



# Additional Cuts to ODMHSAS Will Significantly Alter the Number of Oklahomans Able to Access Appropriate Care

## Number of Oklahomans to Lose Services Due to Additional Cuts

<u>10.0%</u>	<u>15.0%</u>	<u>20.0%</u>
8,043	12,065	16,087

## Percentage Cut to the Number of People Served by ODMHSAS

10%	15%	20%
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## Number of Immediate Family Members (Spouses, Children, etc.) Potentially Impacted

15,282	22,924	30,565
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# The Headlines We Never Expected to See in Oklahoma...

## **Son cursed at imaginary people in room**

*The Denver Post*

Bruco "Bo" Strong Eagle Eastwood has a history of ending conflict with weapons, according to Colorado court records. He had pulled knives. Pointed guns. Thrown punches. But on Tuesday, Bo Eastwood pulled the trigger, apparently for the first time, wounding two eighth-graders with a rifle believed taken from his father's gun cabinet.

## **Murder in Fresno doubles, mental health plays a role**

*The Fresno Bee*

A dramatic surge in murders in the city of Fresno has residents on edge. The Fresno Police department is investigating thirteen homicides compared to six this time last year. "Out of the thirteen, three involve mental health issues," Fresno Police Chief Jerry Dyer said. "I think budget cuts, whether it deals with people being released early from prison or jail or people not being able to receive the proper mental health care, all of those, contribute to crime within our city."

## **Mental illness plagued shooter**

*Associated Press*

The man who opened fire in front of the Pentagon had a history of mental illness and had become so erratic that his parents reached out to local authorities weeks ago with a warning that he was unstable and might have a gun, authorities said Friday.

## **Critics site problems after closure of mental-health center**

*The Fresno Bee*

Six months ago, Fresno County closed its only psychiatric-crisis center to save money, forcing police to take potentially dangerous people to hospital emergency rooms instead. The result has been a disaster, critics say, as hundreds of mentally ill patients flooded the county's already-busy emergency rooms -- overwhelming unprepared doctors and nurses. "The system is in total meltdown," said David Weikel, executive director of Mental Health America of the Central Valley, an advocacy group.

# Are Already Here

# Recent Oklahoma Headlines

## Man arrested after chasing children with taser

*KSOW (Lawton)*

Lawton Police say a teenager showed up at the Union Park playground Saturday afternoon and started to chase the kids who were playing there with a taser. They say they were notified about the man with a taser after a concerned passerby witnessed screaming children running from the man in the park. Police say it was a good thing they got the call, because the man was armed with several other weapons.

## Man charged with radio station gun assaults

*The Tulsa World*

A man who police said walked into a Tulsa radio station with a gun Jan. 13 was charged Monday with five counts of assault with a dangerous weapon. Barry Styles, 58, who authorities allege wanted to take hostages and pointed the gun at several employees...

## Felon pleads guilty to killing woman in 2008

*The Norman Transcript*

A convicted felon charged with killing a woman he met through a telephone chat line in 2008 has agreed to serve a life sentence in prison with a chance of parole for her murder, according to a copy of his plea agreement. "He had some significant mental health problems," David Smith said. "He was incompetent for a while. The case was stayed for a while pending his competence."

## Seminole deputy killings suspect battled ill, mom says

*The Daily Oklahoman*

The mother of a man accused of gunning down two sheriff's deputies said her son has a profound respect for police officers, but he battles a dark, alternate personality that drives him to violence.

## Norman homicide defendant battled depression, alcoholism, psychiatrist testifies

*The Oklahoman*

## Lawton hospital lays off 56, including COO

*The Oklahoman*

## Multiple violent-crime calls leave police shorthanded

*The Tulsa World*

## Police shooting leaves man dead in Shawnee

*The Oklahoman*

Shawnee police said they shot a man to death Monday after he lunged at officers with a knife. Shumaker said McCann had been in custody twice in the past six months for mental evaluations.

## Man makes bomb threat at airport

*The Oklahoman*

Officers at Tulsa International Airport chased down and arrested a man who threatened to detonate a bomb at a security checkpoint Sunday night.

## Barricaded man surrenders after firing several shots

*The Tulsa World*

Police negotiators talked a suicidal man out of a Tulsa residence after he holed up inside and fired a gun Wednesday morning.

