



Texas EMS, Trauma & Acute Care Foundation





A Message From Our President/CEO

Our organization knew 2024 would be a whirlwind year with the publication of the trauma designation rules, the 35th anniversary of the Texas Trauma System, a remarkably busy survey schedule, and preparations for the 89th Texas Legislative Session. These accomplishments take a team comprised of staff, surveyors, the TETAF Board of Directors, and TETAF committee members who are resolute to TETAF's mission, "...to strengthen regional health care delivery systems through collaboration, advocacy, and education."

We are proud to highlight the milestones achieved by TETAF and Texas Perinatal Services in 2024:

- The TETAF/Texas Perinatal Services team completed **222** surveys for all service lines, more surveys than in any previous year on record for TETAF.
- TETAF conducted three stakeholder meetings regarding the proposed trauma designation rules, averaging more than **200** stakeholders in attendance during each meeting.
- TETAF provided more than **4,000** continuing professional development hours to learners in every one of the 22 Regional Advisory Councils.
- The TETAF Rural Trauma System Development Fund was established with the 35th Trauma Anniversary Celebration raising more than **\$74,000** in recognized revenue.
- TETAF and Texas Perinatal Services proudly sponsored conferences for organizations such as the Texas Organization of Rural and Community Hospitals (TORCH), Texas Collaborative for Healthy Mothers and Babies (TCHMB), and the Institute for Perinatal Quality Improvement (PQI).

The list can certainly go on, but these points were a handful of the centerpieces in 2024 to ensure a strong trauma, stroke, maternal, neonatal, and emergency health care system for Texas. I am proud of the difference TETAF makes each year, and I invite you to learn more about our many successes in this annual report.

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Our Mission, Our Story

Our Mission

The Texas EMS Trauma & Acute Care Foundation's mission is to strengthen regional health care delivery systems through collaboration, advocacy, and education.

Our Story

In the early 2000s, the need for survey services in Texas was expanding significantly. Funding was limited due to the Texas Legislature needing to streamline the state's budget. The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) was no longer able to provide survey services due to a reduction in funds. The American College of Surgeons (ACS) was the only option for Level III trauma surveys and there was not an option for Level IVs, plus hospitals voiced concerns regarding the cost of surveys from ACS. Additionally, there was a strong desire to have a community of trauma, EMS, and acute care advocates to speak louder with a centralized voice for advocacy. These concerns and needs led the 22 Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) across the Texas trauma community to support the launch of the Texas EMS, Trauma & Acute Care Foundation (TETAF).

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, TETAF fills the gap where federal, state, and local governments, and private entities cannot provide statewide services. In 2008, DSHS granted TETAF the authority to provide verification surveys for Level III and Level IV designated trauma facilities. The first TETAF staff members were hired in 2009 to fully implement TETAF's mission. The following year, TETAF's role grew to provide Level III stroke verification surveys. In 2015, TETAF further expanded its reach and was approved to provide neonatal verification surveys. In August 2016, TETAF launched neonatal leveling surveys in Texas and provided more than 100 surveys in the first 3-year cycle.

Following closely behind neonatal, in August 2018 TETAF launched maternal leveling verification surveys along with the creation of TETAF's Texas Perinatal Services division. Texas Perinatal Services continues to lead the state in perinatal verification surveys. Today, with more than 150 credentialed surveyors, TETAF and Texas Perinatal Services provide verification surveys for trauma, stroke, neonatal, and maternal in more hospitals than any other surveying entity.

Driven by our mission, TETAF continues to ensure comprehensive, quality care is provided to patients in Texas.

A Year of Mission



222 surveys - Most surveys completed in the history of TETAF/Texas Perinatal Services.



TETAF/Texas Perinatal Services earned a 4.8 out of 5 satisfaction rate from hospitals surveyed.

4,000

More than 4,000 continuing professional development hours provided.



More than \$74,000 raised for the TETAF Rural Trauma System Development Fund.



Three trauma stakeholder meetings with more than 200 attendees each and one Regional Advisory Council stakeholder meeting held to discuss proposed rules.

71%

Texas Perinatal Services is the chosen survey organization for the majority of eligible perinatal programs.



TRAUMA



Trauma is the original service line to TETAF and continues to serve as the guiding model for all service lines.

www.tetaf.org/trauma

The Year of the Trauma Designation Rules

The long, anticipated wait for revised trauma designation rules came to an end in 2024 with proposed rules, then the proposed rules were pulled, and then a revised rule to meet the needs of the Texas Trauma System. The proposed trauma designation rule, §157.125 Requirements for Trauma Facility Designation, published on January 19 in the *Texas Register*.

Understanding that stakeholders wanted to provide feedback to the rules, but had many questions, TETAF led two discussions with stakeholders in February with approximately 250 in attendance for each virtual meeting. The second meeting had focused times for Level III trauma facilities and Level IV trauma facilities to ensure time for discussion from each level of care.

Based on stakeholder concerns and extensive discussion among TETAF staff and the Board of Directors, TETAF submitted formal written comments and provided oral comments during the Texas Health and Human Services Commission Executive Council meeting on February 15. With more than 3,900 comments regarding the proposed rules submitted to the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), the department withdrew the proposed rules in April.

In July, a new rule project was published for the proposed trauma designation rules. The rule project included a revision of Section §157.125. The revised §157.125 terminates on August 31, 2025. A new rule, Section §157.126, concerning Requirements for Trauma Facility Designation, will be implemented on September 1, 2025.

TETAF provided another stakeholder discussion virtual meeting in August and provided additional oral comments to the HHSC Executive Council and formal written comments to DSHS.

Throughout this process, the goal for TETAF was to ensure that the Texas Trauma System continues to be a robust system with access to trauma care for patients in rural and urban areas of the state.

Celebrating 35 Years of the Texas Trauma System

In the 1980s, 70-80% of trauma deaths from automobile accidents occurred on rural roads and injuries cost Texans \$10.8 billion. At that time, most rural hospitals did not have the specialized training to treat traumatic injuries, and some urban hospitals could not take a patient transfer. It was estimated that by the early 1990s, nearly 70,000 Texans would be seriously injured. A group of trauma leaders across Texas knew that care had to improve.

These trauma leaders, comprised of trauma surgeons, trauma nurses, and state government leaders, believed that a more integrated system at regional levels could improve care. In 1989, during the 71st Texas Legislature, House Bill (HB) 18, known as the Omnibus Rural Health Care Rescue Act, was passed. This legislation directed the development of an emergency medical service (EMS) and trauma care system, allowed for the creation of the Trauma Service Areas (TSAs) and the formation of the Regional Advisory Councils (RACs), and outlined the trauma facility designation process. This created the Texas Trauma System.

In August, TETAF commemorated the 35th anniversary of the Texas Trauma System with a celebration and inaugural fundraising event, "Boots & Bling: 35th Anniversary of the Texas Trauma System." TETAF had the distinguished honor of recognizing the founders of the Texas Trauma System during this celebration:

Honors

Kenneth Mattox, M.D., FACS
Mike Click, RN
James "Red" Duke, Jr., M.D.
Judy England, RN
Kenneth Mattox, M.D., FACS
Kathy Perkins, RN, MBA
Craig Rhyne, M.D., FACS
Erwin Thal, M.D., FACS

Ahead of the celebration, the TETAF Rural Trauma System Development Fund, which will support the ongoing needs of rural trauma caregivers, was formed. Thanks to the generous support of more than 40 sponsors and more than 200 in attendance at the event, more than \$74,000 was contributed to the fund. Additionally, TETAF held a virtual fundraiser for Giving Tuesday and raised more than \$1,300.

A committee will be formed in 2025 to determine how to best support rural trauma care, manage the distribution of the funds, and seek future ways to develop the fund.

Sponsors and Supporters of the 35th Anniversary Celebration of the Texas Trauma System

Sponsors

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BorderRAC
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Capital Area of Texas Regional Advisory Council
Central Texas Regional Advisory Council
Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council
Concho Valley Regional Advisory Council
Covenant Health
CRT Consulting
Deep East Texas Regional Advisory Council
East Texas Gulf Coast Regional Trauma Advisory Council
Ernest A. Gonzalez, M.D., PA
ESO
Global Medical Response
Golden Crescent Regional Advisory Council
Harris Health System
Heart of Texas Regional Advisory Council
Kathy and Chuck Perkins
Memorial Hermann - Red Duke Trauma Institute
North Central Texas Regional Advisory Council
North Texas Regional Advisory Council
Panhandle Regional Advisory Council
Piney Woods Regional Advisory Council
PromoShak
Pulsara
Reed+Claymon
Terri Rowden
Southeast Texas Regional Advisory Council
Siddons-Martin Emergency Group
South Plains EMS/Regional Advisory Council B
Southwest Texas Regional Advisory Council
Dr. Ronald Stewart
Texas Health Resources
Texas Hospital Association

Texas J Regional Advisory Council
Texas Organization of Rural and Community Hospitals (TORCH)
Trauma Regional Advisory Council (TRAC) V
Trauma Analytics
UMC Health System
University Medical Center of El Paso
Rod and Dinah Welsh

Supporters

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Hamilton Pool Vineyards and Farms
Hobby Town
Kendra Scott
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Spicewood Vineyards
Texas Rangers
The University of Texas Athletics
TopGolf
Tumble 22 Texas Chicken Joint
Twin Liquors
Wholesale Beer Distributors of Texas
William Chris Vineyards

Trauma Anniversary Celebration Planning Committee

Wanda Helgesen
Erin Moore
Kathy Perkins
Christine Reeves
Dr. Craig Rhyne
Dinah Welsh
Jessika Wynne



STROKE



Early and optimal stroke care has been an important part of TETAF's mission since its beginning.

www.tetaf.org/stroke

An Ongoing Commitment to Stroke Care

Since 2010, TETAF has provided verification surveys for Level III designated stroke centers, now the Acute Stroke Ready Level IV designation, according to the latest Requirements for Stroke Facility Designation in the Texas Administrative Code that went into effect in September 2022. TETAF has a team of experienced stroke surveyors who can provide consultation and verification surveys.

