

#### TEXAS Health and Human Services

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## **Virtual EMS System Inspection**

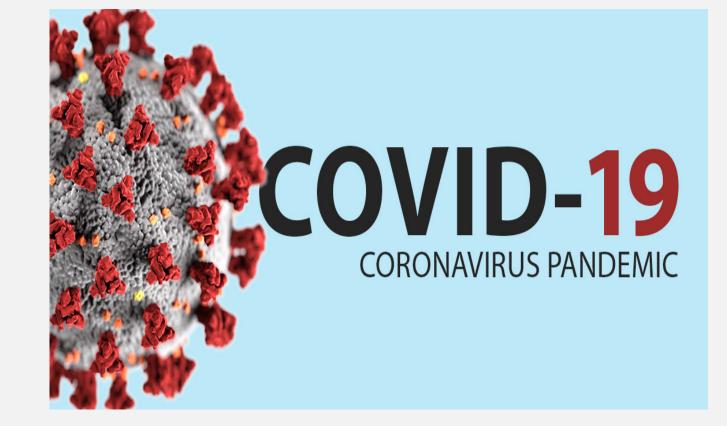
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## How do we do our job?

Protect the public we service and our most valuable asset the TEAM we work with?



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# **TEXAS**by the numbers







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#### Challenges to keep the system moving forward



- 2020 Annual dispatches 5.5 million
- Daily dispatches 15,068
- Dispatches per hour 627
- Dispatches every minute of the day 10

### **EMS Providers and FROs in Texas**



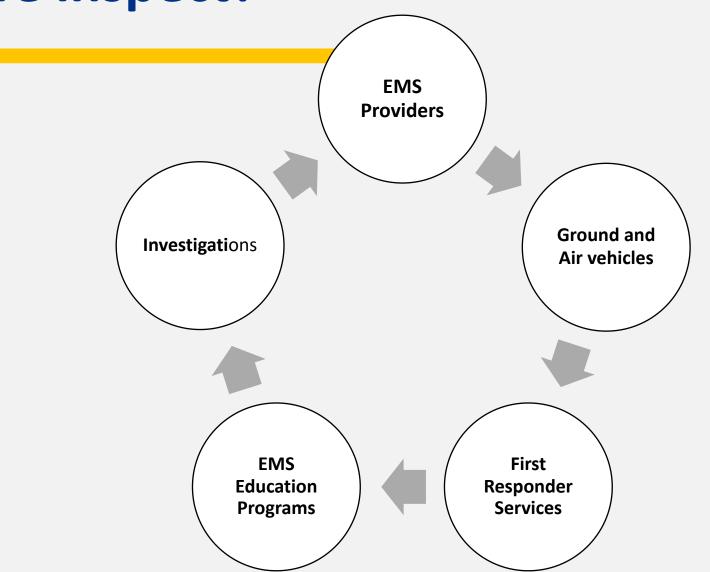


### **Texas EMS Personnel**

- Emergency Care Attendant/EMR 2221
- Emergency Medical Technician 35,445
- Advance Emergency Medical Technician 3358
- Paramedic **28,036**
- Total on 2/6/2020: **67,907**
- Total on 10/9/2020: 69,060

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### Who do we inspect?



#### Process

Regional staff review protocols and equipment list

**Communicate with** Provider or Program and agree on a time and platform to work from

Application arrives in the state off, and reviewed by our licensure division, than forward to our regional office

## **PROs and CONs**

- Faster turn around
- Saving of time and cost
- Decrease risk to our TEAM members
- Flexibility for our stakeholders and Team for scheduling
- We do not give up our right to do an onsite inspection

- Relationships building
- Harder to pick up on other issues
- You cannot see what's going on around the inspection

### Since March 2020 **153** Inspection of vehicles and EMS **Education Programs** Saved \$30,580 in travel cost Saved **750** staff hours by not traveling

### Lesson Learned

- Coordinate with the Provider/Program the best available video capable options.
- Possibly test a connection prior to Inspection date to insure operability.
- Insist if possible the Provider/Program have additional personnel to participate as "camera person". This should improve the continuity and efficiency of the Inspection/Survey.
- Request the equipment and medications be set out and organized to be easily videoed for confirmation, possibly on a table or on the floor.

## Thank you!

#### Presentation title

**Contact Information**