

**SENATE**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

COMMITTEE: Health & Human Services  
TIME & DATE: 9:00 AM, Thursday, February 20, 2014  
PLACE: E1.036 (Finance Room)  
CHAIR: Senator Jane Nelson

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The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services will take up the following charges:

Child Protective Services - Review the Department of Family and Protective Services' efforts to reduce child fatalities. Review the process by which the Department of Family and Protective Services collects and uses data to evaluate agency performance and improve outcomes for children in the Child Protective Services system. Make recommendations to ensure the process effectively uses data to strategically improve caseworker performance, and identify and improve upon deficiencies within the system and improve overall outcomes for children and reduce child fatalities.

Women's Health - Build on previous legislative achievements in women's healthcare by examining women's access to preventative health care, pregnancy services, and postpartum care, and exploring ways to expand access and improve quality, particularly in rural and underserved areas of the state. Monitor the implementation of women's health programs in Texas. Assess these programs' impact on outcomes such as improving access to preventative services, reducing unplanned pregnancies, and achieving cost savings. Recommend ways to better coordinate the various programs in a manner that increases the number of women served, ensures adequate provider capacity statewide, and maximizes efficiencies to the state.

Public testimony will be limited to 3 minutes.  
If submitting written testimony, please provide 15 copies with your name on each.

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