Although it is available for urban areas, providing this level of stroke verification surveys is paramount to ensuring stroke care continues to align with national stroke standards and is available in 25 rural Texas hospitals.



NEONATAL

TETAF established Texas Perinatal Services using its proven quality assurance model. The first service line to launch was neonatal.

www.texasperinatalservices.org/nicu-surveys



One Year of the New Neonatal Level of Care Designation Rule

For the first time since the neonatal level of care designation rules were established in 2016, neonatal facilities were surveyed according to a revised Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 133, Subchapter J beginning in January 2024.

Prior to the new rule taking effect, Jessica Phillips, MAS, BSN, RNC-OB, C-EFM, C-ONQS, perinatal program director, provided training for neonatal surveyors and provided live informational sessions focused on the rule updates to hospital partners.

Texas Perinatal Services (TPS) surveys 71% of the hospitals designated and in 2024 TPS surveyed 65 neonatal facilities.

A National Perspective of Neonatal Care

Since its inception, Texas Perinatal Services (TPS) has focused on what is happening with neonatal care in Texas and across the nation. Collaborating with organizations at the local, state, and national levels is essential to understand and learn more about the care provided in all areas of the United States.

In 2024, Jessica Phillips, MAS, BSN, RNC-OB, C-EFM, C-ONQS, perinatal program director, and Jorge Castañon, MSN, RN attended the Texas Collaborative for Healthy Mothers and Babies (TCHMB) Summit in February and the National Association of Neonatal Nurses (NANN) conference in September. Phillips also attended the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN) National conference in June and the AWHONN Texas conference in May.

Texas Perinatal Services is proud of its perinatal team having years of prior hospital experience and perpetual learning of neonatal care in all areas.



MATERNAL



In 2018, TETAF launched its maternal service line along with the creation of its perinatal division, Texas Perinatal Services.

www.texasperinatalservices.org/maternal-care-surveys

The End of a Cycle for Maternal Care

Since its inception, Texas Perinatal Services (TPS) has completed two maternal level of care designation cycles. During that time, our hospital partners were surveyed to the original rule that went into effect in 2018 and to the revised rule that went into effect in 2023.

In 2024, TPS surveyed 54 maternal facilities requiring a survey in Texas.

Texas Perinatal Services is proud of the ongoing relationship with its hospital partners. During the interim between surveys, TPS continues to provide ongoing support for its hospital partners through education and advocacy, and is committed to being there before, during, and after each survey.



ADVOCACY



TETAF has become the go-to resource for lawmakers as it fills a unique niche representing the different aspects of the health care system.

www.tetaf.org/advocacy

Ongoing Advocacy for Stronger Regional Health Care Systems

Advocating on behalf of the Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) and for needs in trauma, maternal, neonatal, and emergency and acute care, occurs while the legislature is in session and during the interim.

TETAF's lead advocate, Dinah Welsh, leads the advocacy efforts. Welsh has decades of experience advocating in the health care arena. Welsh not only advocates at the state level, but at a national level she is a member of the Trauma Center Association of America (TCAA) Advocacy Committee, which meets monthly. She also participates in the annual TCAA Day at the Capitol in Washington, D.C. TETAF also has an Advocacy Committee which meets frequently during the legislative session and continues to meet during the interim to discuss opportunities to strengthen regional health care systems.

Oral comments were provided in 2024 regarding the proposed trauma designation rules during the Texas Health and Human Services Commission Executive Council meetings and maternal data collection in Texas during the Perinatal Advisory Council meeting. In addition to providing oral comments, TETAF board, staff, and committee members, held regular meetings with leadership from the Texas Department of State Health Services to discuss priority issues.

Preparing for the 89th Legislative Session

The TETAF Advocacy Committee, staff, and board members work months in advance of the legislative session to strategize, develop, and prepare the TETAF Legislative Priorities. These priorities are used as a focus for advocating during the session.

The committee held meetings twice a month to discuss and draft leading priorities. The priorities for the 89th Texas Legislative Session have been identified as:

- Acknowledgement of the critical role of the Regional Advisory Councils (RACs)
- Increase funding to the Texas Trauma System
- Establish a statewide perinatal database
- Improve and fund regional health care data collection efforts

In addition to developing the priorities, Dinah Welsh provided oral comments on the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) and the department's budget as it relates to regional health care needs. Additionally, TETAF met with legislators and legislative staff during the legislative interim.

The 89th Texas Legislative Session begins on January 14, 2025.



EDUCATION



TETAF is consistently focused on achieving excellence in the delivery of trauma, emergency, neonatal, and maternal patient care.

<https://tetaf.org/tetafeducation/>



TETAF Provides Educational Offerings Across Texas

The educational offerings provided by TETAF are led by an effort from Courtney Edwards, DNP, MPH, RN, CCRN, CEN, TCRN, NEA-BC, education coordinator, and the TETAF Education Committee.

TETAF proudly awarded 2,292 continuing professional development hours in 2024 for the Texas Pediatric Readiness Project. Additionally, hours were awarded for five Texas Quality Care Forums, three Texas Trauma Coordinators Forums (TTCF), two Texas TQIP events, two virtual TETAF Hospital Data Management Courses (HDMC), one TTCF Trauma Designation Education Course, and one Regional Advisory Council (RAC) Education Symposium. TETAF educational offerings were awarded to participants representing every RAC in Texas with a total of 4,018 continuing professional development hours provided.

