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I am currently the Chief of Strategic Programs for the Texas Office of Risk Management where I oversee all operations of the division's four departments, which include Risk Management, Workers' Compensation, Communications & Development, and Document Processing. As Senior Advisor, I advise on multidisciplinary strategies for continuous improvement in agency products and services, and mission-critical initiatives.

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Ms. English served for over 13 years as the Executive Director of the Texas Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities where she planned, directed and coordinated the programmatic goals and all related business of the Committee. She spoke to complex disabilities issues, trends and laws and develops biennial policy recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature on issues related to best practices and emerging trends consistent with the full inclusion and participation of Texans with disabilities in ten issue areas. These ten issue areas are; access, communication, education, emergency management, health, housing, recreation, transportation, veterans and employment.

In 2010, she was appointed by Janet Napolitano to serve on the [Local, State, Tribal and Federal Preparedness Task Force](#), which was charged with assessing the state of the nation's disaster preparedness and making recommendations. The task force report "Perspective on Preparedness: Taking Stock Since 9/11," represents a significant milestone in aligning preparedness leadership, practitioners, and stakeholders to a common vision for future improvements across the Nation. The Perspective on Preparedness report offers an analysis of what preparedness has meant in the United States, both historically and since 9/11, and includes an in-depth analysis of post-9/11 preparedness-related activities in policy and guidance, grants, and capabilities and assessment. The Task Force also provided input into the Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD8), the National Preparedness Report, and the Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment (THIRA). Additionally, Ms. English was a member of the National Disaster Recovery Framework Access and Functional Needs Subcommittee that worked on the Whole Community paradigm and language.

In 2012, she was selected to attend the [Executive Leaders Program](#) at the Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security in Monterey, California. The Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security in partnership with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's National Preparedness Directorate provides the educational opportunity for our nation's homeland security leaders to develop the strategies, policies and organizational elements needed to defeat terrorism in the United States.

In 2014, Ms. English graduated With Distinction from the Naval Postgraduate School's [Center for Homeland Defense and Security](#) with a Master of Arts in Security Studies. She is the recipient of the Curtis H. "Butch" Straub Award which is given to the graduate whose leadership, integrity, vision and intellectual courage best honors the man who, in founding CHDS, demonstrated his commitment and development of the discipline of homeland security, to public service, and to risk and change as the cornerstones of both. She was also nominated for the Outstanding Thesis Award in her cohort.

In 1986 she graduated with a Master's degree from Baylor University in Educational Psychology and in 1980 obtained a Bachelor's Degree from Carson-Newman College in Art/Special Education.

Ms. English is a Licensed Professional Counselor and a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. She has teaching degrees in Special Education and Art Education K-12 grades.