

**Texas Civil Commitment Office**  
**Program Under New Law vs. Program Prior to New Law**

<b>Program Under New Law</b>	<b>Program Prior to New Law</b>
Clients will receive up to six (6) hours (100% increase) of sex offender treatment per week.	Clients received sex offender treatment three (3) hours per week.
Individual sessions one (1) time per month and as needed.	Individual sessions two (2) times a month.
Clients will receive two (2) hours of Therapeutic Study Hall facilitated by a Master's level Clinical Therapist.	
Clients will participate in one (1) hour of Therapeutic Community Meetings per week.	
Clients will be offered eight (8) hours per week of Therapeutic Work Program for employment and vocational training opportunities. The goals of the Therapeutic Work Program includes: a) to increase knowledge and understanding of career development to the SVP Client; b) to assist SVP Clients to develop a positive work ethic, job skills, and other pro-social behaviors; and c) to increase SVP Client self-sufficiency and self-esteem. The Therapeutic Work Program will enable Clients to develop skills and personal habits necessary for gainful employment upon release to the community.	
Clients will be eligible for employment based on their level and stage of treatment. Employment opportunities will be available in food service preparation, general maintenance, housekeeping, and other placements as determined appropriate.	
Clients who work a job in the facility will be paid minimum wage.	
Clients will be provided with additional weekly programming to include Life Skills including employment services, budget planning, substance abuse education, and personal care	
Clients are offered weekly AA/NA group meetings.	

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<p>Clients will have daily open and structured recreational activities. The TCCC has a Recreational Specialist to facilitate the structured recreational activities. Recreation and leisure time activities are one component of the TCCC's overall rehabilitation program, which augments treatment services to foster the development of pro-social behavior while also serving as a component of the TCCC's wellness plan.</p>	
<p>Clients will reside at the Texas Civil Commitment Center (TCCC) in a tiered program.</p>	<p>Clients resided in halfway houses contracted with the Office. Housing in all halfway houses (HWH) expired 8/31/2015. There are no halfway houses available to house the SVP clients.</p>
<p>Clients required to be monitored by GPS.</p>	<p>Client required to be monitored by GPS.</p>
<p>Decriminalizes technical violations. Treatment &amp; supervision violations are no longer subject to criminal penalties. Violations for contacting the victim, not residing at a location instructed by the office, tampering with the GPS or leaving the state without permission can result in a felony offense.</p>	<p>Any violation of civil commitment e.g., being late to treatment or returning to the HWH, not wanting to attend treatment, termination from treatment, etc. could result in being charged with a felony and returning to TDCJ-CID.</p>
<p>Clients are being supervised by a case manager and TCCC staff.</p>	<p>Clients were supervised by a case manager.</p>
<p>Clients will receive family sessions.</p>	<p>Clients received family sessions.</p>
<p>Therapist and case managers will have monthly treatment team meetings to discuss clients, services coordination and other issues.</p>	<p>Therapist and case managers had monthly treatment team meetings to discuss clients, services coordination and other issues.</p>
<p>Requires TDCJ to prioritize placement in the sex offender treatment program of civilly committed persons who have been committed but not yet released.</p>	
<p>Clients will be supervised from more restrictive to less restrictive housing and supervision and eventually release to the community based on the client's behavior and progress in treatment.</p>	
<p>Requires the Health and Human Services Commission to provide psychiatric &amp; disability, for clients with intellectual or developmental disability, mental illness, or physical disability.</p>	
<p>Clients are required to reside in their last county of conviction for sexually violent offense once released from the Center.</p>	