TETAF Hospital Data Management Course Stays Virtual

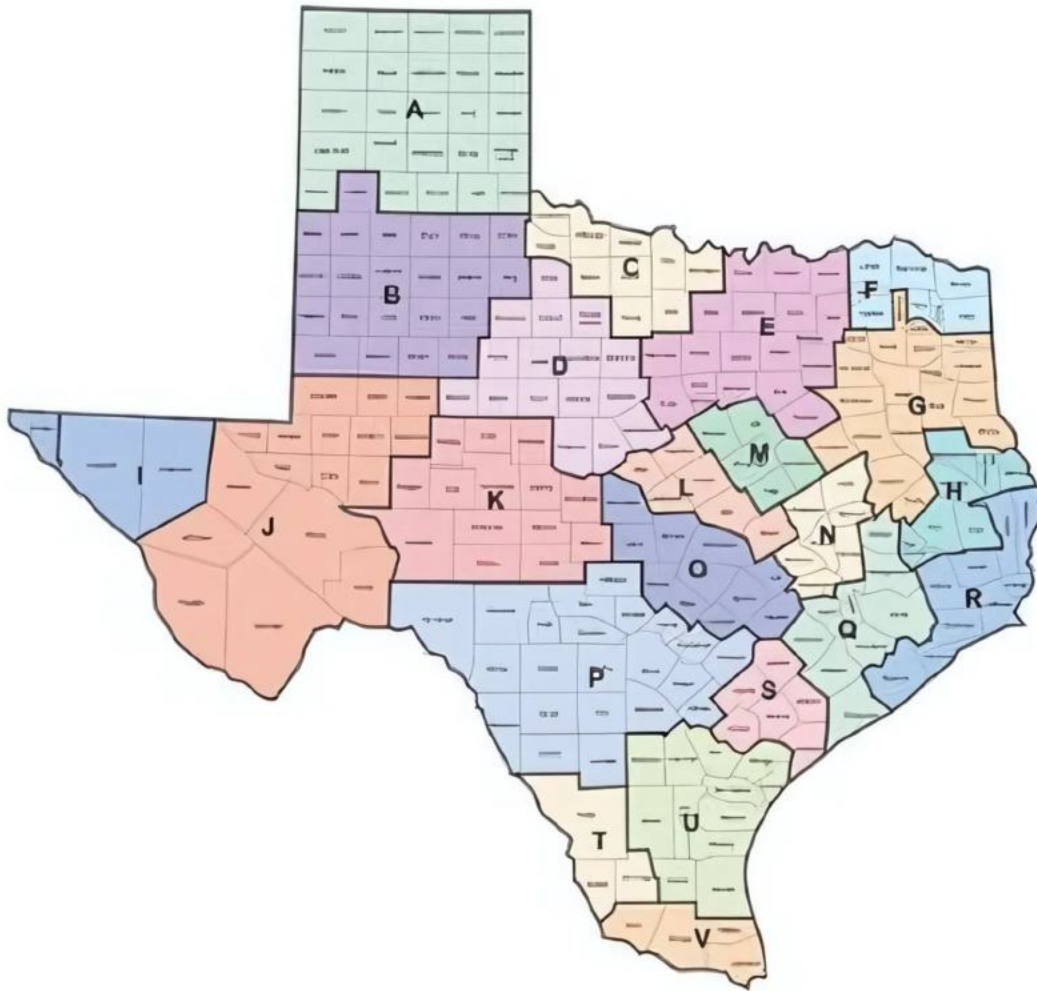
Since 2020, TETAF has offered its most popular course, the TETAF Hospital Data Management Course (HDMC) virtually. In 2024, the virtual course was offered twice, in the summer and in the fall. The virtual format has provided a convenience to those who cannot travel and attend in-person.

Leading trauma and data experts present on topics such as data abstraction, data entry, trauma validation and patient information, and trauma coding during the two-day course. Participants earn continuing professional development hours for completing the course and a brief questionnaire.

TETAF Successfully Redesignated as a Provider of Nursing Continuing Professional Development

Providing educational opportunities is a key component of TETAF's mission. For several years, TETAF has been credentialed by the Louisiana State Nurses Association (LSNA) to provide continuing professional development since the Texas Nurses Association no longer credentials continuing education.

In December 2024, TETAF's Approved Provider Unit status application was approved to continue providing education.



REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCILS

Since its beginning, TETAF has advocated for the Regional Advisory Councils to strengthen Texas' trauma system.

www.dshs.texas.gov/emstraumasystems/etrarac



TETAF Supports Regional Advisory Councils on Proposed Rules

Since its inception, TETAF has advocated on behalf of the Regional Advisory Councils (RACs). In 2024, TETAF held a virtual meeting in February for the RAC executive directors and chairs to discuss the proposed RAC rules to ensure the proposed changes would be beneficial for the RACs and the regions they serve.

