



**County Management
&
Risk Conference
April 5, 2018**

SB 1849 and changes to Jail Standards

In order to meet the mandated deadlines of the bill, this process started on August 3, 2017

Staggered implementation dates
Four phases

SB1849 also changed 16.22 CCP
Magistrate notification within 12
hours (previously 72 hours)
Effective September 1, 2017

Phase I

A. Serious Incident Report

B. Death in Custody Investigation

C. Continuity of Medications

Serious Incident **Report**

8 Categories

Suicides, Deaths, Assaults

Escapes & Use of Force

Serious Bodily Injury

Death in Custody **Investigations**

Outside Investigation

Texas Rangers

Locals can assist

Continuity of Medications

Qualified medical professional

Shall review ASAP

Any prescription medication

**When prisoner is taken into
custody**

Continuity of Medications

§273.2(12) provide procedures that shall require that a qualified medical professional shall review as soon as possible any prescription medication a prisoner is taking when the prisoner is taken into custody.

Continuity of **Medications**

TA Memo sent 1/3/2018

Described what was required

Included simple addendum

-Signed & Returned

Qualified Medical **Professional**

- 1. Physicians**
- 2. RNs**
- 3. LVNs**
- 4. NOT: EMTs or Pharmacists**

Phase II

Jail Administrator Exam

On-Line

75 Questions

100% to Pass

Appointed after 3/1/2018

Phase III

**A. 24-Hour Access to
Mental Health**

**B. 24-Hour Access to
Medical**

**C. Electronic Verification
of Checks**

Ability to access mental health professional

- **at the jail through a telemental health service**
- **24 hours a day**

Ability to access a health professional

- **at the jail or through a telehealth service**
- **24 hours a day or,**
- **if unavailable at the jail, transport them**

Install electronic sensors or cameras to ensure accurate checks of cells for at-risk inmates.

- **Prisoner Safety Fund**
 - **Jails 96 beds or less are eligible**
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- **ADOPT: September 1, 2018**
 - **COMPLY: September 1, 2020**

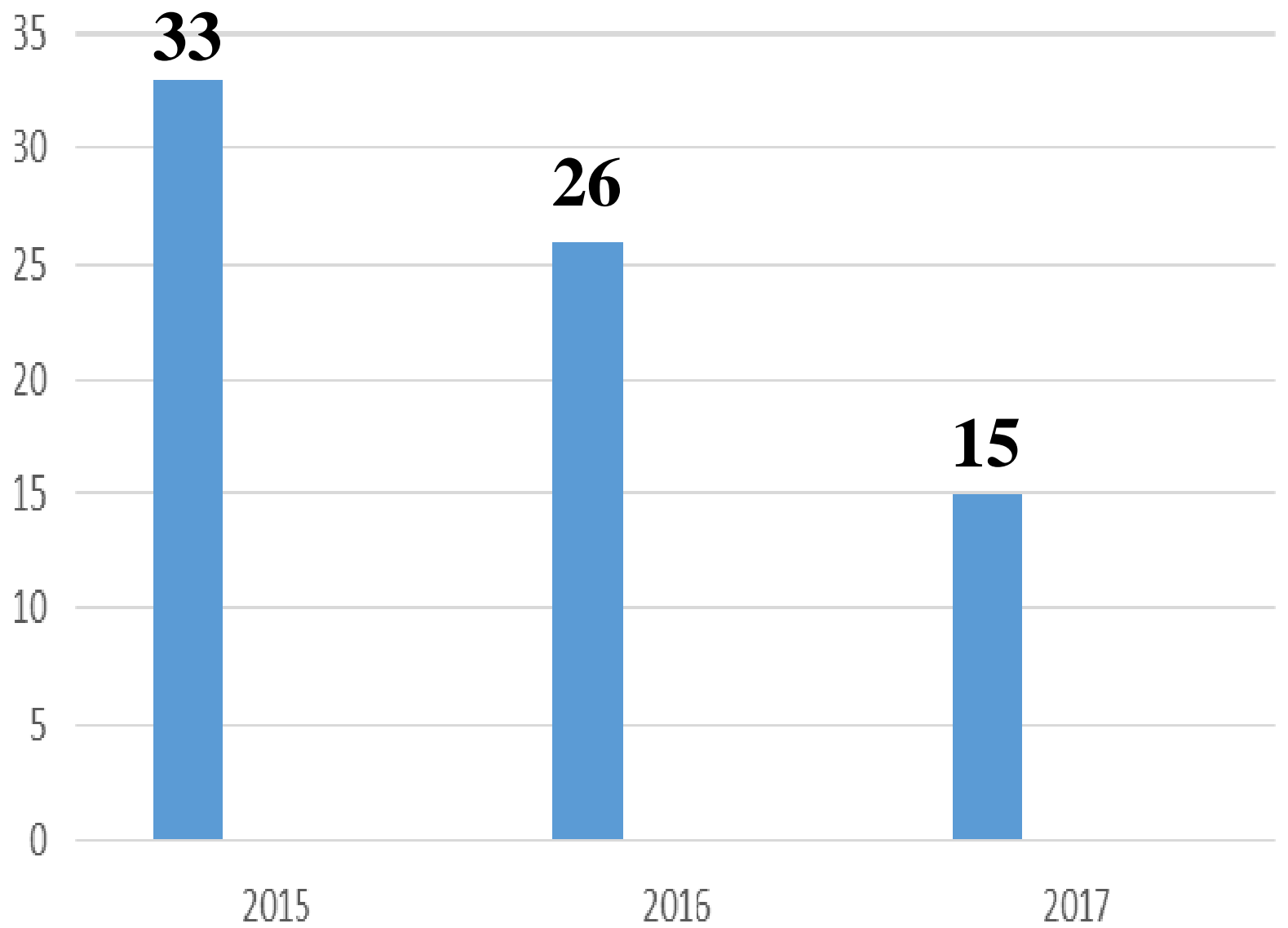
Phase IV

Mental Health Training

Texas Commission on Jail Standards

- Required county jailer training course
- 8 hours of mental health training
- Approved by TCOLE and the Commission
- Current license holders have until **August 31, 2021** to take an approved eight hour mental health training course.
- TCJS now has 3 mental health trainers
- Responsible for teaching/conducting the mental health training course in their assigned region.
- No charge to the county for the training
- GAP! 9/1/2017 to ??/??/2018

Suicides FY 2015-2017



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