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Youth Camp Advisory Committee Meeting **March 25, 2025 10 a.m.**

Department State Health Services
Robert D. Moreton Bldg. Room M-100
1100 W. 49th St. Austin, Texas 78756



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Agenda item # 1

- Welcome, call to order, and roll call. (Chair- Dan Neal)



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Agenda item # 2

- Annual Election of committee chairperson. (Chair)



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Agenda item # 3

Review and approval of the meeting minutes as written from the last meeting of the Youth Camp Advisory Committee - October 2, 2024. (Chair)



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Agenda item # 4

Three Youth Camp Advisory Committee membership positions will be vacant August 31, 2025.

(Jeff Mantia)

Youth Camp Advisory Committee New Members Needed

If you or someone you know may be interested in serving on the Youth Camp Advisory Committee please visit the committee webpage [Advisory Committee - Youth Camp Program | Texas DSHS](#) for more details and how to apply.



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Agenda item # 5

Program licensing, inspection, and enforcement numbers for FY 2024. (Jeff Mantia)



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FY '24 YOUTH CAMP INFORMATION

September 1, 2023-August 31, 2024

Inspection numbers FY '24



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Youth Camps Licensed	Youth Camps Inspected	Youth Camps NOT Inspected
374	352	22
	(94%)	(7%)
<u>Additional inspections:</u> 3 pre-licensure inspections 2 compliant investigations		

Compliance Cases FY '24

- **1 case sent to Compliance Review and was assessed \$625 in administrative penalties. (lacking documentation of an on-call physician as a second occurrence, penalty paid in full.)**



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Agenda item # 6

- Youth Camp rule revision items suggested by committee from the previous meeting, program updates. (Jeff Mantia)



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Program recommendations

- a. Horseback riding program rule requirement 265.17(f)(2)(C) for campers and instructional staff to wear helmets. Request this rule be removed or made optional for staff to wear helmets.

Program decision is to keep rule as it is currently written with no change.



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Program recommendations

- b. Provide options, under rule 265.15(a) on-call physician, to include on-call Physician's Assistant (PA), or on-call Nurse Practitioner (NP).

Program decision is to include this edit in a current rule revision project.



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Program recommendations

- c. Clarify whether a camp health officer is required for fields trips, when some campers remain at the camp facility. Program decision to add a requirement for an adult staff member currently certified in AED, CPR, and first-aid to accompany campers on off-site field trips in the current rule revision project.

Program decision is to include this edit in a current rule revision project.

Youth Camp Upcoming Rule Revisions

A camp rule revision project is underway with input from the Youth Camp Advisory Committee and Youth Camp program staff.

Over the next several months please visit the Youth Camp laws and rules page for any updates concerning rule changes and open comment periods here:

[Laws and Rules - Youth Camp Program | Texas DSHS](#)



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Agenda item # 7

- Discussion regarding possible training recommendations to protect and support the behavioral health of campers. (Brandon Briery and Dan Neal)



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Agenda item # 8

- Public Comment (any member may also provide comment)



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Agenda item # 9

Set next meeting date (Chair)

Potential dates:

Thursday October 2, 2025

Tuesday October 7, 2025

Tuesday October 14, 2025



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Agenda item # 10

Adjourn (Chair--any member may make a motion to adjourn)



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Thank you for your participation

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