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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD EXAMINERS PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

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Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I support adopting the PSYPACT and ask that the same or similar rules apply to counselors as well. The inability for counselors to work with out of state clients - particularly students who leave the state for college but who still reside in Texas - is a detriment to many. Texas needs licensing reciprocity with other states to ensure appropriate continuity of care. The limits of state licensing laws no longer make sense in the age of Telehealth. Our laws and regulations should reflect this transition in how patients receive mental health care.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Increase licensing reciprocity with other states for all mental health licenses.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree