

Congratulate Fort Bend County Health and Human Services

Public Health Preparedness Team

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- Recognized by National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) for their ability to plan for, respond to and recover from public health emergencies
 - Fort Bend County **Met and exceeded** nationally recognized standards in the following:
 - All hazards preparedness planning
 - Workforce capacity development
 - Readiness through exercise and or real event response
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- **Only 34 agencies nationwide received this recognition**
 - **Fort Bend is the only one in Texas**

Thank you for your commitment to public health preparedness!

(also present: Dr Kendrick, Kaye Reynolds, Ninfa Vasquez and Jessica Shephard)

National Recognition of Fort Bend County Health & Human Services' Emergency Preparedness Program by ***Project Public Health Ready*** at the 2017 National Preparedness Summit in Atlanta, Georgia, April 27, 2017:

- Project Public Health Ready (PPHR) is a competency-based training and recognition program that assesses preparedness and response capabilities to respond to local emergencies.
- The PPHR criteria are nationally recognized standards for local public health preparedness programs and are updated regularly to align with federal initiatives such as the:
 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Public Health Emergency Preparedness capabilities
 - Public Health Accreditation Board's (PHAB) Standards and Measures
 - National Incident Management System (NIMS), and the
 - Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP)

The Fort Bend County Health & Human Services Public Health Emergency Preparedness program:

- Met and/or exceeded the nationally recognized standards set forth by the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO), and as determined by a set of no fewer than 5 national reviewers from local health departments across the country, consisting of more than 300 variables for local public health emergency preparedness and response.
- Demonstrated proficiency in each of the three categorical areas:
 - All-hazards preparedness planning
 - Workforce capacity development
 - Readiness through exercise and/or real event response
- Demonstrated exemplary practices in coordination and integration with local and regional response partners and other stakeholders.
- Demonstrated a commitment to ongoing quality improvement through the use of recognized improvement models for sustainable planning, training and exercise practices.