

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1463

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety; amending  
8 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-270, which relates to a  
9 statewide system of care for stroke; modifying and  
10 adding requirements to include in such system; and  
11 providing an effective date.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-270, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 1-270. A. ~~As funding permits, the~~ The State Department  
16 of Health shall establish a statewide coordinated system of care for  
17 stroke, which shall include special focus and attention on timely  
18 access to care, diagnosis, and the most advanced treatment for  
19 persons most disproportionately affected by stroke. Such system  
20 shall include, but shall not be limited to:

21 1. Recommendations from the Oklahoma Hospital Advisory Council  
22 and other appropriate advisory councils at the discretion of the  
23 State Commissioner of Health;

24 2. Partnerships with relevant associations;

1 3. Measures to raise awareness about the effects of risk  
2 factors for stroke, such as uncontrolled high blood pressure,  
3 tobacco use and diabetes; and

4 4. Promotion of adherence to primary and secondary stroke  
5 recognition and prevention guidelines by health care professionals,  
6 including emergency medical services providers, such as emergency  
7 medical responders and transport providers, and hospital emergency  
8 room and health clinic personnel; and

9 5. The Division of Emergency Medical Services and all local and  
10 regional emergency medical services authorities statewide shall  
11 establish and follow prehospital care protocols related to the  
12 assessment, treatment and transport of stroke patients by certified  
13 emergency medical responders. Such protocols shall include, at a  
14 minimum, plans for the triage and transport of acute stroke patients  
15 within a specified timeframe of onset of symptoms.

16 B. The State Board of Health shall promulgate rules as  
17 necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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