

Background:

The federal Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (the DD Act) requires each state DD Council to submit a five year State Plan for fiscal years 2012 – 2016. The Plan must be submitted by August 15, 2011. The DD Act requires that the plan be based on a comprehensive review and analysis of available services and supports, unmet needs, and public input.

TCDD Planning Coordinator Joanna Cordry will present the Committee of the Whole with:

1. The current guidance about State Plans provided by the federal Administration on Developmental Disabilities; a broad overview of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats identified thus far through review and analysis of existing data.
2. The schedule and plan for collecting public input.

Important Terms:

State Plan: the federal government requires that TCDD have a “State Plan” that describes what staff activities and grant projects TCDD expects to carry out each year of the five year Plan. The plan includes information about Texas, the needs of Texans with developmental disabilities, the services that are available for people with developmental disabilities in Texas, and what the Council hopes to achieve.

<p><u>Committee of the Whole</u></p> <p><u>Agenda Item 9.</u></p>	<p><u>Expected Action:</u></p> <p>The Committee will review and provide input regarding identified strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, and will begin to set priorities for goal areas.</p>
<p><u>Project Development</u></p> <p><u>Agenda Item 8.</u></p>	<p><u>Expected Action:</u></p> <p>The Committee will review and provide input regarding identified strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, and will begin to set priorities for goal areas.</p>
<p><u>Council</u></p> <p><u>Agenda Item 17. C.</u></p>	<p><u>Expected Action:</u></p> <p>The Council will hear reports from Committees and determine next steps.</p>