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Intellectual and Developmental Disability and
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Health and Human Services Commission



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Senate Bill 1849, 85R (2017)

The Sandra Bland Act

- Expands the Healthy Community Collaboratives program to include rural communities serving two or more counties with a population of less than 100,000

Funding

- Rider 73 (S.B. 1, Article II, HHSC, 85R, 2017) specifies up to \$10 million of the \$25 million allocated may be used to expand into rural areas
- HHSC identified \$4.8 million over the 2018-19 biennium available for rural expansion
 - \$400,000 set aside for a Learning Community project



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Senate Bill 1849

Healthy Community Collaboratives Program

- Established by S.B. 58, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013
- Assists participants with achieving recovery and re-integration within their communities through the provision of permanent housing
- Connects participants with support services such as mental health treatment, substance use treatment, and employment services
- Currently four sites: Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, and San Antonio



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Implementation

- Request for Application (RFA) anticipated release in May 2018
 - Contracts executed by August 2018
- Learning Community project
 - Engaged universities for participation in December 2017
 - Anticipate selecting university partner in February 2018
 - Learning Community operational by March 2018



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Behavioral Health Grant Collaborative Programs

House Bill 13, 85R (2017)

- Grants to support community mental health programs providing services and treatment to individuals experiencing mental illness
- Fiscal Years 2018-19 Funding through a Needs and Capacity Assessment (NCA): \$15 million
 - An additional \$15 million will be procured through an RFA
- 29 local authorities submitted applications and 25 were identified as apparent awardees; contracts under negotiation

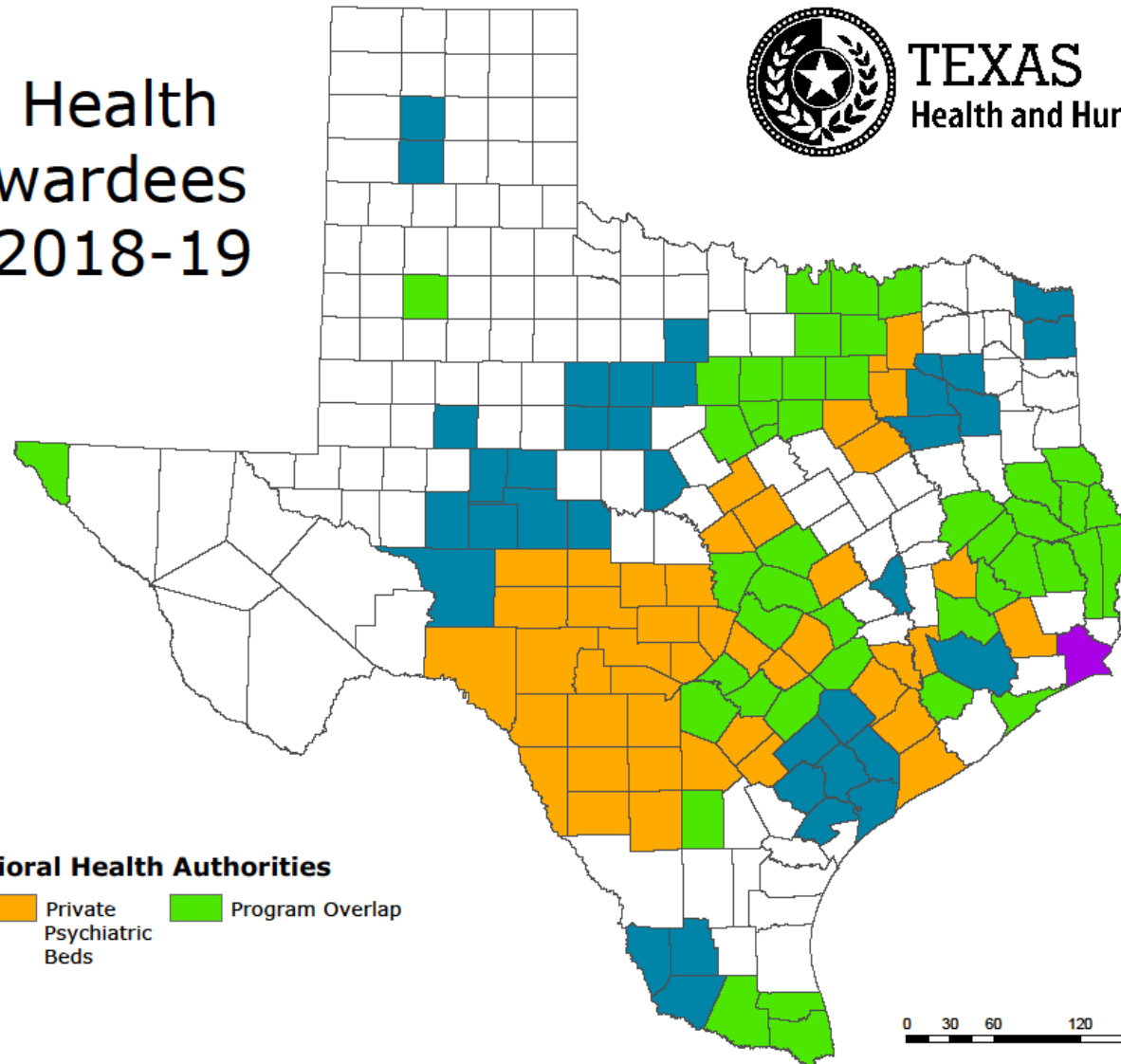
Senate Bill 292, 85R (2017)

- Grants to reduce rates of recidivism, arrest, and incarceration among individuals with mental illness, and reduce wait times for treatment for individuals determined Incompetent to Stand Trial or Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity
- Fiscal Year 2018 Funding through an NCA: \$12.5 million
- 14 local authorities submitted applications and all were identified as apparent awardees; contracts under negotiation

Behavioral Health Apparent Awardees Fiscal Year 2018-19



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Local Mental/Behavioral Health Authorities

- HB 13
- SB 292
- Private Psychiatric Beds
- Program Overlap

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Thank you

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