

EMS and Trauma Registries

Medical Examiner / Justice of the Peace Resources

Medical Examiners (MEs) and Justices of the Peace (JPs) should report the following to the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Registries (EMSTR):

- All traumatic brain injuries (TBIs);
- Spinal cord injuries (SCIs); and
- Submersions (drownings and near drownings).

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If an ME or JP completes an inquest and suspects the above injuries, please report them through the EMSTR Identity and Access Management Online (IAMOnline) reporting system. JPs are not required to report any data if their region's ME handles all inquests.

Submit data here: <https://iamonline.hhs.state.tx.us/>

NOTE: EMSTR no longer accepts paper records.

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JPs and MEs should submit a report within 90 days after a reportable injury or fatality.

EMSTR recommends that an ME or JP submit data monthly or submit the No Reportable Data (NRD) form through the online system.



Please submit questions to injury.web@dshs.texas.gov

Resources and Laws

Under Texas law, Medical Examiners and Justices of the Peace must report all traumatic brain injuries, spinal cord injuries, and submersions to the EMS and Trauma Registries.

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RESOURCES

- Submersion Data Dictionary:
dshs.texas.gov/injury-prevention/ems-trauma-registries/medical-examiner
dshs.texas.gov/injury-prevention/ems-trauma-registries/justice-the-peace
 - TBI and SCI Data Dictionary:
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dshs.texas.gov/injury-prevention/ems-trauma-registries/justice-the-peace
 - Reporting Guides:
dshs.texas.gov/injury-prevention/ems-trauma-registries/emstr-platform-resources
 - Sample Business Associate Agreement (BAA):
dshs.texas.gov/injury-prevention/ems-trauma-registries/emstr-platform-resources
 - EMSTR New Platform Submissions Reporting System:
iamonline.hhs.state.tx.us
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RELEVANT LAWS AND RULES

- Health & Safety Code, Chapter 92.003: statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/HS/htm/HS.92.htm
- Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 103.4:
[texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p_dir=&p_rloc=&p_tloc=&p_ploc=&pg=1&p_tac=&ti=25&pt=1&ch=103&rl=4](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p_dir=&p_rloc=&p_tloc=&p_ploc=&pg=1&p_tac=&ti=25&pt=1&ch=103&rl=4)
- Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 103.6:
[texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p_dir=&p_rloc=&p_tloc=&p_ploc=&pg=1&p_tac=&ti=25&pt=1&ch=103&rl=6](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p_dir=&p_rloc=&p_tloc=&p_ploc=&pg=1&p_tac=&ti=25&pt=1&ch=103&rl=6)

For more information, visit:

dshs.texas.gov/injury-prevention/ems-trauma-registries/medical-examiner or
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