The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is accepting applications from the Texas State Board of Pharmacy and the pharmaceutical industry to serve on the HHSC e-Health Advisory Committee. This committee will advise the HHS system on, strategic planning, policy, rules, and services related to the use of health information technology, health information exchange systems, telemedicine, telehealth, and home telemonitoring services.

The Advisory Committee will seek input from the health information technology, telemedicine, and telemonitoring communities on issues listed in the committee's annual report. The Advisory Committee must produce formal recommendations to HHS on how to implement health information technology and health information in support of HHS services and public health.

The Executive Commissioner will appoint members of the e-Health Advisory Committee to serve a term of two years. We invite you to apply as either a member or representative of the Texas State Board of Pharmacy or the pharmaceutical industry. At this time, HHSC is seeking applications for:

- At least one representative from the Texas State Board of Pharmacy
- At least one representative of the pharmaceutical industry

The Advisory Committee will include key stakeholders as determined appropriate by agency Commissioners. The Advisory Committee will include the following:

- At least two voting, ex officio representatives from HHSC
- At least one voting, ex officio representative from the DSHS
- At least one representative from the Texas Medical Board
- At least one representative from the Texas Board of Nursing
- At least one representative from the Texas State Board of Pharmacy
- At least one representative from the Statewide Health Coordinating Council
- At least one representative of a managed care organization
- At least one representative of the pharmaceutical industry
- At least one representative of a health science center in Texas
- At least one expert on telemedicine
- At least one expert on home telemonitoring services
At least one representative of consumers of health services provided through telemedicine
At least one Medicaid provider or child health plan program provider
At least one representative from the Texas Health Services Authority established under Chapter 182, Texas Health and Safety Code;
At least one representative of a local or regional health information exchange
At least one representative with expertise related to the implementation of electronic health records, computerized clinical support systems, and health information exchange systems for exchanging clinical and other types of health information

An Advisory Committee member must regularly participate in meetings and may also have to participate in subcommittee meetings, projects and presentations. Meetings will be held at least three times per year in Austin at the call of the presiding officer. Members will not receive compensation from HHS for participation on the advisory committee.

If you are interested in serving please complete and return the attached application **no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, September 2, 2016.** You may submit the application by email or mail. Please submit completed applications via:

Email:  HHSHealthIT@hhsc.state.tx.us  
Attn:  Adriana Rhames

Mail:  Texas Health and Human Services Commission  
P.O. Box 13247, Mail Code 4400  
Austin, Texas 78711  
Attn:  Adriana Rhames

HHSC will notify applicants **no later than Wednesday, November 2, 2016,** whether they have or have not been selected to serve as a member of the e-Health Advisory Committee.

In selecting members to serve, HHSC considers the applicants’ qualifications, background, and interest in serving. HHSC also tries to choose committee members who, as a whole, represent the diversity of all Texas citizens. For that reason, HHSC considers applicants’ ethnicity, gender, and geographic location.

For more information, contact Adriana Rhames at HHSHealthIT@hhsc.state.tx.us.