From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local]

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To: Sunset Advisory Commission

Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD EXAMINERS PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

First Name: Judith Marie

Last Name: Watiti

Title: LPC

Organization you are affiliated with:

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City: Dallas

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I support I PCs as well as supervised I PC-Interns should receive the same many process.

Opposed: I support LPCs as well as supervised LPC-Interns should receive the same medicaid benefits for their professional services as any other licensed provider (e.g. MFTs, LPAs, etc.). I am tired of being billed as less than as professional as other providers. I am as qualified and perhaps more qualified than many of my contemporaries! Please stop the disparate treatment. Thanks for listening...

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Please ensure Medicaid treats every LPC in good standing as equal to all other Masters-leveled professionals. Also, I love and respect the Texas LPC Board and am totally comfortable with them remaining and being the governing agency for all of us Texas licensed professionals.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree