



# **Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Capabilities**

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# Agenda



- Community Preparedness
- Fatality Management
- Mass Care
- Responder Safety and Health

# Capability 1: Community Preparedness

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Functions:

- Determine risks to health
- Strengthen community partnerships
- Coordinate and share information
- Coordinate training
- Support community involvement

# BSCA Grant Project

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## Phase 1:

- Mass Violence Readiness, Response, and Resilience Toolkits
- Statewide education

## Phase 2:

- Individual planning assistance
- Continuity of Operations Planning
- Drills and exercises

# Deployable Teams Standard Operating Guide

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- Rapid Behavioral Health Assessment Team
- Behavioral Health Assistance Team
- Behavioral Health Operations Team
- Continuity of Operations (COOP) Team
- Public Safety Disaster Peer Support Team
  - ▶ Clinician
  - ▶ Peer
  - ▶ Chaplain
  - ▶ K-9

# Capability 5: Fatality Management

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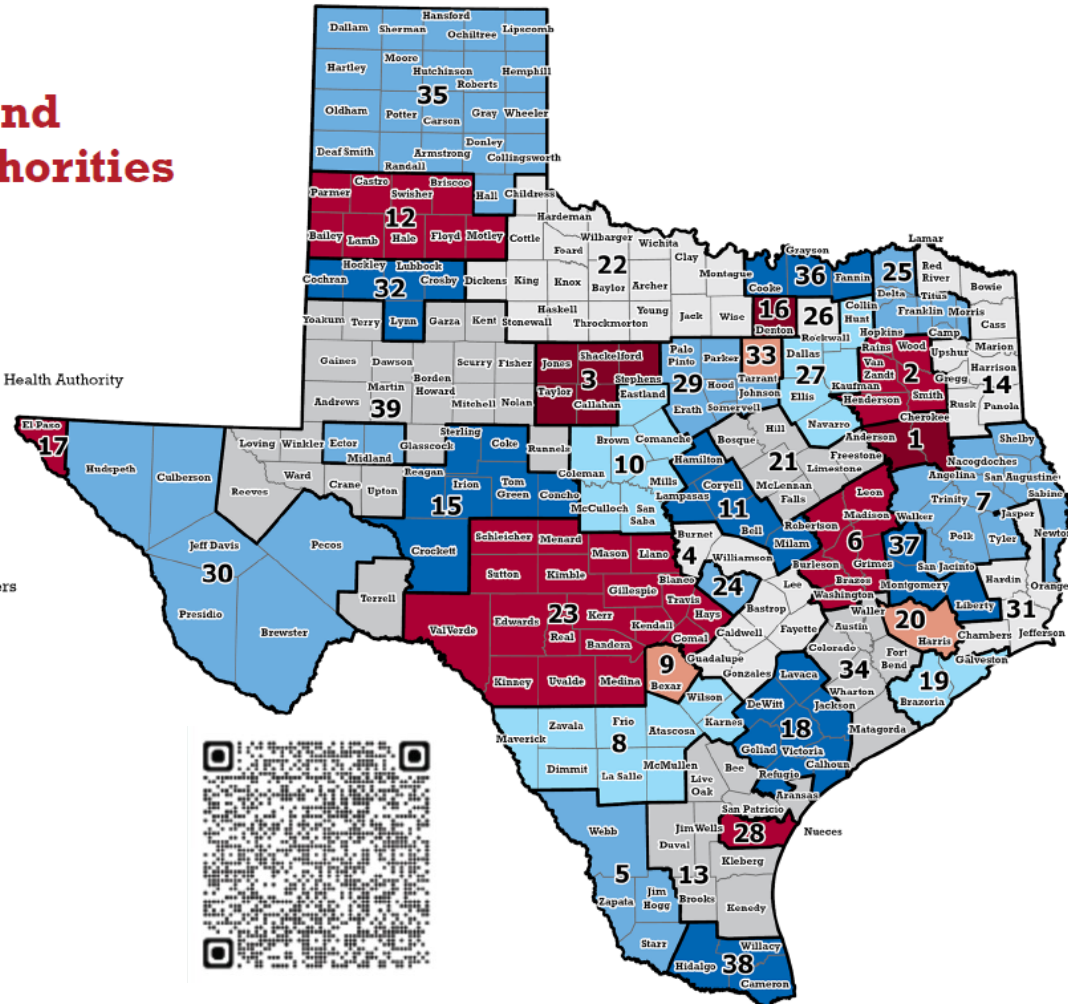
## Functions:

- Determine agency role in fatality management
- Facilitate access to resources
- Assist in data collection and dissemination
- Support provision of survivor mental health services
- Support processing and storage operations

