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## **Media Advisory**

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## Governor's Mental Health Task Force to Meet in El Dorado

TOPEKA –The Governor's Mental Health Task Force (GMHTF) will be holding its monthly meeting Thursday in El Dorado.

## **Event: Governor's Mental Health Task Force Meeting**

WHO: Members of the GMHTF: Co-Chair Dr. Rick Goscha, Lawrence; Co-Chair Dr. Karen Countryman-Roswurm, Wichita; Captain Bill Cochran, Topeka; Judge Tom Webb, Sublette; Dr. Steven Davies, Horton; Dr. Rick Gaskill, Wichita; Amanda Adkins, Kansas City; Ric Dalke, Garden City; Dr. Charlie Griffin, Manhattan; Dr. Michael Leeson, Lawrence; Becky Gray, Pittsburg; Cathy Ramshaw, Topeka; Pastor David Redmond, Concordia; Les Sperling, Lindsborg and Mark Potter, Cheney; Father Richard L. Daise, Salina

**WHEN**: Thursday, November 14, 2013, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

WHERE: Butler Community College Welcome Center—Ted Dankert Board Room 901 S. Haverhill Road, El Dorado

Kansas Governor Sam Brownback established the GMHTF to re-evaluate the state's mental health system and determine ways to make it stronger and more effective. Task Force members represent a diverse mix of disciplines, academic backgrounds, and social services and community experiences. Mental and behavioral health staff from the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services, which has the responsibility for managing the majority of the state's mental health programs, is providing support and assistance to the task force effort.

This event is open to the media. Please contact Angela de Rocha with any questions, 785-806-7482.