

Courtesy Supervision, Purchased Client Services and Kinship Home Assessment

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In 2017, the 85th Texas Legislature through Senate Bill 11 established the Community-Based Care (CBC) Model for delivery of the state's child welfare services. Under the CBC Model, DFPS is required to purchase case management and substitute care (foster and kinship) services from a Single Source Continuum Contractor (SSCC) for children, youth, and young adults who are in DFPS conservatorship or who are receiving services through the extended foster care program. Implementation of the CBC model transitions the Texas child welfare system from a statewide, "one size fits all" approach, to a community-based model designed to meet the individual and unique needs of children, youth, and families in Texas at the local level. The latest version of the statewide Implementation Plan and additional information about CBC can be found on the CBC website.

Currently, CBC is fully implemented in five designated service areas of the state:

- Panhandle/Region 1
- <u>Big Country & Texoma/ Region 2</u>
- <u>Metroplex West/Region 3b</u>
- South Central & Hill Country/Region 8b
- Metroplex East/Region 3E

All five areas are operating in Stage II CBC providing case management and substitute care services to **all** children and youth in DFPS conservatorship from the designated service area and their families.

The purpose of this guide is to be a resource on the process for requesting services to children/youth in DFPS conservatorship, their families, and caregivers across CBC areas and regional lines in Stage II, including:

- Courtesy supervision for children, youth, and parents who reside in and outside a CBC designated service area.
- Kinship services and support for caregivers who reside in and outside a CBC designated service area.
- Payment for Purchased Client Services for:
 - o Family members from CBC areas residing outside the CBC area
 - o Family members from non-CBC areas residing inside a CBC area; and
 - o Kinship Home Assessments.

All information provided in this resource guide and additional CBC processes can be found in each designated service area's respective <u>Joint CPS/SSCC Operations Manual.</u>

Additional questions about CBC can be sent to CBCARE@dfps.texas.gov

Courtesy Supervision for Children, Youth, and Parents

DFPS and SSCC staff utilize the same policy and processes when requesting courtesy supervision for children, youth, and parents who reside outside the legal region or CBC area.

DFPS units outside a CBC area may request supervision assistance from the SSCC and likewise, the SSCC may request supervision assistance from DFPS units outside of the CBC area. All requests are made by the assigned primary caseworker completing the <u>Request for Kinship</u>, <u>Conservatorship</u>, and <u>Adoption Services</u> (aka <u>Universal Referral Form</u>) Form 2077.

Completed forms should be sent to:

Region #	CBC Area	SSCC	Email Address
2	Big Country and Texoma	2INgage	CMD@2ingage.org
3b	Metroplex West	OCOK	SSCC3B CVS KIN LPS ADO@oc- ok.org
1	Panhandle	Saint Francis Community Services	txreg1courtesyservices@st-francis.org
8b	South Central & Hill Country	Belong	ChildSafetybelong@sjrctexas.org
3E	Metroplex East	EMPOWER	placement@3empower.org

• See 6314 Services to Children and Parents across Regional Lines and its subitems.

Purchased Client Services

Primary and secondary assigned case management staff must work closely together to ensure the coordination and payment of purchased client services to family members and caregivers across CBC area and regional lines. If the child's legal county is in a SSCC catchment area, the SSCC providing primary case management is financially responsible for all purchased client services.

If	Then
SSCC primary case manager requests	SSCC primary case worker will
purchased client services (i.e. counseling) for	 Ensure there is an active 71 series
a child/youth parent or caregiver who	service authorization in IMPACT
resides in a DFPS region.	 Ensure they have an active contract
	with the desired provider, AND
DFPS courtesy, LPS or Kinship worker may	 Follow their internal procedures for
assist in providing information as needed	authorizing the purchased client
about providers in the area that offer the	services in their system.
desired service.	

If	Then
	CPI, CPS courtesy, LPS, and KDW staff will
	NOT initiate a Service Authorization (form
	2054) for any purchased client services for
	family members served by the SSCC.
DFPS region requests purchased client	DFPS primary caseworker will
services for a child/youth, parent or	 Select a DFPS contracted provider to
caregiver who resides in an SSCC	deliver the service
designated service area.	Create a Service Authorization (Form
	2054) in IMPACT authorizing the
	purchased client services
SSCC primary caseworker requests	SSCC primary worker will identify:
purchased client services for a child/youth,	 If the SSCC has a contract provider in
parent, or caregiver in another SSCC area.	the other SSCC area that provides the
	service, they would follow their
	internal procedures for authorizing the
	purchased client services in their
	system.
	 If the SSCC does not have a contract
	with a provider in the other SSCC area
	that provides the service and they are
	unable to secure a contract, they may
	coordinate with the SSCC serving that
	area to see if arrangements can be
	made between the SSCC's for service
	provisioning.

Kinship Home Assessments, Services and Support

DFPS and SSCC staff utilize the same policy and processes when requesting kinship support for caregivers who reside outside the legal region or CBC area.

DFPS units outside a CBC area may request kinship support from the SSCC and likewise, the SSCC may request kinship support from DFPS units outside of the CBC area. All requests are made by the primary assigned caseworker completing the <u>Request for Kinship</u>, <u>Conservatorship</u>, and <u>Adoption Services</u> (aka Universal Referral Form) Form 2077.

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			ok.org
1	Panhandle	Saint Francis	txreg1courtesyservices@st-francis.org
		Community Services	
8b	South Central & Hill	Belong	ChildSafetybelong@sjrctexas.org
	Country		
3E	Metroplex East	EMPOWER	placement@3empower.org

• See 6632 Referring Across Regional Lines for Kinship Home Assessments and Services.

If	Then
SSCC primary case manager requests a	SSCC primary case worker will
kinship home assessment on a caregiver that	• Ensure there is an active 71P service
resides in another DFPS Region	authorization in IMPACT AND
	 Follow their internal procedures for
	authorizing the home assessment
	services in their system.
	CPI, CPS courtesy, LPS, and KDW staff will
	NOT initiate a Service Authorization (form
	2054) for any purchased client services for
	family members served by the SSCC.
DFPS region requests a kinship home	DFPS primary caseworker will
assessment on a caregiver who resides in an	 Create a Service Authorization (Form
SSCC designated service area.	2054) in IMPACT using service code
The SSCC in the designated service area will	(68A) and selecting the SSCC as the
be the DFPS contractor for the kinship	provider. The SSCC or their sub-
assessment service. The SSCC may perform	contractor will complete the
this service or use a sub-contractor.	assessment. (See Guide for IMPACT
	Steps on How DFPS Creates Service

If	Then
	Authorization for Kinship Assessment
	to the SSCC below.)

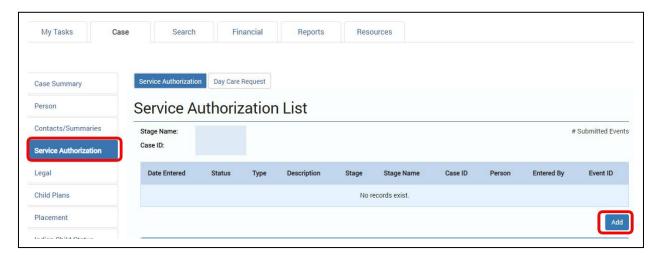
Should you have any questions or need assistance when requesting Services from a CBC area please contact the Community-Based Care Administrator for that CBC area. Contact information is located at Contact CBC.

Guide for IMPACT Steps on How DFPS Creates Service Authorization (Form 2054) For Kinship Assessment to the SSCC

(Note that screen shots are in VISTA but actions to complete should be done in IMPACT 2.0)

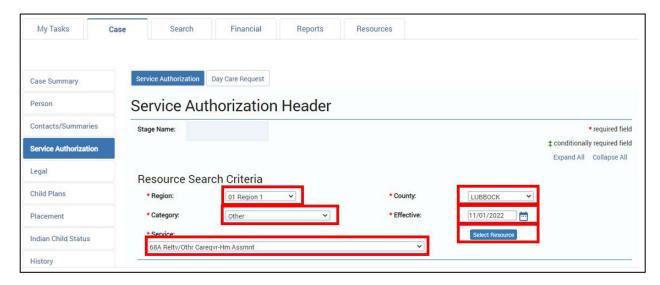
In the child's SUB stage, select the Service Authorization tab

1. Select the Add button

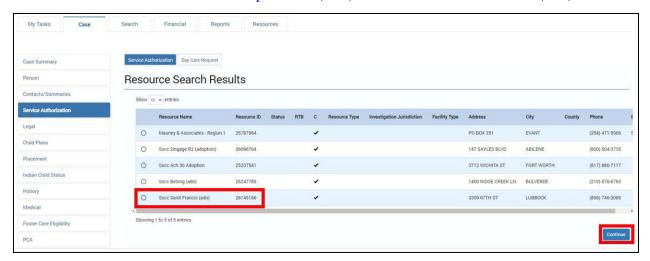


On the Service Authorization Header page in the Resource Search Criteria section:

- 2. Select the Region where the relative caregiver resides
- 3. Select the County where the relative caregiver resides
- 4. Select the Category "Other"
- 5. Enter the effective date for the home study
- 6. Select the Service as "68A Relt/Other Caregor-Hm Assmnt"
- 7. Select Resource