Based on discussion from the meeting, TETAF developed formal written comments and submitted them to the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). The §157.123 Regional Advisory Council Requirements were adopted in November 2024 and were implemented on December 1, 2024.

TETAF also hosts the annual RAC Summit every December to bring RAC leaders together for strategic planning, best practice sharing, and development discussions. Additionally, the TETAF Advocacy Committee focused on upcoming needs to include in the TETAF Legislative Priorities for the 89th Legislative Session.



Texas Trauma Coordinators Forum



COLLABORATIONS

TETAF regularly works with statewide organizations to ensure processes are consistent and for stronger regional health care systems in Texas.



Working Together to Strengthen Health Care

Since its inception, TETAF has collaborated with organizations that also have an important role in trauma, stroke, maternal, neonatal, or acute care on a state or national level. This includes actively attending and participating in meetings, as well as supporting other organizations through sponsorships.

In 2024, TETAF's president and CEO, Dinah Welsh, provided updates during all the quarterly Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) meetings. TETAF's survey services senior director, Terri Rowden, provided updates during the Texas Trauma Coordinators Forum (TTCF) meetings. Jessica Phillips, perinatal program director; Jorge Castañon, perinatal program manager, and Dinah Welsh have provided input and attended the Perinatal Advisory Council (PAC) meetings.

Additionally, TETAF proudly sponsored the Texas Collaborative for Healthy Mothers and Babies Summit, the SPEAK UP Champion™ Implicit and Explicit Racial Bias Conference, and the Texas Organization of Rural and Community Hospitals Conferences in the spring and fall.



TEXAS TQIP

Since 2016, the Texas Trauma Quality Improvement Program (Texas TQIP) collaborative has worked to strengthen the quality of trauma care for patients in Texas trauma centers. TETAF proudly sponsors and supports the Texas TQIP.

www.tetaf.org/tx-tqip-about

A New Era for the Texas Trauma Quality Improvement Collaborative

The Texas Trauma Quality Improvement Program (TQIP) Collaborative entered a new chapter in 2024 with Carlos Palacio, M.D., FACS as chair of the collaborative. An Executive Council was also named:

- Vice Chair – Dr. Michael Wandling, Houston
- Vice Chair – Cassie Lyell, San Antonio
- Member – Danielle Sherar, Ft. Worth
- Member – Anne Feeler, Dallas
- Member – Dr. Leo Mercer, El Paso

Additionally, John Pope, MBA, BSN, RN was named the new Texas TQIP coordinator. Pope is the director of trauma services at HCA Houston Northwest Medical Center and comes to Houston from Georgia where he was active in the Georgia TQIP Collaborative.

The Texas TQIP Collaborative met quarterly during 2024, including holding its final meeting of the year during the ACS TQIP Conference in Denver in November.



FINANCIALS

TETAF is solely supported by verification survey fees, subscription fees, educational program fees, and tax-deductible donations.

FY 2023-2024 Total Operating/Direct Expense Budget

\$2,329,835

Salary and Benefits (Operating Expenses/Direct)	\$1,026,400
Survey Direct Expenses	\$1,033,543
Program Related	\$104,332
Administrative & Professional	\$178,143
General Operating Expenses	\$106,347
Actual Total Operating Expenses	\$2,448,765

FY 2023-2024 Revenue

Trauma/Stroke Survey	\$892,000
Maternal Care Survey	\$960,500
Neonatal Care Survey	\$1,054,925
Education	\$18,440
Subscription	\$35,000
Other	\$108,966
Actual Total Revenue	\$3,069,831



ABOUT US

Ensuring quality trauma, stroke, maternal, and neonatal care takes a team. Together, our team, our board of directors, and our hospital partners share the same mission and goals to give Texas patients the best outcome.

www.tetaf.org/about-tetaf

Our Team



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Director*



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*Perinatal Program
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Director*



AARON ROGERS
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2024 TETAF Board of Directors (Continued)



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Coordinator at
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Service Professor at
Baylor College of
Medicine and
Retired Chief of
Staff at
Ben Taub Hospital



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South Texas Health
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Hospital District



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CCRN-K**
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Acute Care Division
Director at
Southwest Texas
Regional Advisory
Council (STRAC)



David Weisoly, D.O.
The Woodlands
Practice Medical
Director at Pediatrix
and Obstetrix
Specialists of
Houston

Kathy Perkins Steps Down and Bill Bonny Appointed to the TETAF Board of Directors

Kathy Perkins, RN, MBA served for six years on the TETAF Board of Directors. During Perkins' tenure, she served as treasurer, giving considerable time to strengthening TETAF's finances. TETAF was privileged to have Perkins' experience and dedication on its Board of Directors.

The TETAF Board of Directors appointed Bill Bonny, BA, LP to serve the remainder of Kathy Perkins' term expiring in December 2024. Bonny is the division chief for Prosper Fire Rescue in North Texas and the chair for the North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council (NCTTRAC). Bonny has also served as the EMS Outreach Program Manager for Texas Health Resources.