# LMHA and LBHA Service Areas

## Local Mental Health and Behavioral Health Authorities

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|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. ACCESS                          | 21. Heart of Texas                          |
| 2. Andrews Center                  | 22. Helen Farabee                           |
| 3. Betty Hardwick                  | 23. Hill Country                            |
| 4. Bluebonnet Trails               | 24. Integral Care                           |
| 5. Border Region                   | 25. Lakes Regional                          |
| 6. Brazos Valley                   | 26. LifePath                                |
| 7. Burke Center                    | 27. North Texas Behavioral Health Authority |
| 8. Camino Real                     | 28. Nueces County                           |
| 9. Center for Health Care Services | 29. Pecan Valley                            |
| 10. Center for Life Resources      | 30. PermiaCare                              |
| 11. Central Counties               | 31. Spindletop Center                       |
| 12. Central Plains Center          | 32. StarCare                                |
| 13. Coastal Plains                 | 33. Tarrant County                          |
| 14. Community Healthcore           | 34. Texana Center                           |
| 15. Concho Valley                  | 35. Texas Panhandle Centers                 |
| 16. Denton County                  | 36. Texoma                                  |
| 17. Emergence Health Network       | 37. Tri-County                              |
| 18. Gulf Bend Center               | 38. Tropical Texas                          |
| 19. Gulf Coast Center              | 39. West Texas Centers                      |
| 20. Harris Center                  |   |



Source: Behavioral Health Services



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# Function 4: Survivor Mental Health Services

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- LMHA and LBHA response
- Crisis Counseling Program (CCP) Grants
  - ▶ Example: CCP TX-4781
- Specialized Recovery Grants
  - ▶ Example: Sustainable, Technical Assistance, Training and Engagement Grant



# Capability 7: Mass Care

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Functions:

- Determine role in mass care operations
- Determine mass care needs
- Coordinate public health, health care and behavioral health needs
- Monitor mass care population health

# Function 3: Coordinate Behavioral Health Needs

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- Situation Reports
- State of Texas Assistance Requests
- Grant management:
  - ▶ Fiscal and data monitoring
  - ▶ Program oversight

# State of Texas Assistance Requests (STARs)

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STARs requirements:

- Requestor Information
- Item/Mission Description Requested: (Item/mission, quantity, unit, date needed, for how long, mission description, purpose of request)
- Delivery Address
- Point of Contact
- Responsible Party

# State of Texas Assistance Requests (STARs)

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STARs may be used for:

- COOP Respite for LMHAs and LBHAs
- Peer or Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) for on-site first responders
- Peer, CISM, or Family Assistance Centers for local area hospital staff depending on the scope and scale of the disaster



# Example STAR

## State of Texas Assistance Request (Live)

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### Requestor Information

**Request No:** 00-331370 (TX)  
**Requestor Name:** OrrMikal8799  
**Requestor Position:** Ops TFS  
**Requestor Phone #:** +346-345-3258  
**Requestor Email:** Mikal.Orr@tfs.tamu.edu  
**Requestor Signature:** Mikal Orr  
**Initial Request Date:** 3/05/2024 10:02:30  
**Incident Name:** 24-0001 Wildfire Season 2024  
**Requesting Entity:** TFS

### Item/Mission Description

**Item/Mission:** CISM TEAM  
**Qty:** 1  
**Unit:** Each  
**When Needed?** 03/05/2024 10:00 AM  
**For How Long?** Consumable  
**Mission Description:** Members of CISM Team from Amarillo Fire to assist with LODD in Fritch, TX.  
**Purpose of Request:** Fire LODD in Fritch, TX  
**File Attachment:**  
**PPE Attachment:**

### Delivery Address

**Destination:** Randall County Fire Department/TAMFS - Amarillo  
1111 E. Loop 335 South  
Amarillo, TX - 79118  
-101.8272558 / 35.1212099  
**Final Report to Location & POC:**  
Fritch VFD  
104 N. Robey Ave, Fritch, TX 79036  
  
Poc: Kyle Taylor



# Capability 14: Responder Safety and Health

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Functions:

- Identify responder safety and health risks
- Support risk-specific responder safety and health training
- Monitor responder safety and health during and after incident response

# First Responder Mental Health Resources and Trainings

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## Resources:

- Webpage reference for culturally competent behavioral health resources
- CISM training coordination

## Disaster Behavioral Health Coordination trainings:

- Cumulative Stress and Self-Care
- Compassion Fatigue and Resiliency
- Dealing with Burnout



# Thank You!

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