

Community Resource Coordination Group

Mandated Agency Collaboration

[Texas Health and Human Services Commission \(HHSC\)](#)

The mission of Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is to maintain and improve the health and human services system in Texas and to administer its programs in accordance with the highest standards of customer service and accountability for the effective use of funds.

HHSC oversees the Texas health and human services system, which is composed of five agencies:

Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)
Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS)
Department of State Health Services (DSHS)
Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS)
Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS)

Programs Administered by HHSC

- Medicaid
- Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- Food Stamps and Nutritional Programs
- Family Violence Services
- Refugee Services
- Disaster Assistance

[Texas Dept. of Aging and Disability Services \(DADS\)](#)

The Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) was created to administer long-term services and supports for people who are aging and who have cognitive and physical disabilities. DADS also licenses and regulates providers of these services, and administers the state's guardianship program.

Texas Dept. of State Health Services (DSHS)

DSHS serves the health needs of Texans by:

- Prevention and preparedness activities, such as immunizations, public health preparedness, communicable disease surveillance and control, and newborn screening.
- Family and community health services, such as primary health care, maternal and child health and nutrition services, and health services for special populations.
- Community mental health services and state mental health hospitals.
- Substance abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment services.
- Regulation of health professionals, facilities, and consumer goods and services.
- Vital records such as birth and death certificates and health statistics

Texas Dept. of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS)

The Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services, or DARS, administers programs that ensure Texas is a state where people with disabilities, and children who have developmental delays, enjoy the same opportunities as other Texans to live independent and productive lives.

The department has four divisions:

- Rehabilitation Services
- Blind Services
- Early Childhood Intervention Services
- Disability Determination Services

Through these divisions, DARS administers programs that help Texans with disabilities find jobs through vocational rehabilitation, ensure that Texans with disabilities live independently in their communities, and assist families in helping their children under age 3 with disabilities and delays in development reach their full potential.

[Texas Dept. of Family and Protective Services \(CPS, APS\)](#)

Previously called the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, DFPS is charged with protecting children and adults who are elderly or have disabilities living at home or in state facilities, and licensing group day-care homes, day-care centers, and registered family homes.

The agency is also charged with managing community-based programs that prevent delinquency, abuse, neglect and exploitation of Texas children, elderly and disabled adults.

The agency's services are provided

- Adult Protective Services
- Child Protective Services
- Child Care Licensing
- Prevention and Early Intervention

[Texas Dept. of Housing and Community Affairs](#)

TDHCA's mission is to help Texans achieve an improved quality of life through the development of better communities. They accomplish this by acting as a conduit for federal grant funds for housing and community services and also operate as a housing finance agency.

[Texas Workforce Commission](#)

The major functions of TWC include developing the workforce, providing support services including child care for targeted populations participating in workforce training, and administering the unemployment benefits and tax programs. TWC also provides information and analysis on shifts in occupations and industries within the state.

Workforce development includes:

- the oversight and support of an employer-driven, integrated system that consolidates employment, job training, and work-related services including the regulation of career schools
- provides temporary income to workers who have lost their jobs through no fault of their own
- recruiting, training and retraining, outplacement services
- information on employment law and labor market trends and statistics
- career development information

[Texas Education Agency \(TEA, LEA, ISD, ESC\)](#)

The mission of the Texas Education Agency is to provide leadership, guidance and resources to help schools meet the educational needs of all students. Regional service centers were established by the Texas State Legislature in 1967 for the purpose of providing services to the school districts within a defined geographic region. Regional service centers are non-regulatory, have no taxing authority, and provide services for which participation is voluntary on the part of the local school district.

Region 10 Education Service Center, located in Richardson, provides services that impact more than 650,000 students and 53,000 educators in 80 public school districts, more than 30 Charter Schools, and numerous private schools in the 8 counties (and portions of a 9th) in north Texas that make up the **Region 10 Service Area**.

[Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice](#)

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) manages offenders in state prisons, state jails and private correctional facilities that contract with TDCJ. The agency also provides funding and certain oversight of community supervision (previously known as adult probation) and is responsible for the supervision of offenders released from prison on parole or mandatory supervision.

[Texas Juvenile Probation Commission \(TJPC\)](#)

The Texas Juvenile Probation Commission works in partnership with local juvenile boards and juvenile probation departments to support and enhance juvenile probation services throughout the state by providing funding, technical assistance, and training; establishing and enforcing standards; collecting, analyzing and disseminating information; and facilitating communications between state and local entities.

This mission is accomplished through a continuum of services and programs that:

- ensure the safety and protection of the public;
- include prevention, early intervention, and rehabilitative programs;
- maximize family participation and accountability;
- are community based, family oriented and as least restrictive as possible;
- include a mix of residential and non-residential services which reduce commitments to the Texas Youth Commission; and,
- are a balance of public and private services and resources.

Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments (TCOOMMI)

Juvenile service programs are designed as a family-based, multi-service approach to meet the mental health needs of juvenile offenders. Services are targeted for youth in the Texas juvenile justice system, age 10 – 18, who have been assessed with severe emotional disturbances. Nineteen (19) statewide MHMR programs provide wrap-around case management philosophy and flexible programming. Service components include:

- Assessment for service referral
- Service coordination and planning
- Medication and monitoring
- Individual and/or group therapy and skills training
- In-home services such as Multi-Systemic Therapy or Functional Family Therapy
- Family focused support services
- Benefit eligibility services
- Transitional services

Texas Youth Commission (TYC)

The Texas Youth Commission, the state's juvenile corrections agency, promotes public safety by operating juvenile correctional facilities and by partnering with youth, families, and communities to provide a safe and secure environment where youth in the agency's care and custody receive individualized education, treatment, life skills and employment training and positive role models to facilitate successful community reintegration.

Private Service Providers (Adult and/or Children)

Agencies that provide services for families may include such services as:

early intervention services
counseling
case management
in-home support
life planning
guardianship
medical care and therapy
recreational therapy
temporary shelter
residential placement
outpatient services for substance abuse
behavioral therapy
transitional services
other specific requests for services