

Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Emergency Dispatch Task Force—SB492

Purpose:

The Task Force:

- a. shall study and evaluate the development of a law enforcement behavioral health emergency dispatch system that will assist and encourage law enforcement agencies and hospitals and emergency medical service providers providing services pursuant to Section 1-101 et seq. of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes, to provide an organized system of transportation for persons in need of mental health or substance abuse inpatient treatment,
- b. shall study the practicality of adopting current systems in place such as the Trauma Transfer and Referral Center system, established pursuant to the Oklahoma Trauma Systems Improvement and Development Act or the adoption of a similar system or model to ensure that persons are directed to the appropriate hospital based on a regional plan and the current capability and capacity of hospitals,

Membership: The Task Force shall consist of eleven (11) members as follows:

1. The Commissioner, or designee, of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services;
2. The State Commissioner of Health, or designee, of the State Department of Health;
3. An individual representing a statewide sheriffs' organization to be appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives;
4. An individual representing a statewide chiefs of police organization to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate;
5. An individual representing a statewide hospital organization to be appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives;
6. An individual representing a statewide behavioral health advocacy organization to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;
7. An individual representing a statewide organization that serves consumers of mental health services to be appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives;
8. An individual representing a statewide association of county governments to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
9. An individual representing a statewide association of city governments to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;
10. One member of the Oklahoma House of Representatives as appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives; and
11. One member of the Senate as appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate.

Staffing/Support:

Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services