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# Texas Autism Council Transition

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## Update

# Texas Autism Council



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## §351.837, Texas Autism Council

Council abolished and rule expires December 31, 2020.



# Advisory committee rule proposal



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## **§351.815, Policy Council for Children and Families**

- Purpose: work to improve coordination, quality, efficiency, and outcomes of services provided to children with disabilities and their families through the state's health, education, and human services systems
- New task: study and make recommendations to ensure that the needs of children with autism spectrum disorder and their families are addressed, and that all available resources are coordinated to meet those needs
- Two new members:
  - "at least one member of a family of a child with autism spectrum disorder" and
  - a representative of "an organization or professional that advocates for or provides services or resources to children and the families of children with autism spectrum disorder"

# Advisory committee rule proposal



## **§351.833, STAR Kids Advisory Committee**

- Purpose: advise HHSC on the establishment and implementation of, and recommend improvements to, the STAR Kids managed care program.
- New possible membership category: family members of children with autism spectrum disorder who are Medicaid recipients

# Rule Status



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Event	Date
Presented to MCAC	Aug. 13, 2020
Presented to Exec. Council	Aug. 20, 2020
Proposed rule published in Tex. Reg.	Sept. 18, 2020
Rule off comment	Oct. 2, 2020
Adoption packet due to RCO	Nov. 18, 2020
Effective date	20 days after filing with SOS



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# Thank you

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