

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
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This Technical Assistance (TA) Bulletin provides Local Workforce Development Boards (Boards) with information related to Community Resource Coordination Groups (CRCGs).

CRCGs are local interagency groups composed of public and private providers. CRCG members develop individual service plans for local children, youth, and adults whose needs can be met only through interagency coordination and cooperation. There are three types of CRCGs in Texas:

- CRCGs, serving *children and youth* (birth to age 22);
- CRCGAs, serving *adults* (age 18 and older); and
- CRCGFs, serving *families* and individuals of any age.

Texas Government Code §531.055 directs that specific state agencies:

. . . adopt a joint memorandum of understanding to promote a system of local-level interagency staffing groups to coordinate services for persons needing multi-agency services.

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), in consultation with the partner agencies, including the Texas Workforce Commission, and advocacy and consumer groups, developed a Memorandum of Understanding for Coordinated Services to Persons Needing Services from More Than One Agency (MOU).

The partner agencies include the following:

- Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services
- Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services
- Texas Department of Family and Protective Services
- Texas Department of State Health Services
- Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments
- Texas Department of Criminal Justice
- Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs
- Texas Education Agency
- Texas Juvenile Justice Department
- Texas Workforce Commission

The MOU's purpose is to implement a statewide system of CRCGs. Through involvement with local CRCGs, the partner agencies—along with representatives from schools, public and private health and human services agencies, faith-based organizations, local criminal justice organizations, and other entities—assist individuals with identifying and coordinating needed resources and services in their communities.

Benefits of serving on CRCGs include the following:

- Awareness of community programs and practices;
- Working knowledge of how to access local resources; and
- Knowledgeable co-members who may assist in problem-solving common issues or concerns.

Additional information, including the MOU and how to find local CRCGs, may be accessed on the HHSC website, [Community Resource Coordination Groups of Texas](#).

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