

PROCEDURES FOR INVOLUNTARY MENTAL HEALTH COMMITMENT IN FORT BEND COUNTY

1. Locate a facility that will accept the patient. If you locate a facility, you must make certain that you take down the Facility name, phone number for Admissions, and the person's name you spoke with. The County cannot refer to a specific facility, but the following are some of the hospitals that have treated residents of Fort Bend County:
 - Behavioral Hospital of Bellaire: Houston (800)423-0017 (713)600-9500 <http://bhbhospital.com>
 - Cypress Creek Hospital: far north Houston, 1960 @ I-45 (281) 586-7600 <http://www.cypresscreekhsopital.com>
 - IntraCare North: 1120 Cypress Station Drive, Houston (281) 893-7200 <http://www.intracare.org>
 - Memorial Hermann Prevention & Recovery: 3043 Gessner, Houston (713) 939-7272 www.mhparc.org
 - Memorial Southwest Hospital: 7600 Beechnut, Houston (713) 456-5000 www.memorialhermann.org/locations/southwest
 - Methodist Hospital: Houston (713) 790-3311 <http://www.houstonmethodist.org>
 - Oak Bend Medical Center (Geriatric Psychiatric): 1705 Jackson, Richmond (281) 238-7880 www.oakbendmedcenter.org
 - Oceans Behavioral Hospital Katy (Geriatric Psychiatric): 455 Park Grove Dr., Katy (281)492-8888 <http://oceanskaty.com>
 - St. Joseph's Hospital: Houston (713) 757-7512 <http://www.simctx.com>
 - West Oaks Hospital: 6500 Hornwood, near 59 & Hillcroft, Houston (713) 995-0909 <http://www.westoakshospital.com>
 - West Houston Medical Center: 12141 Richmond Avenue, Houston (713) 588-8318 <http://www.westhoustonmedical.com>
 - Gulf Coast Medical Center: 10141 US 59 RD, Wharton (979) 532-2500 <http://www.gulfcoastmedical.com>
 - Westpark Springs: 6902 S. Peek Road, Richmond (832) 535-2770 www.westparksprings.com
2. If the patient has no insurance and/or funds for facility costs, you may try to locate a facility with an indigent bed available. If no private facility will accept the patient, contact Texana Center at 800-633-5686 for information about a commitment to Austin State Hospital (ASH). Please be aware that there are limited beds available for Fort Bend County.
3. After calling to make sure the Judge will be in the office, go to the Justice of the Peace for the precinct where the patient lives to obtain a mental health warrant. If that Justice of the Peace is not in or available, please ask which JP you should contact:
 - JP 1, Place 1: 3114 Rosenberg St., Needville, TX • 979-793-3403 or 832-471-2550
 - JP 1, Place 2: 1517 Eugene Heimann Cir., Ste. 100, Richmond, TX • 281-341-3742
 - JP 2: 303 Texas Parkway (FM 2234), Rm. 107, Missouri City, TX • 281-403-8080
 - JP 3: 22333 Grand Corner Dr., Katy, TX • 281-238-1460
 - JP 4: 12919 Dairy Ashford, Ste. 100, Sugar Land, TX • 281-491-6016

▶ ▶ If calling after hours, you may call the Sheriff's Office Dispatch at 281-341-4665. Let the Dispatcher know you need to contact the Justice of the Peace on call regarding a mental health commitment.
4. When completing the Application for a mental health warrant, make certain you list the name and telephone number for the facility for confirmation by the Sheriff's Office that the facility is expecting this patient.
5. If the mental health warrant is issued, the warrant will be sent to the Sheriff (or Texana) and arrangements will be made for the transport of the patient to the facility.
6. If the facility is in another county, the commitment will most likely take place in that county (not Fort Bend County) because it is difficult for the doctors in other counties to travel to Fort Bend County for the hearings. Therefore, you may be sent to the other County Attorney's Office for further handling.
7. If the only facility available to the patient is Austin State Hospital, the commitment will take place in Austin and Travis County will handle the proceedings.
8. If the patient is incarcerated for a violent offense, no commitment can take place until the patient is released from jail.
9. For more information, contact the Fort Bend County Attorney's Office at 281-341-4555.