NAGPRA Flowchart **Discovery of Human Remains** Stop all work that will disturb remains. Make a reasonable effort to protect the site of discovery. Immediately contact local legal authorities such as sheriff, police, or medical examiner. Is it a crime scene? NO. Did the discovery occur on public YES. Legal authorities will take lands? possession of the remains.* NO. Are you a museum as defined by YES. Did the discovery occur on NAGPRA? See FAQs. federal or tribal lands? YES. You ARE subject to NAGPRA and NO. Refer to Texas Health and Safety may have additional responsibilities Code. under Texas Health and Safety Code. Contact federal Indian tribes within three days. Publish notice in Federal Register. If remains are not claimed by Indian If a tribe claims the remains, initiate tribe or are culturally unidentifiable, the consultation process. contact National NAGPRA Program. Develop a plan of action for the disposition of the remains.

*If authorities take possession of human remains and later it is determined that they are not part of a crime scene, then NAGPRA may still apply.