Five Elected to the 2025 TETAF Board of Directors

The TETAF General Assembly elected five individuals to the 2025 TETAF Board of Directors with terms that will expire in 2027. The General Assembly voted from a slate of six nominees with the five highest votes elected to the TETAF Board of Directors. The individuals elected to the Board of Directors are:

- Bill Bonny, BA, LP
- Christopher Joyal, DNP, MSN Ed., RN, CPN
- Dan Little, M.D.
- Rhonda Manor-Coombes, BSN, RN, TCRN
- Elizabeth Scherer, M.D., MPH, FACS

TETAF will have a total of 19 board members in 2025 due to Danny Updike and Scott Christopher completing their remaining year as officers of the board after their board terms expired in December 2024.

Our Committees

Advocacy

The Advocacy Committee works with TETAF and its Board of Directors on legislative issues relating to trauma, stroke, maternal, and neonatal care, plus disaster, emergency, and cardiac health care issues.

Wanda Helgesen, Chair
Jeri Ames
Dr. Jacqueline Brock
Suzanne Curran
Paula Green

Douglas Havron
Dr. Carlos Palacio
Dudley Wait
Dr. David Weisoly

Education

This committee works with TETAF and its Board of Directors on issues relating to educational opportunities for TETAF to provide to stakeholders.

Cherish Brodbeck, Chair
Crystal Bassham
Valeria Blair
Jennifer Carr
Krista Easley
Jose Gonzalez

Rhonda Manor-Coombes
Michael Marshall
Dr. Kenneth Mattox
Chelsea Schmidt
Paula Schneider

Finance

The Finance/Audit Committee works with TETAF, its treasurer, and the Board of Directors to provide an independent review of TETAF's finances.

Kate Schaefer, Chair
Bill Bonny
Scott Christopher

Melinda Griffin
Dr. Craig Rhyne
Tracee Rose

Our Committees (Continued)

Governance

The Governance Committee works with TETAF and its Board of Directors on issues relating to board governance, including providing board member nominations to the Board of Directors.

Danny Updike, Chair
John Baker
Gretchen Clark
Eric Epley

Dr. Ernest Gonzalez
Dr. Scott Sagraves
Sally Snow
Gilberto "Gil" Torres

Survey Verification

This committee works with TETAF and its Board of Directors on matters relating to the survey verification process and how TETAF conducts surveys.

Dr. Dan Little, Chair
Jacky Betts
Amy Coats
Kate Drone
Dr. Jessica Ehrig
Dr. Stephen Flaherty
Diana Grimm-Mapp

Joy Henry
Dwayne Howerton
Lisa Hutchison
Dr. Christopher Joyal
Jon-Michael Parker
Kathy Rodgers

