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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]  
Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2014 9:51 AM  
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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Brenda

Last Name: VanAmburgh

Title: Dr

Organization you are affiliated with: Marriage & Family Therapists

City: Ft Worth

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: Opposed to recommendation 3.2. I have been counseling couples and families for 35 years. Based on my experience I believe that the public must be protected and therapists must be regulated. This recommendation would take us back to the days before licensure when the public was at great risk because of the many "therapists" with no special training, education, nor experience.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I believe it is the best interests of the public to leave this agency in place as it is.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree