



## ***Stop the Bleed Month, May 2022***

### ***Talking Points***

1. The **STOP THE BLEED** initiative was established as a national public awareness campaign in 2015, in the wake of the tragic mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School.
2. **Stop the Bleed Texas** is a coalition of hospital and EMS partners representing all of Texas to achieve the goal of **0%** preventable deaths from hemorrhage in Texas.
3. Uncontrolled bleeding from an extremity is the **#1** cause of preventable death in trauma.
4. Stop the Bleed, worldwide, by the numbers:
  - a. 1.3 million people have received basic instruction in Stop the Bleed
  - b. 70,000 instructors reside in 102 countries
  - c. 76,000 courses have been taught
5. 10,654 instructors are registered in Texas, the highest number of trained instructors in the United States.
6. The 86<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature in 2019 passed H.B 496 which mandated:
  - a. all Texas public and charter school personnel to participate in Stop the Bleed training.
  - b. offer training to students in grades seven and higher
  - c. bleeding control kits will be installed in every school
7. The major concepts of the Stop the Bleed Initiative:
  - a. A seriously injured adult can bleed to death in 3-5 minutes.
  - b. First responders can take 7-9 minutes to respond, depending on location
  - c. The general public (with little or no medical training) can be taught how to recognize life threatening bleeding when they see it, intervene by packing a wound or applying a tourniquet, and save a life... all in one hour!
8. The goal is to train every American in basic bleeding control techniques
9. The only thing more tragic than a death is a death that could have been prevented.
10. For more information visit [www.stopthebleedtexas.org](http://www.stopthebleedtexas.org)