiovascular diseases
- o obesity
- Maternal Child Health
 - vaccine hesitancy
 - DSHS collaborations
 - **Community Mental Health**
 - Coping skills and resiliency

Current TFBHO Home Page

Task Force of Border Health Officials

Mission: A Healthy and Equitable Border Community

Vision: To identify and raise awareness of health issues impacting border communities and establish policy priorities to enhance border public health, creating a healthy bi-national community.

General Duties of the Task Force: The task force shall make recommendations to the commissioner for short-term and long-term border health improvement plans. The short-term plan shall identify health objectives proposed to be accomplished before the fourth anniversary of the date the plan is adopted. The long-term plan shall identify health objectives proposed to be accomplished before the ninth anniversary of the date the plan is adopted.

TFBHO Home Page (with option to propose values language)

Option 1:

Task Force of Border Health Officials

Mission: To Create a Healthy and Equitable Border Community

Vision: To identify and raise awareness of classic and emerging health issues impacting border communities and establish policy priorities to enhance border public health, creating a healthy binational community.

Values: We are guided by # core values

- Selflessness
- Communications (messaging)
- o Inclusion
- Responsibility
- Partnership/Collaboration

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Option 2:

Task Force of Border Health Officials

Mission: A Healthy and Equitable Border Community

Vision: To identify and raise awareness of health issues impacting border communities and establish policy priorities to enhance border public health, creating a healthy binational community.

Values: Creative and practical solutions to improve and facilitate communication, coordination, and collaboration among Texas-Mexico border health professionals, and communities in order to optimize binational and border health.

TFBHO Home Page (with option to propose values language)

Option 3:

Task Force of Border Health Officials

Mission: A Healthy and Equitable Border Community

Vision: To identify and raise awareness of health issues impacting border communities and establish policy priorities to enhance border public health, creating a healthy binational community.

Values: Our core values guiding our border health officials in establishing policy priorities and actions have been:

- Community
- Communication
- Culture
- Collaboration

Thank you!

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