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From: deb
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I am interested in learning why there doesn't seem to be any consistent means for accessing help for children with autism. I have called DARS, PENS, DSHS DADS, MHMR, Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities, and the Texas Council on Autism and PDD. We have been trying for 9 years to get assistance. Medicaid has helped a little, the Burkhart Center has helped a little. By and large, though, very little is available in the State of Texas, and none if it is well organized.

Deb Goodman