



Texas Perinatal Services NEWSLETTER

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Is it Time to Schedule Your Re-Designation Survey?

Re-designation surveys need to be completed no less than six to eight months prior to a hospital's expiration date. This allows for a timely submission of the re-designation application, along with the required survey-supporting documentation that goes to the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) requesting re-designation.

In November 2016, TETAF's Texas Perinatal Services launched the survey process to review hospitals seeking designation of their neonatal units. Since then, 232 hospitals have been designated by DSHS with 79% of the Level 2, 3, and 4 hospitals surveyed by TETAF.

Designations are awarded for three years and many hospitals have scheduled or plan to schedule their re-designation survey with TETAF. It is not too early to request your survey if your expiration date is anytime in 2019, 2020, or the first six months of 2021.

Complete a Request for Survey at www.texasperinatalservices.org.

Maternal Care Designation Rules: The Journey to Better Maternal Outcomes

If your hospital is seeking a Level 1 or Level 2 maternal care designation, Texas Perinatal Services' Carla Rider details what hospital staff needs to know for successfully receiving these designations.

Learn more in her article featured in the [Summer issue of TORCH Rural Matters](#).

TPS' Carla Rider to Speak at TNANN Conference

[Carla Rider](#), perinatal program director for Texas Perinatal Services, will speak during the Texas National Association of Neonatal Nurses (TNANN) conference in Dallas on Tuesday, September 10. The topic will be neonatal designation.

Rider is on the planning committee for TNANN.

REMINDER: Register Now for "Implementing Perinatal Quality Improvement" Conference

TPS is bringing a renowned quality improvement conference to Texas. TPS and the Texas EMS, Trauma & Acute Care Foundation partnered with the Institute for Perinatal Quality Improvement to bring the “Implementing Perinatal Quality Improvement Conference” to [Texas Health Dallas on Friday, October 11](#).

TPS hospitals can attend at a reduced price using the registration code TETAFTPSCLIENT to save \$50 off registration fees. **This code expires September 5.**

Our June TPS Forum presenter and the Institute’s founder, Dr. Debra Bingham, will be the featured speaker during the all-day conference.

Next Perinatal Forum - August 26

Texas Perinatal Services (TPS) hosts its next Perinatal Forum on Monday, August 26 at 1:00 p.m. If you have not previously joined one of the exclusive, educational online forums, contact [Carla Rider](#) to register.

Upcoming Events

August 26 – TPS’ Perinatal Forum

September 10 – TNANN Conference

September 24 – Perinatal Advisory Council Meeting

September 24 – TETAF Board Meeting



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