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More on COVID-19

The National League of Cities has [provided additional information](#) related to the coronavirus known as COVID-19, and the Texas Municipal League has prepared its own clearinghouse [web page](#) as well.

For more information about COVID-19, please visit CDC's [website](#).

Cybersecurity Training and Reporting Update

As promised, the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool (TML IRP) has released a [free cybersecurity training program](#), including an online video. TML IRP did so in response to a new [state law](#) mandating that most city officials and employees complete cybersecurity training by June 14, 2020, and annually thereafter.

The Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) has also certified other programs, with more information available on the agency's cybersecurity awareness training certification [web page](#).

DIR recently launched a self-reporting application called Texas by Texas (TxT), but cities must complete the following [DIR survey](#) by TODAY, March 13, to use it in the future. By using TxT, city employees can self-report their training compliance, and DIR will later send a detailed report from the TxT application to each city verifying their compliance. Whether your city uses TxT or not, the city will be responsible for tracking training compliance and submitting an [acknowledgement form](#) to DIR by June 15 through a web platform that will be available in April.

Cities will not submit individual employee certificates of completion to DIR. However, cities should retain certificates, or other proof of completion, with their training records. City officials with questions should contact DIR at TxTrainingCert@dir.texas.gov.

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