



COVID-19: Texas Hospital Reporting Requirements

July 23, 2020

On July 13, 2020, U.S. Secretary of Health & Human Services Alex Azar sent a letter to our nation's governors and hospital administrators seeking to change and expand the reporting of hospital-level data to support the state and federal COVID-19 response.

On Wednesday, July 22, 2020, the Texas Department of State Health Services began accepting all required data described in the Secretary's letter. Texas DSHS has received certification from our ASPR Regional Administrator affirming that the State has an established data reporting process that will provide data to the federal government daily.

Reporting to the state was originally required by Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA 10. Since early in the event, DSHS has been collecting and reporting required information to the federal government on behalf of hospitals in the state. This included both state and federal required reporting elements. DSHS uses this data to inform decision-making in the response including determinations about hospital requested staffing.

The revised reporting required by the federal government must be submitted daily and by one of several methods. If a state is certified to report on behalf of its hospitals, all hospital data must be submitted to the state. (See the attached guidance from Secretary Azar.) All data must be reported at the facility level, regardless of whether they are part of a larger hospital system. This does not prohibit a system providing the information on behalf of the facility.

It is vital that hospitals follow these new data reporting requirements and processes, in part, to ensure Texas receives the fullest allocation possible of remdesivir. The federal government will base state allocations of remdesivir on these data elements. Furthermore, individual hospital allocations by the state will also consider this data.

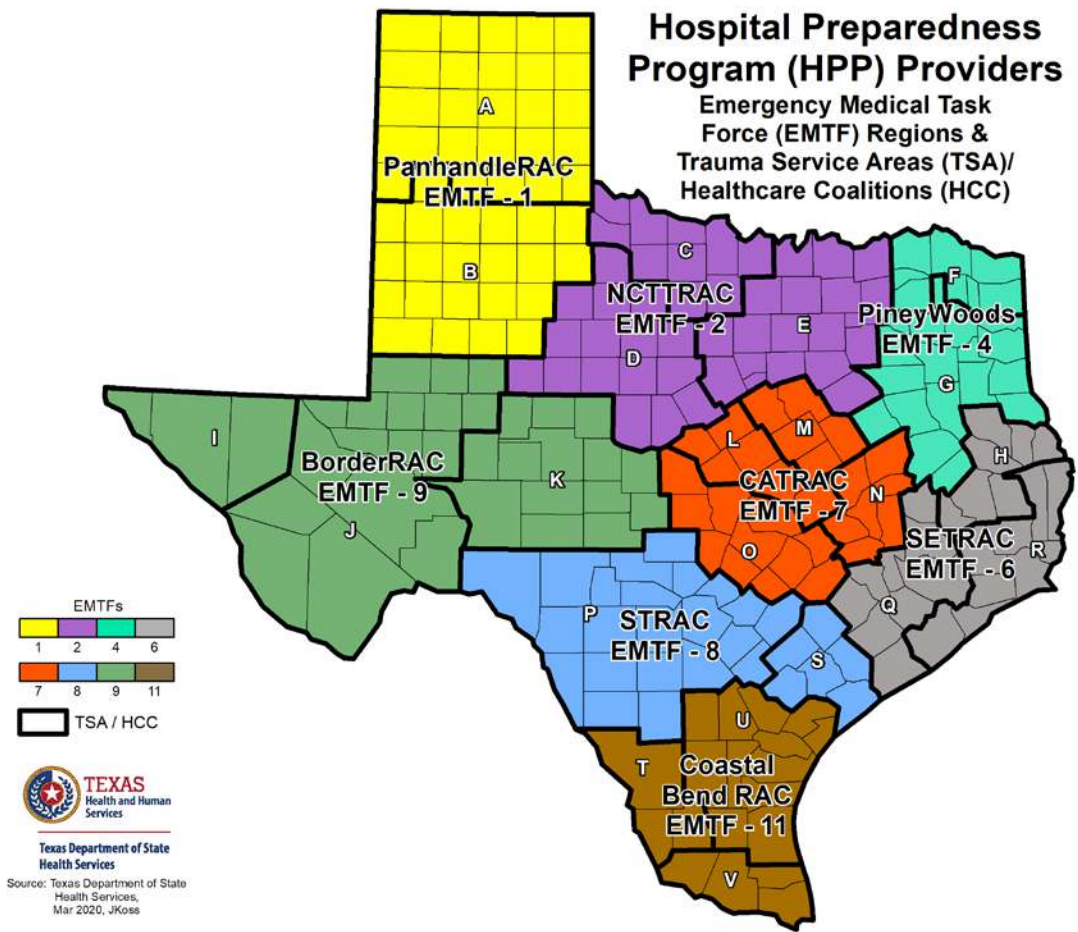
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How to submit:

DSHS partners with eight Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) providers (see map and contact info provided) and their regional Health Care Coalitions around the state to administer the federally funded Hospital Preparedness Program. They use two electronic systems (EMResource and WebEOC) to gather required information from the hospitals in their jurisdictions and provide it to the Center for Health Emergency Preparedness and Response (CHEPR) at DSHS. Most hospitals are reporting through this method already; however, should you need assistance in reporting your hospital’s required facility level data, please contact the HPP provider for your area for assistance.

When to submit:

Daily, beginning Wednesday, July 22nd, 2020. Required hospital data should be submitted daily into EMResource or WebEOC as determined by the HPP Provider in your area. Data should be entered into the electronic system utilized in your region daily between 7:00 AM-1:00 PM.



| HPP Provider | Healthcare Coalitions | City | Phone Number | COVID19 Email | Website Address |
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| Panhandle RAC | A & B | Amarillo | (806) 322-1290 | info@panhandlerac.com | www.panhandlerac.org |
| North Central Texas Trauma RAC | C, D, & E | Arlington | (817) 608-0390 | NCTTRAC_EMCC@ncttrac.org | www.ncttrac.org |
| Piney Woods RAC | F & G | Tyler | (903) 593-4722 | COVIDinfo@rac-g.org | www.RAC-G.org |
| South East Texas RAC | H, Q, & R | Houston | (281) 822-4444 | ask@setrac.org | www.setrac.org |
| Capital Area Trauma RAC | L, M, N, & O | Austin | (512) 926-6184 | CAMOC@catrac.org | www.catrac.org |
| Southwest Texas RAC | P & S | San Antonio | (210) 233-5850 | RMOC@strac.org | www.strac.org |
| Border RAC | I, J, & K | El Paso | (915) 487-1924 | RMOC@borderrac.org | www.borderrac.org |
| Coastal Bend RAC | T, U, & V | Corpus Christi | (361) 960-2871 | support@cbrac.org | www.cbrac.org |