

# Texas State Office of Rural Health

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# State Office of Rural Health (SORH) Program

## Core Functions:

1. Collection and Dissemination of Information
2. Provision of Technical Assistance
3. Coordination of Rural Health Activities

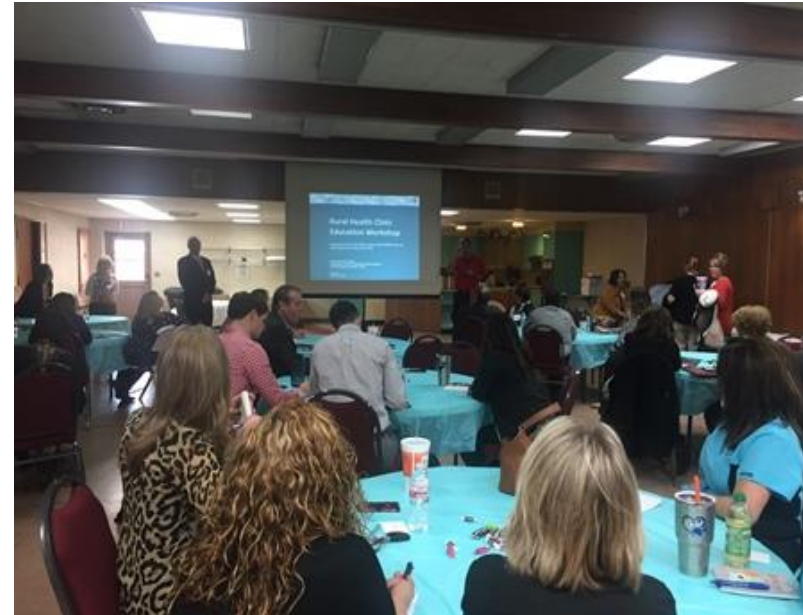
# Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility (Flex) Program

## Core Areas:

1. Financial and Operational Improvement
2. Quality Improvement
3. Support conversion to Critical Access Hospital (CAH)

# Rural Health Clinic Sessions

- Three sessions during FY16
  - Frio Regional Hospital in Pearsall
  - ETMC-Quitman
  - Lynn County Hospital District in Tahoka
- Topics include:
  - RHC 101
  - Billing Best Practices
  - Healthcare Overview
  - Policy Governance and Regulation
  - Grant Writing and Funding
- Over **100** clinic and hospital attendees



# Hospital Development Program Project

- Provide communication and leadership training to hospitals and clinics
- Provide organizational-level support for staff development
- Inter-personal and inter-departmental communication
- Organizational culture assessment and development

FY16 11 hospitals/RHC's participated

FY17 Decrease in hospitals

# Questions



# How can we help?

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