

Texas State Child Fatality Review Team (SCFRT) Committee

AGENDA
November 8, 2021
10:00 a.m.

Meeting Site:

Texas Health and Human Services Commission
John H. Winters Building
Public Hearing Room 125, First Floor
701 West 51st Street
Austin, Texas 78751

This meeting will be webcast. Members of the public may attend the meeting in person at the address above or access a live stream of the meeting at <https://texashhsmeetings.org/HHSWebcast>. Select the tab for the Winters Public Hearing Room Live on the date and time for this meeting. Please e-mail Webcasting@hhsc.state.tx.us if you have any problems with the webcasting function.

This meeting will also be conducted via videoconference call in accordance with the requirements of Section 551.127, Government Code. The member of the Committee presiding over the meeting will be physically present at the location specified above.

Attendees who would like to provide public comment should see the **Public Comment** section below.

1. Welcome, Roll Call, Establishment of Quorum – Michael Baldwin, Chair and Sallie Allen, Texas Health and Human Services (HHSC), Policy and Rules, Advisory Committee Coordination Office
2. Introduction of new Committee members – Michael Baldwin, Chair
3. Consideration of August 20, 2021 draft meeting minutes – full Committee
4. Updates and announcements
 - a. Update on SCFRT Legislatively Mandated Report due April 2022 – Sarah Blezinger, Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)
 - b. Local Child Fatality Review Team (CFRT) updates – Sarah Blezinger
 - c. DSHS Maternal and Child Health/Office of Injury Prevention updates – Sarah Blezinger
5. 2017-2019 Child Fatality Data Presentation – Paul Betts PhD, DSHS
6. Review and vote on 2022 Biennial Report recommendations – Michael Baldwin, Chair and Sarah Blezinger
7. Discussion: 2022 Biennial Report review and approval – full Committee
8. Public Comment – Sallie Allen
9. Vote on open SCFRT position – six permanent members
10. Adjourn – Michael Baldwin, Chair

Public Comment: The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) welcomes public comments pertaining to topics related to Child Fatality Reviews and strategies to reduce fatalities. Members of the public who would like to provide public comment may choose from the following options:

1. **Oral comments provided virtually:** Members of the public must pre-register to provide oral comments virtually during the meeting by completing a Public Comment Registration form at https://texashhsmeetings.org/SCFRT_PCReg_Nov2021 no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, November 4, 2021. Please mark the correct box on the Public Comment Registration form and provide your name, either the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen, and your direct phone number. If you have completed the Public Comment Registration form, you will receive an email the day before the meeting with instructions for providing virtual public comment. Public comment is limited to three minutes. Each speaker providing oral public comments virtually must ensure their face is visible and their voice audible to the other participants while they are speaking. Each speaker must state their name and on whose behalf they are speaking (if anyone). If you pre-register to speak and wish to provide a handout before the meeting, please submit an electronic copy in accessible PDF format that will be distributed by HHS staff to SCFRT members and State staff. Handouts are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Handouts must be emailed to cfrt@dshs.texas.gov immediately after pre-registering, but no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, November 4, 2021, and include the name of the person who will be commenting. Do not include health or other confidential information in your comments or handouts. Staff will not read handouts aloud during the meeting, but handouts will be provided to SCFRT members and State staff.
2. **Written comments:** Members of the public may provide written public comments by completing a Public Comment Registration form at https://texashhsmeetings.org/SCFRT_PCReg_Nov2021. A member of the public who wishes to provide written public comments must email the comments to cfrt@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, November 4, 2021. Please include your name and the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen. Written comments must be emailed to DSHS immediately after pre-registering and include the name of the person who will be commenting. Written comments are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Do not include health or other confidential information in your comments. Staff will not read written comments aloud during the meeting, but comments will be provided to SCFRT members and State staff.
3. **Oral comments provided in-person at the meeting location:** Members of the public may provide oral public comment during the meeting in person at the meeting location either by pre-registering using the form above or without pre-registering by completing a form at the entrance to the meeting room. Do not include health or other confidential information in your comments.

Note: These procedures may be revised at the discretion of HHSC.

Contact: Questions regarding agenda items, content, or meeting arrangements should be directed to the Injury Prevention Coordinator at 512-776-7373 or cfrt@dshs.texas.gov.

This meeting is open to the public. No reservations are required, and there is no cost to attend this meeting.

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