

BOARD OF TRUSTEES Quality Committee

Tuesday, September 22, 2026 | 12:00 PM
4800 Fournace Place, Bellaire, Texas 77401 | 1st Floor Board Room

*Notice: The meeting may be viewed online at: <http://harrishealthtx.swagit.com/live>,
and some Board Members may participate via 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

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| 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"> • Quality Committee Meeting – August 25, 2026 | |
| III. <u>Harris Health Safety Message: Minute for Medicine Video</u>
<u>Dr. Thomas Cummins</u> | 5 min |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Line Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI) | |
| IV. Executive Session | Ms. Libby Viera-Bland 80 min |
| A. <u>Report Regarding Quality of Medical and Healthcare, Pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §§151.002, 160.007 and Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Reports in Connection with the Evaluation of the Quality of Medical and Healthcare Services, Including Report Regarding Harris Health Quality Review Councils, and Possible Action Regarding this Matter Upon Return to Open Session</u> <u>Dr. Thomas Cummins</u> | (75 min) |
| B. <u>Report by the Executive Vice President, Chief Compliance and Risk Officer, Regarding Compliance with Medicare, Medicaid, HIPAA and Other Federal and State Health Care Program Requirements and a Status of Fraud and Abuse Investigations, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, and Possible Action Regarding this Matter Upon Return to Open Session</u> <u>Ms.Carolynn Jones and Ms. Vivian Ho-Nguyen</u> | (5 min) |
| V. Reconvene | Ms. Libby Viera-Bland 1 min |
| VI. Adjournment | Ms. Libby Viera-Bland 1 min |

HARRIS HEALTH
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
QUALITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, August 25, 2026

12:00 PM (or immediately following the Governance Committee meeting)

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS
I. Call to Order and Record of Attendance	Dr. Andrea Caracostis, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M. It was noted there was a quorum present, and the attendance was recorded. The meeting may be viewed online through the Harris Health website: http://harrishealthtx.swagit.com/live .	
II. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting Quality Committee Meeting – June 23, 2026		Moved by Dr. Marlen Trujillo, seconded by Ms. Libby Viera – Bland, and unanimously approved the minutes of the June 23, 2026, meeting. Motion carried.
III. Harris Health Safety Message: Minute for Medicine Video Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infection (CAUTI)	Dr. Thomas Cummins, Executive Vice President & Chief Medical Executive, introduced the Harris Health Safety Message, a Minute for Medicine video regarding Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infections (CAUTI). The presentation emphasized the importance of infection prevention and patient safety practices to reduce the incidence of CAUTI. The video highlighted the importance of evaluating the continued need for urinary catheters and removing them at the earliest appropriate time, utilizing aseptic technique, maintaining a closed drainage system and unobstructed urine flow, and consistently practicing hand hygiene. The presentation also noted that certain patient populations may be at increased risk for CAUTI. A copy of the video series is included in the permanent record.	As Presented.
IV. Executive Session	At 12:10 p.m., Dr. Caracostis stated that the Quality Committee of the Board of Trustees would go into Executive Session for items IV. 'A through C' as permitted by law under Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §§151.002 and 160.007 and Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032.	

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS
A. Quarterly Report Regarding Harris Health Correctional Health Quality of Medical and Healthcare, Pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §§151.002, 160.007 and Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Report, and Possible Action Regarding this Matter Upon Return to Open Session		No Action Taken.
B. Report Regarding Quality of Medical and Healthcare, Pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §§151.002, 160.007 and Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Reports in Connection with the Evaluation of the Quality of Medical and Healthcare Services, Including Report Regarding Harris Health Quality Review Councils, and Possible Action Regarding this Matter Upon Return to Open Session		No Action Taken.

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V. Reconvene	At 1:23 p.m., Dr. Caracostis reconvened the meeting in open session; she noted that a quorum was present, and that no action was taken in Executive Session.	
VI. Adjournment	There being no further business and without objection from the Members of the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:23 p.m.	

I certify that the foregoing are the Minutes of the Meeting of the Quality Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Harris Health System held on August 25, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Caracostis, MD, MPH, Committee Chair

Recorded by Cherry A. Joseph, MBA

Board of Trustees
Quality Committee I Tuesday, August 25, 2026
ATTENDANCE RECORD

PRESENT BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBERS	ABSENT BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBERS	OTHER PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS
Andrea Caracostis, MD, MPH (<i>Committee Chair</i>)	Libby Viera-Bland, AICP	
Shubhada Hooli, MD, MPH	Marlen Trujillo, PhD, MBA, CHW	

PRESENT EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP, STAFF & GUESTS	
Alexander Barrie	Jessey Thomas
Amineh Kostov	John Matcek
Anthony Williams	Dr. Joseph Kunisch
Berrlyn Nelson	Lindsay Lanagan
Carolynn Jones	Louis Smith
Cherry Joseph	Maria Cowles
Daniel Smith	Dr. Matasha Russell
Derek Curtis	Randy Manarang
Derek Holmes	Dr. Sandeep Markan
Ebon Swofford (<i>Harris County Attorney's Office</i>)	Sara Thomas (<i>Harris County Attorney's Office</i>)
Dr. Esmaeil Porsa (<i>CEO & President, Harris Health</i>)	Shawn DeCosta
Dr. Glorimar Medina	Stephanie Garrett
Ja'Porsha Comeaux	Dr. Thomas Cummins
Dr. Jackie Brock	Dr. Tien Ko
Jennifer Small	Tiffani Dusang
Jennifer Zarate	Dr. Yashwant Chathampally

Virtual Attendee Notice: If you joined as a group and would like your attendance to be added to the official record, please submit an email to: BoardofTrustees@harrishealth.org before the close of business on the day of the meeting.

