



RAC- R

Perinatal Committee

Meeting

3/12/2025

Attendance & Introductions

Baptist Beaumont

Maternal- Mallory Defee

Neonatal- Michelle Bordelon

Christus St. Elizabeth

Maternal- April Waggespack

Neonatal- Kelli Huebel

Medical Center of SE TX

Maternal- Rebekah Landry

Neonatal- Shanna Maccammond

UTMB Angleton Danbury

Maternal- Andrea Horne

Neonatal- Andrea Horne

UTMB Galveston

Maternal- Lisa Spencer, Kim Stewart

Neonatal- Yesenia Sandino, Amy Shapley

TCHMB OB Committee Meeting Updates 1/23/2025

Starting in 2025, attendance will be tracked and a rate of 66% attendance is required (4 out of 6 meetings)

PPED Data Report is in the final stages of completion and copies will be sent to each RAC's Executive Director

Congenital syphilis presentation by Dr. Irene Stafford included strategies to reduce maternal and congenital syphilis as well as new research opportunities to mitigate the recent rise in cases (57% increase from 2019-2022)

TCHMB/TX AIM partnership- committee would like feedback on what the RACs want their roles to be, how they would like information shared and what format and frequency the updates should be

Next meeting scheduled for 3/27/2025

Summit scheduled for June 16th & 17th

TCHMB Neo Committee Meeting Updates

Upcoming projects for improving breastfeeding and use of human milk, along with promotion of safe sleep best practices, will be implemented in conjunction with DSHS and will be similar in size and scope to TexasAIM

Expert Panel to formulate content in April 2025

Faculty Workgroup and recruitment of hospital teams will begin Summer 2025

Expected first learning session in February 2026

Next meeting scheduled for 3/28/2025

Summit scheduled for June 16th & 17th

Upcoming PAC Meeting Dates

- ▶ March 20, 2025
- ▶ June 6, 2025
- ▶ September 4, 2025
- ▶ December 11, 2025
- ▶ <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/about/leadership/advisory-committees/perinatal-advisory-council>

DSHS Perinatal Level I Meetings 2025

- ▶ April 2, 2025
- ▶ May 7, 2025
- ▶ June 4, 2025
- ▶ August 6, 2025
- ▶ September 3, 2025
- ▶ October 1, 2025
- ▶ November 5, 2025
- ▶ All are scheduled for 2 PM



DSHS Perinatal Level II-IV Meetings 2025

- ▶ March 19, 2025
- ▶ April 16, 2025
- ▶ May 21, 2025
- ▶ June 18, 2025
- ▶ July 16, 2025
- ▶ August 20, 2025
- ▶ All are scheduled for 2 PM



TETAF Tidbits, Mighty Network

TETAF Legislative Workgroup meets bi-weekly to discuss legislative actions pertaining to trauma, emergency and perinatal care; also have a group through Mighty Networks with resources and important dates

“Designation application packet in its entirety including recommendations and OFIs must be a written element of the QAPI plan and must be reviewed through this process”- can be found in the “Designation Process” section of the rules

AWHONN on Capitol Hill April 28th & 29th- topics include Maternal Health for Veterans Act, Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development and Preventing Maternal Deaths Reauthorization Act

“Decoding Designation: Common Potential Deficiencies” recording is available

Dr. Clark will present “Debriefs, Transitions of Care and Patient Handoffs” on March 25th 10AM-11AM

Not from Mighty Networks, but worth a mention- recent Trauma conference attendees shared that the Maternal Registry is being built

UTMB Lunch & Learn

- ▶ March 27th at 11 AM: Dr. Monica Huff will present on congenital syphilis
- ▶ April 16th at 8 AM (will confirm):Dr. Luis Pacheco will present on sepsis
- ▶ May (date TBD) at 11 AM: Joint Neo/OB presentation on umbilical cord management
- ▶ Future topics to include cardiac disease in pregnancy, mental health, trauma informed care, other suggestions.....?

RAC- R Perinatal Project Update

- ▶ CMV rate after failed audiology screening
- ▶ Increase % of newborns who receive human milk as their first feeding and/or increase of newborns breastfeeding at discharge

Patient transfers



Recent reports of transfer verification at UTMB occurring during business hours only. There was a change in the institutional process but this should not apply to our maternal patients. Dr. Pacheco has asked to please inform him directly if any other issues occur.



Suggestions for improving feedback?

Until we meet again....

MMD Meeting this Friday

March 14, 2025

June

Next RAC R General Assembly