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From: Janey Cook
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I firmly oppose recommendation 3.2 to put licensure regulation by Texas State Board of Examiners under DSHS. It should remain exactly where it is! The professionals it examines and regulates are Masters level graduate clinicians who provide counseling and psychotherapy to persons who are in need of a licensed Mental Health Professional practitioner. The Texas State Board of Examiners is best suited to license and regulate these highly educated and qualified therapists. Don't change what is working successfully!!

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From: Janey Cook
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I am opposed for any changes being made for any regulation regarding Marriage and Family Therapists and Licensed Professional Counselors. Their respective boards do an exemplary job of providing rules for conduct and practice, plus education requirements for licensure (including continuing education requirements). These two boards are proficient in regulating licensure, regulating and monitoring safe practice , and administering sanctions to those who do not comply with established rules for professional conduct and practice. These boards should and do receive suggestions from the specific professionals they regulate. LPC and LMFT licensing and regulatory duties should continue to remain in their respective boards, NOT ever be placed in the hands of other Texas agencies who know nothing about these two very professional disciplines.

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