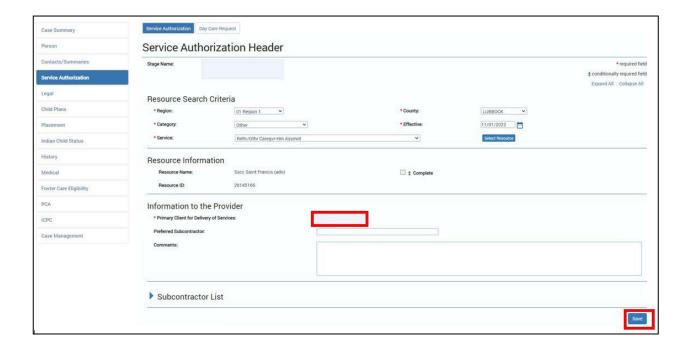


- 8. Select "Select Resource" button and choose the SSCC provider for the area where the caregiver resides and then select "Continue" button.
 - Do **not** be alarmed that it says adoption. This is the correct resource.
 - If you are not sure which SSCC is the appropriate one to select, you can find a list of counties each of them serves here:
 - o 2INgage Big Country & Texoma (R2)- Resource: Sscc 2ingage R2 (adoption)
 - A Our Community Our Kids (OC-OK) <u>Metroplex West</u> (3b), Resource: SSCC OCOK 3W (Adoption)
 - o Belong South Central & Hill Country (8b), Resource: Sscc Belong (ado)
 - o Saint Francis <u>Texas Panhandle</u> (Region 1), Resource: Sscc Saint Francis (ado)
 - o EMPOWER Metroplex East (R3E), Resource: Sscc EMPOWER (ado)



In the Information to Provider section:

- 9. Select the child (or oldest child if sibling group)
- 10. Select "Save"

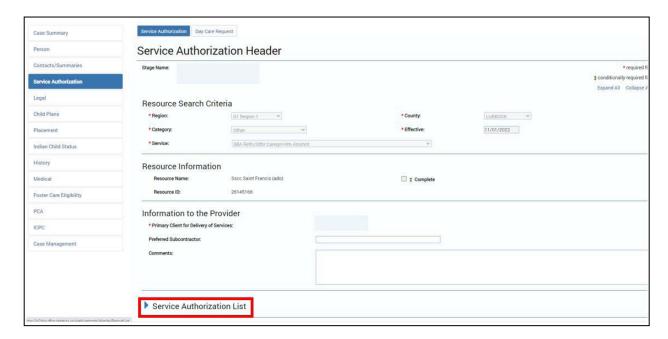


• You will receive the message: "You are authorizing for a contract outside of your region. Continue?"

11. Select OK



12. Expand the Service Authorization List Section

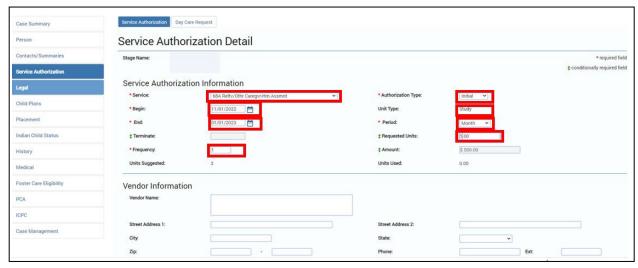


13. In the Service Authorization List section click the "Add: button.



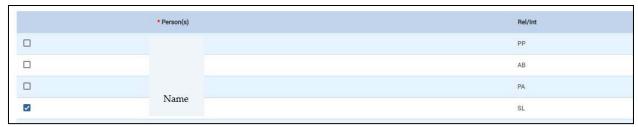
You will now see the Service Authorization Information Section.

- 14. Select the Service: 68A Reltv/Other Caregor-Hm Assment
- 15. Select the Begin date
- 16. Select the End date (3 month timeframe)
- 17. Select the Frequency: 1
- 18. Select the Authorization Type: Initial
- 19. Select the Period: Month
- 20. Select the Requested Units: 1.00

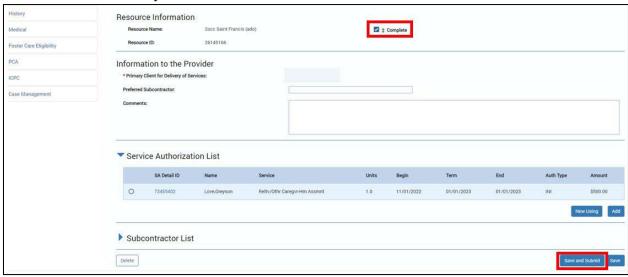


From the person list selection section, select Primary Client for Delivery of Services.

21. Select "Save" button.



- The information is now included in the Service Authorization Header screen.
- 22. Select the "Complete" check box



- 23. Select the "Save and Submit" button
- 24. Submit to your supervisor for approval