

## Substitute for HOUSE BILL No. 2038

By Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

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9 AN ACT concerning multidisciplinary teams for adults.

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11 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

12 Section 1. (a) A multidisciplinary team for adults in need of support  
13 or services is a group of professionals in medicine, public health, protec-  
14 tive services, mental health, social work, legal, law enforcement, advocacy  
15 or community services who have been appointed to serve under subsec-  
16 tion (b). Team members shall include professionals who possess knowl-  
17 edge and skills related to the diagnosis, assessment and disposition of an  
18 adult in need of support or services or who are knowledgeable of the  
19 support and services that are available to adults in the community. The  
20 team's role is to serve as an advisor to the referring individual and provide  
21 recommendations that empower the adult to be provided support and  
22 services in the community in the least restrictive setting. The team shall  
23 have no authority to impose services or recommendations.

24 (b) (1) The chief judge or a district court judge designated by the  
25 chief judge of a judicial district may appoint a multidisciplinary team for  
26 adults in need of support or services.

27 (2) Upon appointment, the members of the multidisciplinary team  
28 shall establish a procedure by which referrals regarding adults in need of  
29 support or services may be made to the multidisciplinary team.

30 (c) The multidisciplinary team may receive a referral from any re-  
31 sponsible adult. The multidisciplinary team must obtain informed, written  
32 consent to the free and open exchange of information about the adult  
33 and the adult's needs from the adult personally or the adult's legal rep-  
34 resentative before engaging in any multidisciplinary team work related to  
35 that adult.

36 (d) (1) The multidisciplinary team must keep all information, records  
37 and documents disclosed about an adult who has been referred to the  
38 multidisciplinary team limited to the team members or the appointing  
39 authority.

40 (2) The multidisciplinary team shall establish procedures for main-  
41 taining the privacy of the adult in need of support or services.

42 (3) Disclosure of information, records or documents regarding an  
43 adult who has been referred to the multidisciplinary team in violation of

1 this subsection shall be grounds for dismissal from the team.  
2 (4) Nothing in this subsection prohibits a multidisciplinary team  
3 member from complying with an obligation as a mandatory reporter aris-  
4 ing under K.S.A 39-1431, and amendments thereto.  
5 (e) As used in this section, “adult” shall have the definition provided  
6 in K.S.A. 39-1430, and amendments thereto.  
7 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
8 publication in the statute book.