## Double killer's mental illness cited in effort to spare his life

*The Tulsa World*

## Report details Nichols Hills doctor's mental illness, remorse

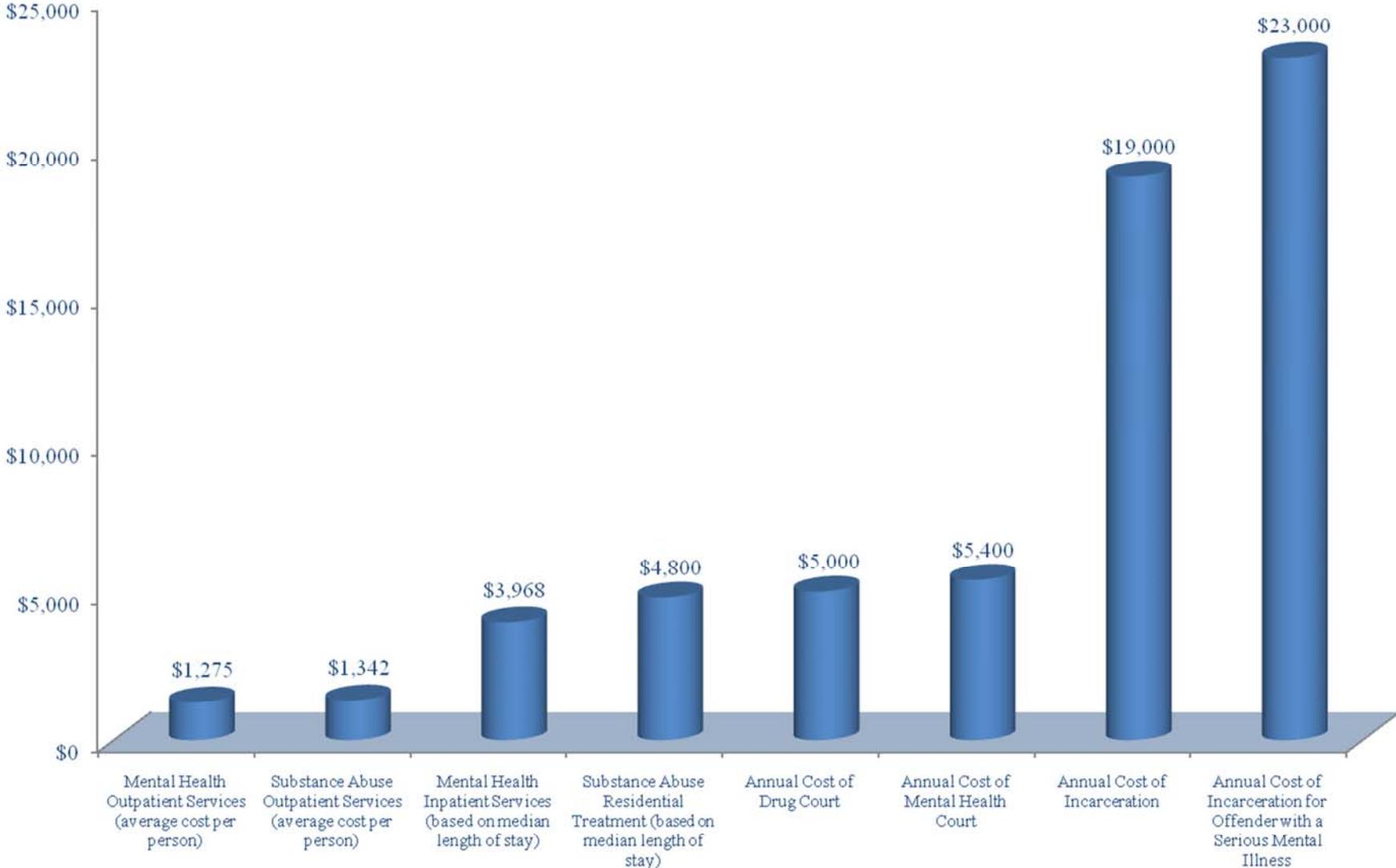
*The Oklahoman*

## State revenue shortfalls concern hospital board

*Tahlequah Daily Press*

While Tahlequah City Hospital remains on firm financial footing, officials are concerned about the impact a continued decline in state revenue may have on the institution. This could lead to additional stress on local hospitals throughout the state, as they will have to deal with incidents related to untreated mental health illnesses, suicide and other issues. This is expected to especially affect emergency rooms.

# Cost of Services for Oklahoma Department of Mental Health Services versus Oklahoma Department of Corrections Stay



# CUTTING ODMHSAS SERVICES DIRECTLY IMPACTS THE STATE'S CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM

Between 2,654 and 5,309 Oklahomans will face an increased risk of incarceration as a result of additional cuts to ODMHSAS services.

Percent Cut to ODMHSAS	Individuals who are at an Increased Risk for Incarceration	If All Ended Up in Custody of DOC
10%	2,654	<b>\$50,426,000</b>
15%	3,981	<b>\$75,639,000</b>
20%	5,309	<b>\$100,871,000</b>



# People Recover When They Receive Appropriate Care



- Mental illness and addiction are diseases of the brain that can be diagnosed and effectively treated. In some instances they are preventable.
- The treatment success rate for schizophrenia is 60%, and more than 80% of people with depression can be treated successfully with medications, psychotherapy or a combination of both. Substance abuse treatment has similar positive outcomes if people can access appropriate treatment and follow-up care.
- What does access to care mean for Oklahomans? It means that instead of living lives filled with the consequences of these diseases - sickness, unemployment, divorce, child abuse and neglect, or incarceration - future generations of Oklahomans could live happier, healthier, more productive lives.

# Families will be Significantly Impacted (And Other Family Service Providers, Including Foster Care)

- An estimated 15,282 to 30,565 immediate family members, such as spouses and children, will be directly impacted because their loved-ones are denied services.
- And cases of abuse and neglect are on the rise. In Oklahoma County alone, there were 1,167 new cases of confirmed “substance involved” child abuse and neglect last year.

