

PROCEDURES FOR INVOLUNTARY MENTAL HEALTH COMMITMENT IN FORT BEND COUNTY

1. Locate a facility that will accept the proposed 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.cypresscreekhospital.com>
 - Gulf Coast Medical Center: 10141 US 59 RD, Wharton (979) 532-2500 <http://www.gulfcoastmedical.com>
 - IntraCare North: 1120 Cypress Station Drive, Houston (281) 893-7200 <http://www.intracare.org>
 - Memorial Hermann Prevention & Recovery: 3043 Gessner, Houston (346) 888-0055 www.parcbh.com
 - 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://oceanshealthcare.com>
 - Voyages Behavioral Health of Sugarland: 11931 Hwy 6 S. Sugar Land, Texas 77498 (281) 896-0112 www.VoyagesSugarLand.com
 - West Houston Medical Center: 12141 Richmond Avenue, Houston (713) 588-8318 <http://www.westhoustonmedical.com>
 - West Oaks Hospital: 6500 Hornwood, near 59 & Hillcroft, Houston (713) 995-0909 <http://www.westoakshospital.com>
 - Westpark Springs: 6902 S. Peek Road, Richmond (832) 535-2770 www.westparksprings.com

2. If the proposed 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 proposed 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 proposed patient lives to obtain a mental health warrant. If that Justice of the Peace is not available, please ask which JP you should contact:

COURT	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
JP 1, Place 1	22333 Grand Corner Dr., Katy, Texas 77497	281-238-1460
JP 1, Place 2	6610 FM 359, Ste.600, Fulshear, Texas 77441	281-341-3742
JP 2, Place 1	303 Texas Parkway (FM 2234), Rm. 107, Missouri City, Texas 77489	281-403-8080
JP 2: Place 2	3114 Rosenberg St. Needville, Texas 77461	346-481-6990
JP 3	12919 Dairy Ashford, Ste. 100, Sugar Land, Texas 77478	281-491-6016
JP 4	1517 Eugene Heimann Circle, Suite 100, Richmond, Texas 77469	832-471-2550

▶ ▶ 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 proposed 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 proposed 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 proposed patient is Austin State Hospital, the commitment will take place in Austin and Travis County will handle the proceedings.
8. If the proposed patient is incarcerated for a violent offense, no commitment can take place until the proposed patient is released from jail.
9. For more information, contact the Fort Bend County Attorney's Office at 281-341-4555.