COMPLIANCE SECTION ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH BRANCH DSHS RADIATION CONTROL

FISCAL YEAR 2024 ANNUAL ANALYSIS FINAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Pursuant to 25 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 289



Radiation Control Program Description & Mission

The Texas Department of State Health Services, Radiation Control Program, has the important mission to protect and promote the physical and environmental health of the people of Texas.

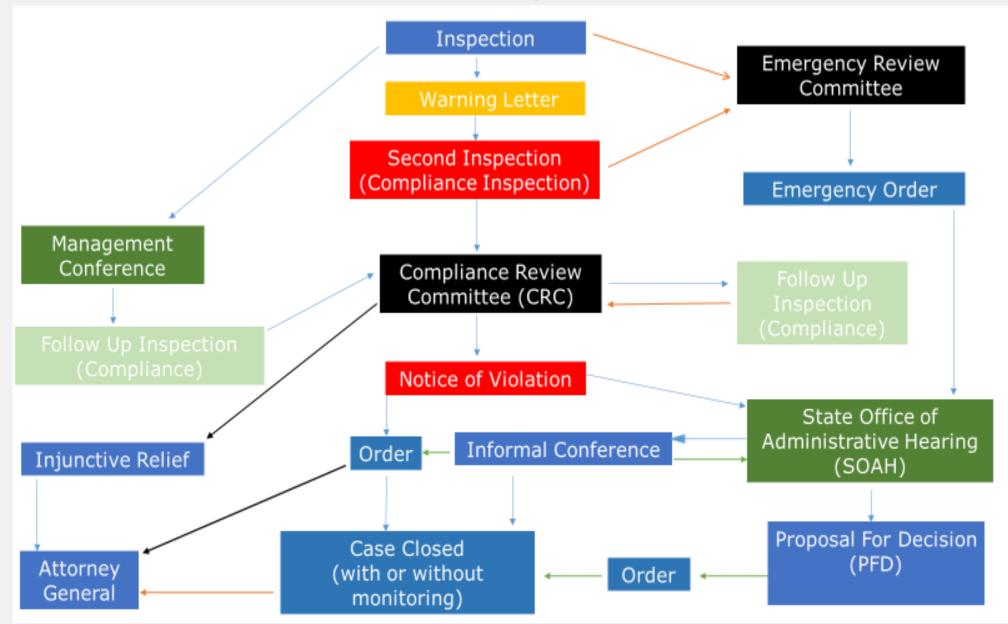
The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) was initially involved in radiological health activities as early as 1947. We strive to prevent unnecessary radiation exposure to the public through effective licensing, registration, inspection, enforcement, and emergency response.

RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM LICENSE AND REGISTRATION TYPES

Radioactive Material Licenses – 1,321 Radioactive Material Reciprocity – 104 **General License Acknowledgments – 1,321 Waste Shipper/Transporter – 138 Active Sealed Source and Device Registrations – 44 Active Radiographer Certifications – 3031 Mammography Certifications – 622** X-ray Registrations – 17,900 **Laser Registrations – 4,036**



Radiation Control Compliance Flowchart





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Cases Referred to Compliance for Enforcement Action

• 528 cases were referred to Compliance for enforcement action



Preliminary Reports and Complaints or Notices of Violation (Notices) Issued by Compliance

Preliminary Reports or Notices of Violation Issued - 522



Informal Conferences (ICs) held by Compliance

Informal Conferences were held for 161 cases



State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH)

- ❖SOAH (formal) hearings were requested for six (6) cases.
- ❖Two (2) formal hearings were held at SOAH.
- ❖ All Respondents were offered the opportunity to have their case(s) presented before an Administrative Law Judge.

Case Closures

Orders

<u>Withdrawn</u>

513

19



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Cases Closed

Cases with final Order are either:

- closed with monitoring (terms and conditions to be met are still pending)
 - closed without monitoring
 (all terms and conditions are met)

Case Closures

Cases Closed with Monitoring at the end of FY 2024 - 12

Grand Total Penalty Amount Assessed

\$1,145,570.00



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Attorney General (AG) Referrals

 12 cases were referred to the AG for further administrative and/or judicial remedies on Respondents who failed to and/or refuse to comply with a final order. For more information regarding Radiation Control Program policies and protocols, please click on the link below:

https://dshs.texas.gov/texas-radiation-control