



Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

Commissioner
Jaime Masters

April 26, 2021

The Department of Family and Protective Services is accepting applications for the Public Private Partnership (PPP) committee. The PPP is a steering committee that advises the Department and Family Protective Services about Community-Based Care. Find out more about Community-Based Care [here](#).

The DFPS Commissioner will appoint members to the board to serve a term beginning July 1, 2021. Currently, DFPS is seeking Texans with the following qualifications:

1. Members must have demonstrated a commitment to the children, youth, and families of Texas.
2. Knowledge and experience with the Texas foster care system.
3. Members from a diverse cultural background.
4. Members who may fall into the following categories:
 - i. Been a parent who successfully navigated the Texas foster care system
 - ii. An attorney who has represented parents within the Texas foster care system.
 - iii. A purchased client services contractor representative.
5. Members should attend and participate in quarterly meetings. Members may be removed for excessive absences as determined by Committee consensus.
6. Except as may be necessary to stagger terms, a member serves for a two-year term and may be appointed for additional terms at the Commissioner's discretion.

A committee member must regularly participate in committee meetings and may also have to participate in projects and presentations. Committee meetings will be held throughout the state or virtually about once every four months or at the call of the presiding officer. ***Travel expenses to advisory committee meetings are not reimbursed.***

Please review [PPP rules](#) before filling out the application.

If you would like to apply to serve on the committee, please complete and return the attached application by **May 26, 2021**. It is preferred that you submit your application electronically, but you may submit the application by email or mail. Here are the addresses:

Email: DFPScouncil@dfps.texas.gov
Attn: PPP

Mail:
Department of Family and Protective Services
701 W. 51st Street
Mail Code W276
Austin, TX 78751
Attn: Cheryl Gomez (PPP)

DFPS will notify applicants if they have been selected to serve as a member of PPP. In selecting members to serve on the board, DFPS considers the applicants' qualifications, background and interest in serving on the board. DFPS tries to choose committee members who represent the diversity of all Texans. For that reason, DFPS considers applicants' ethnicity, gender and geographic location.

For more information about the committee, visit the board website or contact Cheryl Gomez at DFPScouncil@dfps.texas.gov. For more information about applying to be on the board, or for Americans with Disabilities Act accommodations, email Cheryl Gomez.

After submission of completed application, select applicants will be required to complete DFPS Form 0250 Volunteer Application to authorize a background check. Applicants can request for Personal Information from Form 0250 be kept confidential (such as home address, telephone number, social security number, date of birth, and driver's license information), but information gathered on the form is otherwise subject to the Public Information Act (PIA). Results of the background check are not subject to the PIA.

If you have questions about the application process, please contact Cheryl Gomez at DFPScouncil@dfps.texas.gov.

Thank you,

Cheryl Gomez, MS

DFPS Advisory Committee and Council Liaison

