

Legislatively Mandated Reports

Task Force of Border Health Officials

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Health and Safety Code, Section 120.051



Study and make recommendations to address population in the border region

- Health problems
- Conditions
- Challenges
- Needs

Report recommendations to the DSHS Commissioner

- Due November 1, 2026

Proposed Timeline

Submit with DSHS report

Establish
Workgroups

02/11/2026

TFBHO
Approval

06/10/2026

Workgroup
Discussion

04/08/2026

Publish

09/01/2026

Helpful Hints

- Focus on statutory charge
- Make recommendations actionable
- Tie recommendations to TFBHO activities
- Report covers July 2024 to present
- Be concise



Establishing Workgroups



- Focus on specific topic
- Develop recommendations to discuss with full TFBHO
- Avoid quorum
- Can include individuals not on TFBHO

Potential Topics



Infectious Disease

- Immunizations
- TB
- New World
Screwworm

Chronic Disease

- Parkinson's Disease
- Alzheimer's

Maternal and Child Health

- Birth Defects
- Congenital Syphilis

*Recommendations by Dr. Taneja

Discussion

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