Register Now for DBMD Biannual Training

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DBMD providers have until 5:00 p.m., October 2 to register for the biannual DBMD training, slated for October 10 – 13 in Austin. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis with employees who work for current DBMD providers given priority.

Training will be held in Room 460 W of the John H. Winters Human Services Complex, 701 W. 51st St., Austin, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., each day. Attendees will need to get a visitor badge in the lobby each morning.

While the training facility can accommodate up to 25 participants, at least 10 people must be registered by the deadline for the training to be held. When you register, you will be emailed a registration accepted or declined notice. Attendees must bring a copy of their acceptance email to the training.

What Does the Training Cover?

The training is broken into two, two-day sessions. Participants may attend either one or both of the sessions:

- **October 10 and 11** is for case managers. It will include an overview of program rules and the functions of the case manager.
- **October 12 and 13** is for direct support staff and trainers. Topics will include:
  - Causes associated with deafblindness
  - The effect of sensory impairments
  - Basics of orientation and mobility
  - Methods and strategies for communication
  - How to support a person with deafblindness in leading a more active life

To register, email the following information to dbmdpolicy@hhsc.state.tx.us:

- Name (s) of participant (s)
- Provider name and contract number, if applicable
- Specific dates attending (October 10 and 11, October 12 and 13, or all 4 days)
- Special accommodations needed, such as interpreters or braille handouts