

Task Force on the Intersection of Tribal and State Forensic Behavioral Health

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Public Notice and Meeting Agenda REVISED 08 04 2026

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Wednesday, August 5th

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Remote Location: [Public Webex Link](#)

Update: Remote meeting only; no in-person option

Welcome and Roll Call

Review and Adoption of Minutes

Review and Discussion of State Behavioral Health Systems

1. Processes for Civil Commitment
2. Processes for Aid and Assist/Competency
3. Payment and Reimbursement Pathways

Overview of Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Tribal Engagement Efforts

1. Development of process to engage tribes when tribal member is within state aid and assist or civil commitment process
2. Goals for engagement
3. OHA engagement in rulemaking process

Review and Discussion on Indian Law Proposal-Full Faith and Credit

Discussion on Ways to Involve Persons with Lived Experiences

Public Comment

Homework and Next Steps

Adjourn

Hon. Patrick Melendy, Chief
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