

DIALYSIS CENTER AT QUENTIN MEASE (DC) GOVERNING BODY

Thursday, February 19, 2026

9:45 AM

(or immediately following the Ambulatory Surgical Center at LBJ Governing Body meeting)

BOARD ROOM

4800 Fournace Place, Bellaire, Texas 77401

The meeting may be viewed online at: <http://harrishealthtx.swagit.com/live>.

Notice: Some members of the Governing Body may participate by videoconference.

Mission

Harris Health is a public, integrated health system dedicated to improving the health of our communities by delivering high-quality, person-centered care in collaboration with community and academic partners.

AGENDA

I.	Call to Order and Record of Attendance	Ms. Libby Viera-Bland	1 min
II.	<u>Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting</u>	Ms. Libby Viera-Bland	2 min
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC Governing Body Meeting – November 20, 2025 		
III.	Executive Session	Ms. Libby Viera-Bland	20 min
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. <u>Report by the Executive Vice President, Chief Compliance and Risk Officer, Regarding Compliance with Medicare, Medicaid, HIPAA and Other Federal and State Healthcare Program Requirements and a Status of Fraud and Abuse Investigations, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, Including Possible Action Regarding this Matter Upon Return to Open Session – Ms.Carolynn Jones and Ms. Vivian Ho-Nguyen</u> 		(10 min)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B. <u>Report Regarding Quality of Medical and Healthcare, Pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §160.007 and Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032 to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Report in Connection with the Evaluation of the Quality of Medical and Healthcare Services, the DC Quality Scorecard, Quality Review Committee Report and Medical Executive Committee Report, Including Possible Action Upon Return to Open Session – Dr. Matasha Russell, Dr. Kevin Erickson and Dr. Lori Timmons</u> 		(10 min)
IV.	Reconvene	Ms. Libby Viera-Bland	1 min
V.	DC Leadership Report	Ms. Libby Viera-Bland	5 min
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Report Regarding Medical Staff Operations, Clinical Operations, Statistical Analysis of Services Performed and Operational Opportunities at the Dialysis Center, Including Questions and Answers – Dr. Kevin Erickson and Dr. Lori Timmons 		
VI.	Adjournment	Ms. Libby Viera-Bland	1 min

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AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS
I. Call to Order and Record of Attendance	The meeting was called to order at 9:33 A.M. by Ms. Libby Viera-Bland, Chair. A quorum was noted as present, and attendance was recorded. Some Board members attended in person while others participated by videoconference, in accordance with state law and the Harris Health Videoconferencing Policy. Only scheduled speakers were provided dial-in information; the public was able to view the meeting live via the Harris Health website at http://harrishealthtx.swagit.com/live .	A copy of the attendance is appended to the archived minutes.
II. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC at Quentin Mease Governing Body Meeting – August 21, 2025 	<p><u>Motion No. 25.11 – 06</u></p> <p>Moved by Dr. Lori Timmons, seconded by Ms. Carol Paret, and unanimously approved that the Governing Body adopt the minutes of the August 21, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.</p>
III. Executive Session	At 9:34 A.M., Ms. Viera – Bland announced that the that the HHDC would enter into Executive Session for Items A and B as permitted by law under Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032 and Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §160.007.	
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	B. Report Regarding Quality of Medical and Healthcare, Pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §160.007 and Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032 will receive a Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Report in Connection with the Evaluation of the Quality of Medical and Healthcare Services, including DC Governing Body Quality Scorecard Report, Quality Review Committee Report and Medical Executive Committee Report, including possible action upon return to Open Session.	No Action Taken.

