Agenda

**Preparedness Coordinating Council Meeting**

**Monday, July 21, 2025**

**In-Person: Room M100**

**Virtual:** See meeting invitation for TEAMS link

12:30 – 2:30 PM

**Meeting Goals:**

* Build awareness of ongoing public health and medical preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation activities in Texas.
* Provide feedback and offer strategic recommendations for DSHS to consider.

| **Time (CST)** | **Items** | **Discussion / Action** | **Lead(s)** |
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| 1. 12:30 –12:35 | **Welcome and Introductions:**   * Welcome and Introductions |  | Jim Parisi, PCC Co-Chair |
| 1. 12:35 – 12:45 | **PCC Business:**   * Determination of a quorum * Review and approve January 7th and April 8th Meeting Minutes * Future Meeting Dates:   + October 20, 2025   + January 20, 2026   + April 21, 2026 * Nominations / Voting for new Vice Chair | * Action | Jim Parisi, PCC Co-Chair |
| 1. 12:45 – 1:15 | **Whole Blood Program** | * Presentation * Discussion | Eric Epley  Executive Director/CEO, STRAC |
| 1. 1:15 – 1:45 | **How Healthcare Coalitions Save Lives and Protect Texans** | * Presentation * Discussion | Lori Upton, CEO, Southeast Texas Regional Advisory Council |
| **5.** 1:45– 2:05 | **DSHS Update:**   * EMS Update * Legislative Update | * Presentation * Discussion | Sabrina Lee  Richardson, EMT  Information Specialist III/Investigator – Special Projects  Joe Schmider, State EMS Director, DSHS  Daniel Knapp, Government Relations Specialist, DSHS |
| 7. 2:05– 2:20 | **Updates/Information Sharing from PCC members**   * Texas Military Department (TMD) – Captain Ryan Hammett * United Ways of Texas – Mr. Greg Bennett * Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) – Mr. James Elliott * Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) – Ms. Stephanie Duke * Governor’s EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) – Mr. Eric Epley * Texas Medical Association (TMA) – Dr. David Fleeger * National Association of Social Workers/Texas Chapter – Mr. Bryan Mares * Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) – Ms. Michelle Havelka * Texas Organization of Rural and Community Hospitals (TORCH) – * Texas Nurses Association (TNA) – Dr. Serena Bumpus * Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC) – Ms. Ginny Lewis Ford * Representative from an Urban Local Health Department – Vacant * Texas Hospital Association (THA) – Mr. Jim Parisi * Texas Funeral Service Commission – Scott Smith * University or Health Science Center – Vacant * Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) – Ms. Holli Tietjen * Texas Society of Infection Control and Prevention – Vacant * Representative from a Rural Local Health Department – Vacant * Texas Health Care Association or Texas Assisted Living Association – Vacant * Tribal Nation Representative - Vacant | * Presentation * Discussion | All |
| 8. 2:20 – 2:30 | * Topics for upcoming meetings * Next Meeting * Adjourn |  | Jim Parisi, PCC Co-Chair |