Mary Fallin  
Governor

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
EXECUTIVE ORDER 2013-8

I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to the power vested in me by Sections 1 and 2 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution hereby establish the Governor’s Blue Ribbon Panel for Developmental Disabilities.

The Panel shall consist of ten (10) members with both the director of the Department of Rehabilitation Services (“DRS”) and the director of the Oklahoma Developmental Disabilities Council serving as two (2) additional ex-officio members. The members shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Governor shall also select the chair of the Panel who will then select a vice-chair. The Panel shall include the following members: individuals with developmental disabilities, parents of adults or children with developmental disabilities, and individuals with professional experience regarding developmental disabilities.

The purpose of the Panel shall be to develop a comprehensive plan to support individuals with developmental disabilities and their families, to address the state’s growing wait list of thousands of individuals requesting DDSD community services, and to research and analyze best practices for the comprehensive delivery of high quality services to Oklahomans with developmental disabilities. The Panel shall also act in an advisory capacity to the Governor on all issues related to providing community services for individuals with developmental disabilities. The Panel shall submit an annual report to the Governor regarding its findings and shall sunset on March 5, 2015.

Administrative support for the Panel, including, but not limited to, personnel necessary to ensure the proper performance of the duties and responsibilities of the Panel, shall be provided by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services.

This Executive Order shall be distributed to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Oklahoma Department of Human Services, who shall cause the provisions of this Order to be implemented.
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 this 5th day of March, 2013.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

[Signature]
MARY FALLIN

ATTEST

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SECRETARY OF STATE

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