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IV. Reconvene	At 9:47 A.M., Ms. Viera – Bland reconvened the meeting in open session, confirmed a quorum, and noted that no action was taken in Executive Session.	
V. General Action Item(s)		
	A. General Action Item(s) Related to Policies and Procedures	
	<p>1. Approval of the Amended Policies and Procedures for the Dialysis Center at Quentin Mease</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy 8.09: Governance of and Patient Care at Harris Health Dialysis Center at Quentin Mease • Policy 4524: Peritoneal Dialysis in the Home <p>Dr. Lori Timmons, Director, Ambulatory Nursing, stated that two policies requiring approval in January 2026 were undergoing final review by the department and Corporate Compliance. Policy 8.09, Governance of and Patient Care at Harris Health Dialysis Center at Quentin Mease, and Policy 4524, Peritoneal Dialysis in the Home. She noted that the edits were minimal and included removal of “Riverside” references to reflect the name change, updates to citations, realignment of text, and incorporation of material previously located in appendices into the main body of Policy 4524. Copies of the policies are available in the permanent record.</p>	<p><u>Motion No. 25.11 – 07</u></p> <p>Moved by Mr. Matthew Reeder, seconded by Ms. Carol Paret, and unanimously approved item V.A.1. Motion carried.</p>
VI. DC at Quentin Mease Leadership Report		
	<p>A. Report Regarding Medical Staff Operations, Clinical Operations, Statistical Analysis of Services Performed and Operational Opportunities at the Dialysis Center, Including Questions and Answers</p> <p>The Governing Body received the report regarding medical staff operations, clinical operations, statistical analyses of services performed, and operational opportunities at the Dialysis Center. Dr. Kevin Erickson, Medical Director, HHDC, reported on recent advancements in the peritoneal dialysis (PD) program, noting collaboration with Baylor College of Medicine’s PD champion, Dr. Hania Kassem, to establish a streamlined process for inpatient placement of peritoneal dialysis catheters. Many patients arrive at the hospital without prior nephrology care, and the new process enables timely home visits by dialysis nurses within 24 to 48 hours, coordination with surgeons for inpatient catheter placement, and utilization of transitional hemodialysis chairs during the two-week catheter healing period.</p>	

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	<p>This initiative has resulted in a notable increase in admissions to the PD program over the past two months, with further growth anticipated. The program has expanded from two to three transitional dialysis chairs to accommodate the volume and may require additional expansion. Dr. Erickson noted that Dr. Kassem remained actively engaged and supportive of program growth.</p> <p>Dr. Lori Timmons, Director, Ambulatory Nursing, added that the Dialysis Center team participated in the Ambulatory Care Services (ACS) Quality Week poster competition and that the Center has been invited to serve as a guest panelist at the 2026 National Kidney Foundation meeting in February 2026 to discuss the program’s development and achievements. She further reported that the dialysis vendor, Dialysis Products, has expressed full support of the Center’s initiatives and stands ready to assist in efforts to expand the program.</p>	
<p>VII. Adjournment</p>	<p>There being no further business and without objection from the members of the Governing Body, the meeting adjourned at 9:52 A.M.</p>	

I certify that the foregoing are the Minutes of the Harris Health System Dialysis Center at Quentin Mease Governing Body Meeting held on November 20, 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

Libby Viera – Bland, AICP, ASC at DC at QM Governing Body Chair

Minutes transcribed by Cherry A. Joseph, MBA

Thursday, November 20, 2025
Harris Health Dialysis Center (DC) at Quentin Mease Governing Body Attendance

GOVERING BODY MEMBERS PRESENT	GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Libby Viera-Bland <i>(Governing Body Chair)</i>		Carol Paret
Dr. Kevin Erickson		
Dr. Lori Timmons		
Matthew Reeder		
Philip Sun		

HARRIS HEALTH EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP, STAFF & SPECIAL INVITED GUESTS	
Cherry Joseph	John Matcek
Daniel Smith	Louis Smith
Ebon Swofford <i>(Harris County Attorney's Office)</i>	Maria Cowles
Enrique Valdez	Dr. Matasha Russell
Dr. Esmaeil Porsa <i>(President & CEO, Harris Health)</i>	Micah Rodriguez
Dr. Jackie Brock	Sara Thomas <i>(Harris County Attorney's Office)</i>
Dr. Jennifer Small	Shawn DeCosta
Jennifer Zarate	Dr. Thomas Cummins
Jerald Summers	Vivian Ho-Nguyen

Virtual Attendee Notice: *If you joined as a group and would like to be counted as present, please submit an email to: BoardofTrustees@harrishealth.org before close of business the day of the meeting.*

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Executive Session

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Carolynn Jones, JD, CHC
Executive Vice President, Chief Compliance and Risk Officer

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