



Mary Fallin
Governor

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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
OF STATE

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE ORDER 2017-42**

To the Secretary of State, the Director of Office of Management and Enterprise Services, to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and to the Commissioner of Health:

I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to the power and authority vested in me by Sections 1 and 2 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution and by Section 840-4.1 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes hereby reaffirm and Order that the Oklahoma State Department of Health and the employees of the Oklahoma State Department of Health are under the Merit System of Personnel Administration for the State of Oklahoma.

Pursuant to the power and authority vested in me by Section 840-4.1(A) of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, I hereby exempt from the Merit System the following positions: Director of Human Resources, Chief of Staff, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Security Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and Director of Communications.

The exemption listed above is in addition to any other general exemption or exception from the Merit System of Personnel Administration codified in state law and any specific exemptions for the Oklahoma State Department of Health and the following Executive Orders: (1) the Unnumbered Executive Order dated November 6, 1959 issued by then Governor J. Howard Edmondson originally placing the Oklahoma State Department of Health under the Merit System of Personnel Administration; and (2) Executive Order 85-8 originally issued by then Governor George Nigh on July 1, 1985, which amended the Executive Order issued by Governor J. Howard Edmondson.

Copies of this Executive Order shall be distributed to the Secretary of State, the Director of Office of Management and Enterprise Services, the Secretary of Health and Human Services and to the Commissioner of Health.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this 14th day of December, 2017.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Mary Fallin

MARY FALLIN

ATTEST

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DAVE LOPEZ, SECRETARY OF STATE

