



Do you know what T3C is?

Texas Child-Centered Care, or T3C, represents a complete transformation of the foster care system. It is the result of a multi-year effort directed by the Texas Legislature, supported by DFPS in collaboration with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), and guided by countless residential childcare providers and other child welfare stakeholders.

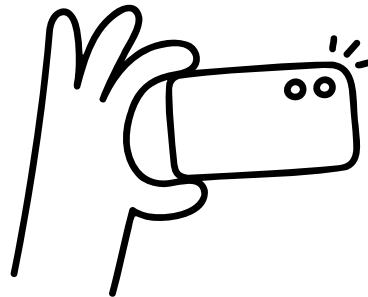
T3C replaces the Service Level System, with a universal child assessment tool and placement process, twenty-four clearly defined Service Packages and three Add-On Services, new fully funded rate methodology, and new opportunities to claim federal funds for foster care services.

Having a comprehensive array of clearly defined Service Packages and supporting rate methodology aligns the cost of care with specific services, offering more stability for Residential Child Care providers and Caregivers.

The new rate methodology offers more efficiency and eliminates the need for multiple payments, by consolidating compensation for things such as awake night supervision in General Residential Operations into the child's daily rate. The new service array offers new opportunities for the state to draw down federal Title IV-E funding by incorporating specific packages that align with changes made by the Family First Prevention Services Act, allowing for enhanced claiming.

There are new opportunities that this modernized system represents for children, youth, and young adults living in foster care. T3C is designed to improve safety, permanency, and well-being outcomes, offer continued opportunity for foster care system improvement through a robust Continuous Quality Assurance and Improvement Process, and lessen the need to look outside the established foster care continuum for services.

If you are interested in learning more, please visit
https://www.dfps.texas.gov/Texas_Child_Centered_Care/default.asp



A Moment with CASA Video Series

We are excited to launch a new video series on our social media platforms to help answer questions about what CASA is and what we do!

Please send any topics you might think could be helpful to address to Dana at danaward@bigcountrycasa.org and share any videos you think will be impactful to your sphere of influence.

Remember, recruitment is a joint effort, and we cannot do it without you guys!

Hope needs a helping hand



Please reach out to staff or supervisors if you are feeling overwhelmed or in need of assistance!

Don't forget to like,
share, and comment on
our social media posts!



Info Meet Thursdays!

In Person:

November 7th, 9-10am @ Summer Moon

November 14th, 10-11am @ Tea2Go (South)

November 21st, 2-3pm @ Mad Coffee & More

Virtual Info Meet:

November 20th, 7-8pm

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84430834190?pwd=SHZOcXk0UXlNYmdKUjl4bVB0T09xQT09>

**Volunteers are Welcome to
Attend Info Meets and Bring a Friend!**

Other Important Dates:

Winter New Volunteer Training

Begins January 23rd, 2025 and runs through February 13th, 2025!

For a complete schedule, please visit our website:

www.bigcountrycasa.org

Refer a friend!

Reminder:

You have 2 more months to get your 12 hours of CEUs for the year! Please contact Jen at jenniferlemke@bigcountrycasa.org if you have any questions!

October CEU Opportunity:

Lunch and Learn: November 14th, 12:00-1:00

Keep an eye out for opportunities sent through email from Jennifer Lemke!

Quote of the month:

"Home is people. Not a place."

— Robin Hobb

Office closed for Thanksgiving
break from 12:00 on
November 27th to November
29th! Office opens back up
December 2nd, 8:30am!



MENS:

- 11/4, 7:30, VS HOWARD PAYNE
- 11/9, 6:00, VS MIDDLE TENNESSEE
- 11/12, 7:00, VS MCMURRY
- 11/16, 2:30, VS TEXAS STATE

WOMENS:

- 11/4, 5:30, VS SOUTHWEST (N.M.)
- 11/12, 11:00, VS STEPHEN F. AUSTIN
- 11/16, 12:00, VS NORTH TEXAS
- 11/21, 6:00, VS WESTERN KENTUCKY



ACU HAS
GENEROUSLY
PROVIDED US WITH
LIMITED TICKETS
TO EACH MALE AND
FEMALE HOME GAME THIS YEAR!

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TO RESERVE!