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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or
Opposed:

DO NOT pass ISSUE 13 please meet with this committee first as we are required to complete and adhere to federal requirements that the other groups are not, nor do they understand the specific issues of this population. I and many others have worked hard for over 25 years to get Texas' Systems to embrace and implement Systems of Care to national fidelity. Please look at our models in Indiana, Arizona, Massachusetts, Washington State, Illinois, Rhode Island and many others including Guam.

The values of SOC are that services are to be coordinated between the appropriate child-serving agency(ies),culturally and linguistically competent, evidence-based, family driven, youth guided, community based utilizing the national wraparound process to fidelity. NONE of the other committees have this requirement and, Texas is receiving System of Care expansion funds to meet these values.

San Antonio and the state DSHS have both received \$999,999 from SAMHSA to do the same while, The Panhandle and Fort Worth are still receiving funds from SAMHSA for their SOC demonstration grants, The Texas Federation of Families receives \$70,000 to help prepare youth and families to serve on these community and state committees under the SAMHSA statewide family network grants and have just received confirmation of a newly funded SAMHSA grant to Combine Statewide network efforts for youth and adults ages 14 through 24 with mental health issues and substance abuse through Soberhood and The Texas Federation of Families.

All of these funded resources are required to demonstrate the System of Care values

Please contact Dr Gary Blau Chief of the Child and Adolescent Branch at SAMHSA for guidance

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Meet with the System of Care Council and SAMHSA

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree