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To Texans interested in Medical Disclosure issues:

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission is accepting applications for membership on the Texas Medical Disclosure Panel. The panel advises HHSC on which risks and hazards related to medical care and surgical procedures must be disclosed by health care providers or physicians to their patients or people authorized to consent for their patients and to establish the general form and substance of such disclosure.

The panel is responsible for identifying and making a thorough examination of all medical treatments and surgical procedures in which physicians and health care providers may be involved to determine which treatments and procedures do and do not require disclosure of the risks and hazards to the patient or person authorized to consent for the patient.

The HHS executive commissioner will appoint members to the panel to serve a term expiring Aug. 31, 2028. Currently, HHSC is seeking representatives to be selected from the following categories:

- Person licensed to practice medicine in Texas
- Person licensed to practice law in Texas

A panel member must regularly take part in panel meetings and may also have to take part in subpanel meetings, projects and presentations. Panel meetings will be held in Austin about once every three months or at the call of the presiding officer. *To the extent permitted by the current state budget, a panel member may be repaid for their travel expenses to and from meetings if money is available and in accordance with the HHSC Travel Policy.*

If you would like to apply to serve on the panel, please complete and return the attached application by **May 27**. HHSC prefers that you submit your application electronically, but you may submit the application by email, mail or fax at the following addresses:

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Email:  
HHS\_Appointments@hhs.texas.gov  
Subject: TMDP

Mail:  
Texas Health and Human Services Commission  
P.O. Box 13247, Mail Code 0223  
Austin, TX 78711  
Attn: Susanna Sparkman

Fax:  
512-206-3984  
Attn: TMDP

HHSC will notify applicants if they have been selected to serve as a member of the Texas Medical Disclosure Panel.

In selecting members to serve on the panel, HHSC considers the applicants' qualifications, background and interest in serving on the panel. HHSC tries to choose panel members who represent the diversity of all Texans. For that reason, HHSC considers applicants' ethnicity, gender and geographic location.

For more information about the panel, [visit the panel website](#) or contact Kayla Cates-Brown at [HHSC\\_TMDP@hhsc.state.tx.us](mailto:HHSC_TMDP@hhsc.state.tx.us).

For more information about applying to be on the panel, or for Americans with Disabilities Act accommodations, email Susanna Sparkman at [HHS\\_Appointments@hhs.texas.gov](mailto:HHS_Appointments@hhs.texas.gov) or call 512-438-2897.