

PLEASE PRINT OUT AND TAKE WITH YOU IF YOU ARE PROVIDING SERVICES IN A RED CROSS SHELTER

DBH partners, responders are predominately licensed:
MHMRC's-Mental Health/Mental Retardation Centers-Under contract to provide Disaster Behavioral Health.
NorthStar-Behavioral Health organization, Dallas.
VRM-Victim Relief Ministries
BCFS-Baptist Child & Family Services
NASW, Texas-National Association of Social Workers
OSAR's-Outreach, Screening, Assessment & Referral-A program funded by DSHS, subcontracts with substance abuse providers

Thanks,

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Subject: RE: Emailing: Redcross entry to shelter letter

Ed,
Thanks for talking today. Here are the bullets we discussed that should help facilitate a smoother entry and collaborative work with your teams and our shelters. I added only one extra item which is a request that the state teams sign in and sign out as they leave the shelter (as our workers and clients do) so that we can track the safety of people in the event of an evacuation and otherwise provide administrative oversight. Let me know if you have any questions.

TX state workers or subcontractors approved by TX through their ESAR-VHP program will be allowed in all Red Cross shelters. These workers will work within the following guidelines:

- Will work under the administrative authority of the Red Cross shelter manager and under the programmatic (technical) supervision of their affiliated organization.
- Will sign in and sign out of the shelter as they come and go (just as all other workers and clients) and coordinate their activities with the Red Cross DMH team or shelter manager (if there is no DMH team present)

- Will be clearly badged to represent their affiliated agency and to distinguish themselves from Red Cross workers.

Let me know if you have any questions or proposed additions.

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