

# Evaluation of the Leon Health Access Network

## Project Summary & Goals

With technical assistance from the Center for Community Health Development, Leon County received a Rural Health Network Development Grant from the Office of Rural Health Policy at the Health Resources and Services Administration. The project has brought together a network of organizations and service providers to expand access to specialty care and mental health services through telehealth technology and increased transportation for the residents of Leon County, a rural community in east central Texas.

Project goals are:

- To increase the availability and utilization of volunteer-based transportation through the Leon Health Resource Center
- To increase Leon County residents' access to mental health services through the use of telehealth technology
- To increase Leon County residents' access to specialty care within and outside the county

## Principal Investigator

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## Project Dates

2007-2011

## Communities Involved

Leon County

## Funder

Office of Rural Health Policy, Health Resources and Services Administration

## Partners

Leon County  
Leon County Health Resource Commission  
Leon Health Resource Center  
Brazos Valley Area Agency on Aging  
Brazos Valley Community Action Agency  
Brazos Valley Health Partnership  
College Station Medical Center  
Counseling and Assessment Clinic  
Counseling Psychology Program, Texas A&M University  
Mental Health Mental Retardation Authority of the Brazos Valley  
St. Joseph Health System  
United Way of the Brazos Valley