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Texas Council on Consumer Direction

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Member Questions

- When will the Rider 157 attendant workgroup research/fact finding end?
- When is the workgroup findings/report due?
- Who will the workgroup present their findings to?
 - The commissioner?
 - A specific legislative committee?



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Member Questions

- Can we schedule a meeting to review the report and as a council provide feedback to be included in the final document?
 - Can the council be referenced as providing specific input?
- Will a person who resides in the same household still be able to be a paid attendant once the COVID 19 pandemic is officially over?
- Are there rules in place saying family caregivers cannot be paid?
 - Who at HHSC needs to change those rules?



DSW Taskforce Activities

- **Community Attendant Survey**
 - Sent out on 08/31/2022
 - Responses due 09/28/2022
- **Local Workforce Development Board Survey**
 - Sent out by TWC on 09/09/2022
 - Responses due 09/28/2022



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DSW Taskforce Activities

- **Direct Service Employer Registry**
 - Contract officially awarded to ADvancing States (ADS) June 2022
 - Website design began July 1, 2022
 - ADS & HHSC presented at the HCBS conference in Washington D.C. in August 2022
 - Official soft launch is April 3, 2023
 - Anticipated go-live is May 1, 2023



DSW Taskforce Activities

- **Advanced Training**
 - ODSC created a list of free available trainings broken down into three categories
 - Required Trainings
 - Basic Trainings/Continual Learning
 - Specialized & Advanced Trainings
- **Metrix Training**
 - Online learning management system that helps jobseekers upgrade skills and obtain certifications



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