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TEXAS PSYCHOLOGISTS LAUD STATEWIDE MENTAL HEALTH HOTLINE
Texas Psychological Association Recently Launched COVID-19 Pro Bono Project Among Growing Number of Resources to Support Texans' Mental Health

AUSTIN, TEXAS—*The following statement regarding the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's (HHSC) launch of a statewide mental health hotline should be attributed to Megan Mooney, PhD, President, Texas Psychological Association:*

“Texas psychologists are pleased to see the State of Texas step up to provide critical resources to support Texans’ mental health. Beyond the physical health and economic toll of the COVID-19 virus, the current pandemic is shining a light on the urgent need and increased demand for mental health services.

“Gov. Greg Abbott’s recent executive order expanding access to telehealth and telemedicine will help psychologists provide critical services during this time of crisis.

“Texas psychologists stand ready to help support the larger effort to provide mental health services to Texans in need. Our TPA Pro Bono Project: COVID-19 provides up to two hours of free mental health services to under or uninsured Texans.”

Additional Resources

To learn more about the TPA Pro Bono Project, visit <https://bit.ly/TPAProBonoProject>

Read Texas mental health professionals’ recent letter to Gov. Abbott lauding expanded access to telehealth and telemedicine at <https://bit.ly/TPALetter1>.

Read the letter to Gov. Abbott calling for DSHS to re-establish its database of mental health professionals at <https://bit.ly/TPALetter2>.

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