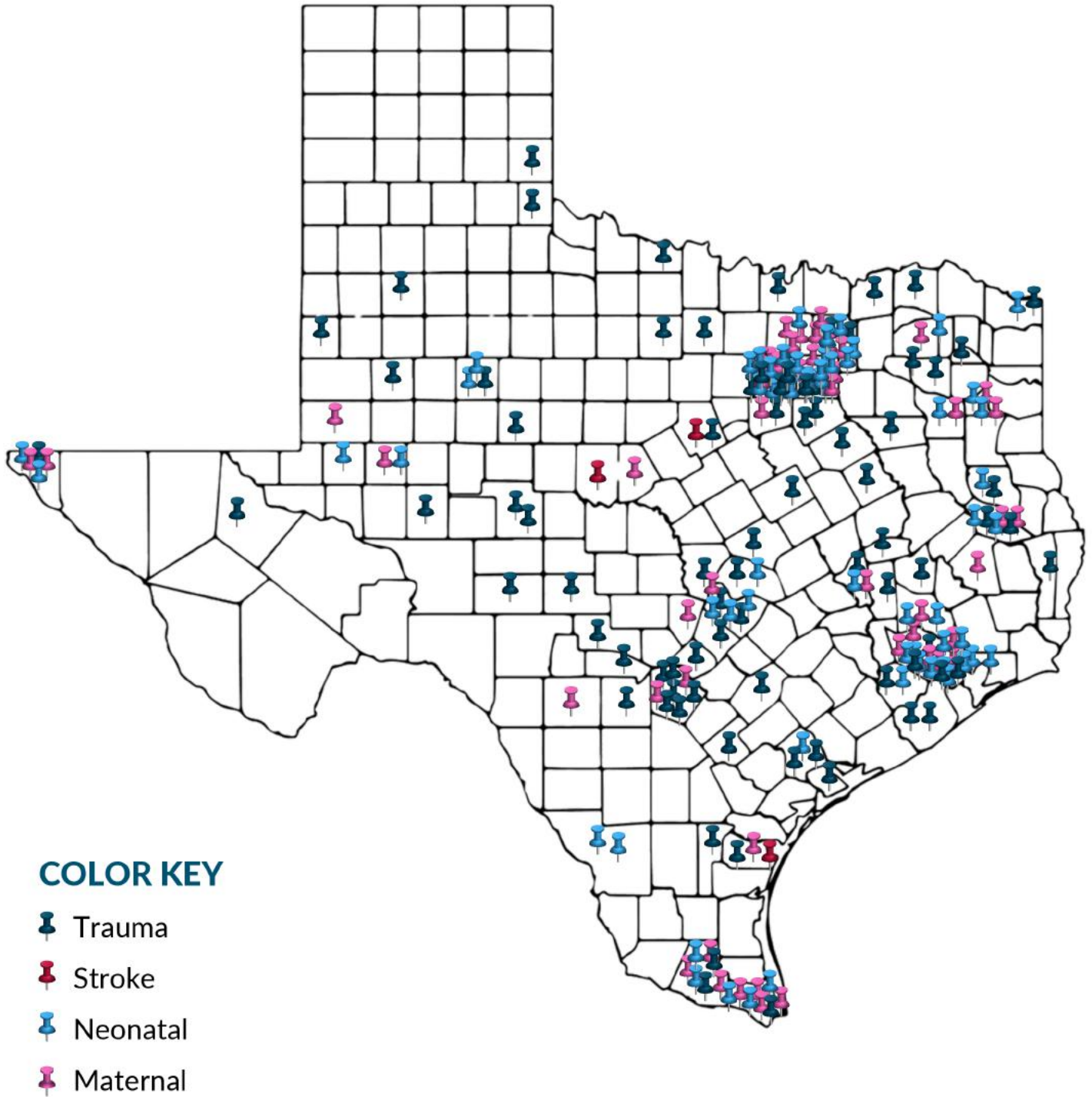
Our Surveyors

TETAF and Texas Perinatal Services (TPS) proudly works with 141 exceptional health care leaders who give their time and expertise to serve as trauma, stroke, maternal, and neonatal surveyors. These leaders are physicians and nurses with diverse backgrounds and a devotion to strengthen care provided to patients in Texas.

TETAF/TPS carefully selects and screens its surveyors. Prior to attending a survey, surveyors are trained using our coach-to-success methods. TETAF/TPS staff then monitor and evaluate surveyors on performance and quality assurance of the survey.

TETAF/TPS greatly appreciates the dedication of its surveyors to ensure a quality survey that results in quality care for patients.

Our Hospital Partners in 2024



Our Hospital Partners in 2024

Trauma

AdventHealth Rollins Brook
Ascension Providence
Ascension Seton Medical Center Austin
Baptist Medical Center
Baylor Scott & White Medical Center - Waxahachie
Carl R Darnall Army Medical Center
CHI St. Joseph Health College Station Hospital
CHI St. Joseph Health Grimes Hospital
CHI St. Joseph Health Madison Hospital
CHI St. Luke's Health Memorial Lufkin
Children's Medical Center Plano
Childress Regional Medical Center
CHRISTUS Mother Frances Hospital - Winnsboro
CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Hospital - New Braunfels
CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Hospital - San Marcos
CHRISTUS Southeast Texas Jasper Memorial
CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital - Alice
CHRISTUS St Michael Health System
Citizens Medical Center
Cogdell Memorial Hospital
Collingsworth General Hospital
Corpus Christi Medical Center - Northwest
Dell Children's Medical Center North Campus
DeTar Hospital Navarro
Electra Memorial Hospital
Freestone Medical Center
Graham Regional Medical Center
HCA Houston Healthcare Pearland
HCA Houston Healthcare Tomball
Huntsville Memorial Hospital
Kimble Hospital
Knapp Medical Center
Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital
Medical Arts Hospital
Medical City Frisco
Medina Regional Hospital
Memorial Hermann Southwest Hospital
Memorial Hospital of Gonzales
Memorial Medical Center - Port Lavaca
Methodist Charlton Medical Center
Methodist Hospital Hill Country
Methodist Hospital Northeast

Trauma (Continued)

Methodist Hospital Texsan
Methodist Mansfield Medical Center
Methodist Midlothian Medical Center
Mission Regional Medical Center
Muenster Memorial Hospital
Nacogdoches Medical Center
Navarro Regional Hospital
North Central Baptist Hospital
Northeast Baptist Hospital
OakBend Medical Center - Jackson Street
Olney Hamilton Hospital
Otto Kaiser Memorial Hospital
Paris Regional Medical Center
Peterson Regional Medical Center
Reagan Hospital District
Reeves Regional Health
Rice Medical Center
Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital
Shannon Medical Center
Shannon Medical Center - South Campus
St. David's Georgetown Hospital
St. Luke's Baptist Hospital
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital - Azle
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Alliance
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Cleburne
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Hurst-Euless-Bedford
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Southwest Fort Worth
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Stephenville
Texas Health Huguley Hospital
The Hospitals of Providence Transmountain
The Woman's Hospital of Texas
TMC Bonham Hospital
UMC Health and Wellness Hospital
UT Health East Texas - Pittsburg
UT Health East Texas Athens Hospital
UT Health East Texas Quitman
UTMB Angleton Danbury Campus
Valley Baptist Medical Center - Brownsville
William P Clements Jr University Hospital
Woodland Heights Medical Center
Yoakum County Hospital

Our Hospital Partners in 2024 (Continued)

Stroke

Coleman County Medical Center
Corpus Christi Medical Center - Northwest
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital
Stephenville

