

Annual Participation Fees

Facilities with...	Annual Fee	One-time Setup Fee
<50 beds*	\$0 (grant funded)	\$500
50-100 beds	\$2500	\$1000
101-150 beds	\$3500	\$1500
>150 beds	\$5000	\$2000

*Licensed beds

Fostering Collaboration

for **POSITIVE CHANGE**

About the Texas PSO

The Texas Patient Safety Organization (TXPSO) was established pursuant to the Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005. TXPSO is one of the first federally certified PSOs in the country approved to serve as an independent, external expert to assist healthcare providers collect, analyze and aggregate patient safety work products locally, regionally and nationally. TXPSO works with healthcare organizations and providers to collect patient safety work product. On a quarterly basis, TXPSO will analyze an aggregate of the data submitted by all participating entities and disseminate the results to the providers in a non-identifiable way.

The Texas PSO Program is provided through collaboration between the TORCH Foundation and the Texas Patient Safety Organization, and funded by the Texas Department of Rural Affairs.

TXPSO Program...

Focuses on the *processes* involved, rather than the people involved. Every provider in Texas that wants to preserve the privilege of conducting self-improvement with strong federal confidentiality and privilege protections now have the opportunity to network with other safety and performance

Texas PSO...

Dedicated to maximizing patient safety, reducing medical errors and improving the quality of healthcare in Texas by providing systems of data reporting, collection, analysis and dissemination



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TEXAS PATIENT SAFETY ORGANIZATION PROGRAM

*Your Partner in Improving Healthcare
Quality*



Collaboration between
TORCH Foundation
Texas Patient Safety Organization

Funded by
Texas Department of Rural Affairs

PSO TEXAS

WORKING TOGETHER TO BUILD
a Safer Healthcare System



Texas Patient Safety Organization Program

The TORCH Foundation was awarded a grant from the Texas Department of Rural Affairs (TDRA) to support the Texas Patient Safety Organization (TXPSO) program for rural and community hospitals in Texas. The purpose of the TXPSO program is to help hospitals and healthcare providers to voluntarily submit and analyze information about incidences in which patients were adversely affected in order to mitigate future adverse events.

The Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005 (Patient Safety Act) authorizes the creation of PSOs to improve quality and safety by reducing the occurrence of events that adversely affect patients. The Patient Safety Act establishes strong Federal confidentiality and privilege protections for information to create a secure environment where clinicians and healthcare organizations can voluntarily report and analyze patient safety data, such as near misses and incidences, to help identify root causes of adverse events, reduce risks, promote rapid learning and develop best practices.

This grant-funded program is a unique opportunity for you to access the TXPSO services to support your risk management effort.



Don't Miss Out, Register to Participate Today!

Benefits to Hospitals & Providers

The Texas PSO program provides many significant benefits, including:

- ✓ **Strong federal confidentiality and privilege protections** so that healthcare organizations and clinicians can report, aggregate and analyze patient safety events, medical errors and quality information without fear of legal discovery or additional liability
- ✓ **Facility-specific and aggregated analysis** of submitted incident reports for comparison and benchmarking to help hospitals learn from the experiences of others (all reported data is de-identified, confidential and protected)
- ✓ **Online access to comparative data and reports** to help improve processes and develop best practices
- ✓ **Use of Common Formats** to collect, track and submit standardized information regarding a range of patient safety events, including incidents, near misses and unsafe conditions for comparison and analysis of similar cases among similar providers (Common Formats optimize the opportunity to compare trends and identify patterns underlying the causes of patient safety problems)
- ✓ **Opportunity to network** with safety and performance specialists
- ✓ **Grant funding** to strengthen your culture of patient safety and risk management without incurring significant out-of-pocket cost

To Participate

Grant funding is available to all rural and community hospitals under 50 licensed beds to access the PSO services at no cost (except for a one-time setup fee of \$500). To participate, simply complete the form below and fax to the TORCH Foundation at **(512) 873-0046** or e-mail to Quang Ngo at **quang.ngo@torchnet.org**.

Participant Information

Facility Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Fax (____) _____

E-mail _____

Authorized Person _____

Title _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Signature confirms that all information provided herein is accurate, that the signor is legally authorized to represent and act on behalf of the above organization, and that the organization understands, accepts and agrees to the terms and provisions of the Texas PSO Program.