

March 5, 2021 - 9:00am

Agenda

Location: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be conducted online virtually using Microsoft Teams only. There is not a physical location for this meeting.

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1. Call to Order and Determination of Quorum
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Approval of December 11, 2020, Meeting Minutes
4. Subcommittee on Maternal Health Disparities Update
5. Approval of Bylaws
6. Texas Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee Operational Updates
7. [Senate Bill 748: Prenatal and Postpartum Depression Screening and Treatment Data](#)
8. Future Agenda Items
9. Public Comment
10. Executive Session: to review cases under Health and Safety Code, Section 34.007 as authorized by Section 34.004.
11. Adjourn

Public comment may be taken on any agenda item.

Please note that this governmental meeting is, in the opinion of counsel representing the Health and Human Services System, an open meeting subject to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, and the Health and Human Services System is providing notice of this meeting as required by Chapter 551.

Public Comment: The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) welcomes public comments pertaining to topics related to Texas maternal mortality and morbidity. Members of the public who would like to provide public comment are asked to [complete a Public Comment Form](#).

Members of the public who would like to provide written public comment to DSHS [may email the comments to Maternal Health](#) no later than 5:00 pm Wednesday, March 3, 2021. Please include your name and the organization you are representing or state that you are speaking as a private citizen. Written comments are limited to three minutes. Staff will not read written comments aloud during the meeting, but comments will be forwarded to State staff and MMMRC members for their consideration. Comments should not include confidential information or protected health information.

If you would like to register to provide oral comments, please mark the correct box on the Public Comment registration form. Instructions for providing oral comment will be emailed to you. Registration must be completed no later than 5:00 pm, Wednesday, March 3, 2021. Members of the public may also use the Microsoft Teams Live Event Q&A section during the meeting to submit a request to provide public comment. The request must contain your name and the organization you are representing, or that you are speaking as a private citizen, and your direct phone number. Do not include confidential information or protected health information in comments.

Public comment is limited to three minutes. Speakers must state their name and either the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen. Public members who are using handouts are asked to provide an electronic copy in accessible pdf format. Handouts are limited to two pages (paper size:

8.5" by 11", one side only). Handouts must be [emailed to Maternal Health](#) immediately after registering and include the name of the person who will be commenting. It is not permissible for public speakers to interject or ask questions to MMMRC members during the rest of the meeting. Do not include confidential information or protected health information in handouts. Staff will not read handouts aloud during the meeting, but handouts will be provided to members of the MMMRC and State staff.

Contact: Questions regarding agenda items, content, or meeting arrangements should be directed to Allison Waage at (512) 776-2907. Due to COVID-19, the staff is teleworking. Please leave a message, and staff will return your call. You may also [email questions to Maternal Health](#).

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

Persons with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting and require assistive technology or services should [email Allison Waage](#) or call at 512-776-2907 or at least 72 hours before the meeting so appropriate arrangements can be made.