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[Harris Health Safety Message: Minute for Medicine Video](#)

Minute for Medicine Video:

- Central Line Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI)



Yashwant Chathampally, MD, MSc
Associate CMO & SVP – Quality & Patient Safety

High Reliability Organization (HRO) Safety Message

Central Line Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI)

**Thomas Cummins, MD, MMM
EVP, Chief Medical Executive**

**Board of Trustees Quality Committee
September 22, 2026**

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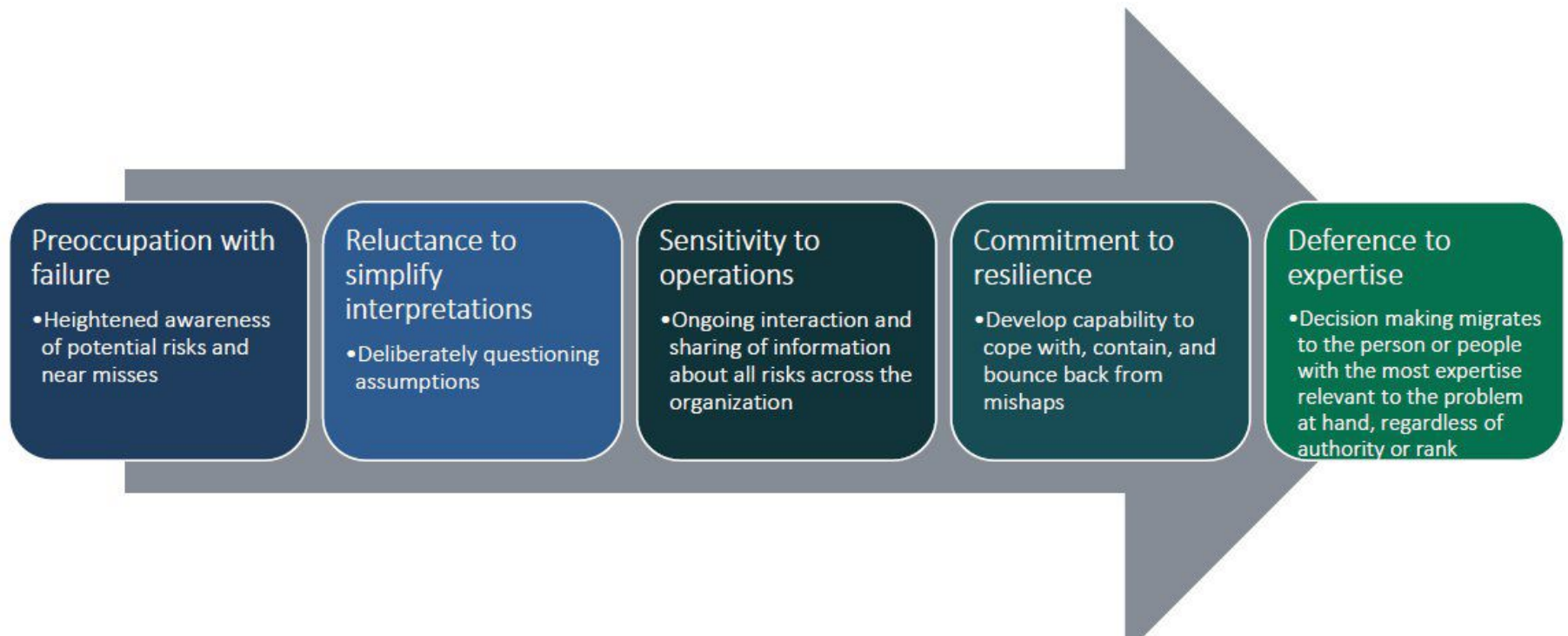
SAFETY MESSAGE

HARRIS | **ZERO**
HEALTH | **HARM**

SAFETY 1ST. ALWAYS.

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Five Principles of a High Reliability Organization



HRO Video:

Harris Health Minute For Medicine:

- Central Line Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI)
- <https://youtu.be/RsWqsFVkZo8>

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Executive Session

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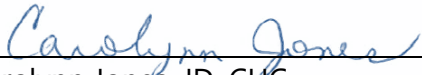
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Carolynn Jones, JD, CHC

Executive Vice President, Chief Compliance and Risk Officer

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