

NMDOH Program Abstract Submission Instructions

The Texas Consortium

The Texas Consortium for on Non-Medical Drivers of Health (Texas Consortium) was created to improve health outcomes and reduce health disparities through investment by health systems in Non-Medical Drivers of Health (NMDOH). This consortium is led by the Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy and the University of Texas School of Public Health's Center for Health Care Data.

The Texas Consortium is building a virtual resource hub to meet our members' needs. The first offering in the resource hub will be an online searchable index of NMDOH programs, as described below. We look forward to building a robust platform for your use.

NMDOH Program Index

What is it?

Initially, the resource hub will provide a searchable index of NMDOH programs in Texas that are sponsored by health system entities, which includes health or hospital systems, health plans, educational institutions (medical school, nursing school), clinics, and ambulatory practices. Each program will be described in a standardized abstract with fields including program sponsor, driver(s) of health addressed, target population(s), health condition(s) addressed, location, description of program, and evaluation status.

Why are we building this?

The NMDOH program index will serve as a tool to connect stakeholders and disseminate knowledge to support the development of the NMDOH field. At present, no single repository of information about the work taking place in Texas exists. To advance the field of NMDOH, we must understand what kinds of programs are working, for what populations, under what circumstances, and with what costs and benefits. This process begins with collecting information about each program across the state.

Who will benefit from this?

Users of the program index will be multi-stakeholder including researchers, policymakers, and practitioners.

- Researchers may want to review past programs' evaluations to inform their own evaluations, or they may find programs in need of evaluation;
- Policymakers may be interested in the breadth of programs offered in Texas as they develop relevant legislation; and

• Practitioners may be interested in starting their own NMDOH program and see value in connecting with administrators of successfully implemented programs.

How can your NMDOH program(s) be included in the index?

We invite health system entities to collaborate with us in creating complete, accurate abstracts of the programs you are sponsoring. Below you will find a list of the components of the abstract, instructions to guide you in submitting abstracts for inclusion in the index, and a sample abstract. Texas Consortium managers will review submitted abstracts and may edit them for clarity or consistency prior to inclusion in the index. Managers can provide guidance as you begin drafting your abstracts.

Program abstract submission form

We are collecting abstract data through Qualtrics XM.

Program abstract fields

The program abstract is organized into 11 fields, described below, each of which must be completed. To maintain consistency across abstracts and enhance searchability, seven fields will require the submitting entity to select one or more sub-categories or "tags" related to the field. Two fields are open ended (Program Name, Program Webpage), and two fields require short narrative responses (Program Description, Funding).

Fields	Definition
Program Name	Title of the NMDOH program offered
Sponsor	Name of the health system entity that sponsors the NMDOH program
Non-Medical Driver(s) of	The non-medical contributor(s) to health risks or outcomes
Health	targeted by the program
Target Population	Intended beneficiaries of the program
Health Condition	Health/medical diagnosis that the non-medical intervention aims to improve
County(ies)	Where the program is offered
Program Description	Brief overview of how the program is delivered (100 words maximum)
Funding	The funding source of the program (i.e., health system operating budget, federal grant)
Active/inactive	Whether or not the program is currently active
Evaluation	Whether or not the program has been evaluated
Program Web-page	Program-specific landing page with additional information

Program abstract tags

The tags associated with the seven searchable fields are listed below. When you create an abstract in Qualtrics, you will be asked to select applicable tags for each field.

Sponsor

- Health/Hospital System
- Health Plan (Medicare Advantage, Medicaid, Dual Eligible, Other)
- Educational Institution
- Clinic/Ambulatory Practice

Other

Non-Medical Driver(s) of Health

- Air/Water Quality
- Built Environment
- Childcare
- Community Safety/Violence
- Criminal Justice
- Discrimination/Racism
- Economic Security
- Education
- Food/Hunger/Nutrition

Target population

- Early Childhood (age 0-5 years)
- Children and Youth
- Elderly (age 65+)
- Homeless
- Immigrants
- Medicaid
- Medicare

Health Conditions

- Diabetes
- Hypertension
- Asthma
- Pregnancy

County(ies)

• A map will enable county selection(s)

Active/Inactive

- Active
- Inactive

Evaluation

- Yes
- No

- Housing
- Immigration
- Legal Services
- Physical Activity/Exercise
- Social Support/Social Isolation
- Substance use
- Transportation
- Other
- Uninsured
- Reproductive/Maternal Health
- Veterans
- Disabled
- LGBTQ+
- Other
- Mental Health Diagnosis
- Obesity/Overweight
- Other

Sample abstract

Below is a mock-up of the abstract as it will appear in the program index.

Program Name: Sample Food Farmacy Program

Program Description: Sample Health System screens all diabetic patients at its ambulatory clinics for food insecurity and provides special interventions, and provides a food prescription to those screening positive. The food prescription enables the patient to receive home delivery of 30 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables every two weeks for several months. The patients are also given education and nutritional guidance from a nurse-educator or dietician and personal assistance in qualifying for other social services. 975 patients have participated in the program over a 3 year period with improvements in health outcomes for 74% of participants.

Funding: This program is funded through the health system's operating budget

Program Web-Page: https://www.TexasHealthSystem.org

Sponsor

• Hospital/Health System

Non-Medical Driver of Health

Food/Hunger/Nutrition

Target Population

- Uninsured
- Medicaid

Health Condition

- Diabetes
- Hypertension

County(ies)

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Active

Yes

Evaluation

Yes