Neonatal

Medical City Arlington
Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas
Baylor Scott & White Medical Center - College
Station
Baylor Scott & White Medical Center - Frisco
Baylor Scott & White Medical Center - Grapevine
Cedar Park Regional Medical Center
CHI St Luke's Health Memorial Lufkin
CHI St. Luke's Health The Woodlands Hospital
CHRISTUS Good Shepherd Medical Center
Longview
CHRISTUS Mother Frances Hospital Sulphur
Springs
CHRISTUS St. Michael Health System
Citizens Medical Center
Covenant Children's Hospital
Del Sol Medical Center
Doctors Hospital of Laredo
Harlingen Medical Center
HCA Houston Healthcare Clear Lake
HCA Houston Healthcare Conroe
HCA Houston Healthcare Southeast
HCA Houston Healthcare West
Houston Methodist Baytown
Houston Methodist Clear Lake
Houston Methodist Hospital
Houston Methodist Willowbrook
Laredo Medical Center
Longview Regional Medical Center
Medical Center Health Systems
Medical City Alliance
Medical City Dallas
Medical City Las Colinas
Medical City McKinney

Neonatal (Continued)

Medical City Plano
Memorial Hermann Greater Heights
Memorial Hermann Northeast Hospital
Memorial Hermann Sugar Land
Methodist Charlton Medical Center
Methodist Dallas Medical Center
Methodist Mansfield Medical Center
Methodist Richardson Medical Center
Methodist Richardson Medical Center
Methodist Stone Oak Hospital
Midland Memorial Hospital
Mission Regional Medical Center
Nacogdoches Medical Center
Parkland Health
South Texas Health System McAllen
St. David's North Austin Medical Center
St. David's Round Rock Medical Center
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Alliance
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Fort Worth
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Hurst-Euless-
Bedford
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Southwest Fort
Worth
Texas Health Hospital Frisco
Texas Health Huguley Fort Worth South
Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Allen
Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas
Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Flower Mound
The Hospitals of Providence Transmountain
The Woman's Hospital of Texas
University Medical Center
UT Health East Texas Tyler
Valley Baptist Medical Center - Harlingen
Valley Regional Medical Center - Brownsville
William P. Clements Jr. University Hospital
Woodland Heights Medical Center

Our Hospital Partners in 2024 (Continued)

Maternal

Baylor Scott & White Medical Center - Frisco
Baylor Scott & White Medical Center - Grapevine
Baylor Scott & White Medical Center - Marble Falls
Baylor University Medical Center
Cedar Park Regional Medical Center
CHI St Luke's Health Memorial Livingston
CHI St. Joseph Health College Station Hospital
CHI St. Luke's Health Memorial Lufkin
CHRISTUS Good Shepherd Medical Center
Longview
CHRISTUS Mother Frances Hospital-Sulphur
Springs
Corpus Christi Medical Center - Bay Area
Harlingen Medical Center
HCA Houston Healthcare Clear Lake
HCA Houston Healthcare Conroe
HCA Houston Healthcare Northwest
HCA Houston Healthcare Southeast
HCA Houston Healthcare West
Hendrick Medical Center Brownwood
Houston Methodist Clear Lake Hospital
Knapp Medical Center
Longview Regional Medical Center
Medical City Alliance
Medical City Arlington
Medical City Lewisville
Medical City Plano
Memorial Hermann Northeast
Methodist Charlton Medical Center
Methodist Hospital
Methodist Hospital Stone Oak
Methodist Mansfield Medical Center
Midland Memorial Hospital
Mission Regional Medical Center
Permian Regional Medical Center
Rio Grande Regional Hospital
Texas Health Harris Hospital Alliance
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Cleburne
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Fort Worth
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Hurst-
Euless-Bedford

Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Southwest
Fort Worth
Texas Health Hospital Frisco
Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Allen
Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Denton
Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Flower Mound
Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Plano
The Hospitals of Providence Transmountain
University Medical Center of El Paso
University of Texas Medical Branch - Clear Lake
Campus
UT Health East Texas Tyler
Uvalde Memorial Hospital
Valley Baptist Medical Center - Brownsville
Valley Baptist Medical Center - Harlingen
Valley Regional Medical Center Brownsville
William P. Clements Jr. University Hospital
Woodland Heights Medical Center

A Look Ahead to 2025

The 17th year for TETAF will be filled with more milestones and making a difference in trauma, stroke, maternal, neonatal, and acute care in Texas:

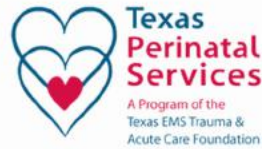
- Advocate for the TETAF Legislative Priorities and expanding uncompensated trauma care funding during the 89th Texas Legislative Session
- Continue work toward the goal of improving outcomes for mothers and babies in Texas by making a perinatal database in Texas a reality
- Support trauma facilities as they are surveyed under the new designation rule
- Form a committee to manage the TETAF Rural Trauma System Development Fund
- Provide continuing education opportunities for learners across Texas
- Provide two TETAF Hospital Data Management Courses
- Sponsor the 2025 Texas Collaborative for Healthy Mothers and Babies Summit

This list is just a glimpse of what TETAF has planned in 2025.

We look forward to working with our TETAF Board of Directors, TETAF committees, hospital partners, Regional Advisory Councils, and stakeholders in 2025.

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