

Perinatal Bereavement Care Initiative

Texas Department of State Health Services

Thank you for your interest in the **Perinatal Bereavement Care Initiative (PBCI) trainings** hosted by the **Texas Department of State Health Services**.

PBCI Trainings are in-person only with no virtual option and will be held across the state. Continued Education Credits will be offered to attendees who take part in the entire PBCI training.

Continuing Medical Education:

The Texas Department of State Health Services Continuing Education Program is accredited by the Texas Medical Association to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Texas Department of State Health Services Continuing Education Program designates this live activity for a maximum of 5.75 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Nursing Continuing Professional Development:

The Texas Department of State Health Services Continuing Education Program is accredited as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

The Texas Department of State Health Services Continuing Education Program has designated a maximum of 5.75 contact hours of Nursing Continuing Professional Development.

Licensed Professional Counselors:

The Texas Department of State Health Services Continuing Education Program has designated a maximum of 5.75 contact hours for Licensed Professional Counselors.

Social Workers:

The Texas Department of State Health Services Continuing Education Program has designated a maximum of 5.75 contact hours for Social Workers.

Certificate of Attendance:

The Texas Department of State Health Services Continuing Education Program has designated a maximum of 5.75 hours for attendance.

Below are the dates and registration deadlines for all five training sessions. Only register for one training session. There are a limited number of seats available per training session, so register early.

Location	Training Date	Registration Deadline	Registration Link	Hotel Booking Deadline
Austin	April 20, 2026	April 13, 2026	Link	April 3, 2026
Houston	April 29, 2026	April 22, 2026	Link	April 21, 2026
Grapevine	May 6, 2026	April 29, 2026	Link	April 11, 2026
Lubbock	May 21, 2026	May 14, 2026	Link	May 6, 2026
Corpus Christi	June 2, 2026	May 26, 2026	Link	May 18, 2026

For more details on the upcoming meeting, please see the [agenda](#).

Hospital Travel Team

DSHS recommends sending no more than two team members from each hospital. To help with our planning, please have **all** participating travel team members complete the registration form. If your hospital would like to bring more than 2 team members, please email PerinatalBereavement@dshs.texas.gov with your request for consideration.

Travel Scholarships Available

DSHS is happy to offer a **limited number** of attendee travel scholarships. Eligible attendees must:

- Reside more than 50 miles from the training session venue; and
- Apply for a scholarship through the steps below.

To apply for a scholarship:

- Register for the event;
- Check "YES" to needing a scholarship on your registration form; **and**
- Email PerinatalBereavementCare@dshs.texas.gov no later than **the deadline listed below**. Please include **your hospital's name** and "**Travel Scholarship Request**" in the subject line; and
- Include key traveler(s) details (e.g., name, contact information, and location you are traveling from to attend the event) and a brief statement of why you are requesting the scholarship.
- Reserve your hotel room using our online booking link before the deadline to receive our discounted rate.
- Due to limited scholarship availability, please only apply if you plan to attend the event.

Scholarship Deadlines:

Location	Scholarship Deadline
Austin	March 16, 2026
Houston	March 24, 2026
Grapevine	March 31, 2026

Lubbock	April 8, 2026
Corpus Christi	April 21, 2026

If your travel scholarship is approved, the PBCI event team will coordinate with the event hotel to cover eligible lodging and parking fees.

Please note that **travel scholarships will only cover lodging and hotel parking if booked through our discounted group rate room block.** Rooms booked outside of the PBCI room block are ineligible for scholarship coverage.

Please email dshs@iemshows.com with questions about travel scholarship requirements.