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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: Midwifery should be allowed to be a choice in Texas. I work with too many women who did not feel in control of their birth choices and the options available and need mental health help. As you know mental health is a very big concern and for a woman to have the choice to give birth they way they want is a fantastic way to help alleviate potential issues. Postpartum depression is often noticed faster when midwifery is involved because the support offered is much greater than what can be offered in a traditional OB/GYN capacity.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Midwifery should be covered by all insurance plans, medicaid, Tricare, etc. It should be an option...period. It is cheaper and women feel better cared for at times.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree