



Behavioral Health Premise Alert



The purpose of the "Behavioral Health Premise Alert" is to provide responding law enforcement officers and other first responders with information which may assist them in their responses and investigations to calls for service.

Enrollment is voluntary and the information provided will be submitted and added to law enforcement dispatch systems. Enrollment can be made by:

- Individuals who have a behavioral health issues
- Parents or guardians of minor children who have a behavioral health issues
- Those with legal guardianship for another who has a behavioral health issues*
- Those with lawful power of attorney for another who has a behavioral health issues*
- Current foster care parents of child living within premise who has a behavioral health issues (The child's name is not required)
- A family member or caregiver living at the premise of a person who has behavioral health issues

Information provided in the Behavioral Health Premise Alert Voluntary Early Notification Registration Form will be scanned by the Topeka Police Department and kept electronically.

When dispatch receives a call about the address listed on the form, the information that was provided on the form will be provided to first responders by radio to assist them in their responses and investigations to calls for service.

The information will be maintained by the Topeka Police Department for three months. At the end of three months, the Police Department will contact the provider of the information to confirm the information is still accurate and if they wish to continue in the program. In the event the provider of the information wants to change or remove the information from the premise alert before the three month period ends, they must contact the Topeka Police Department at: (785) 368-9571).

Premise Alert notification systems are a best practice utilized by law enforcement agencies across the United States. Premise Alerts play a major role in keeping those with behavioral health issues, their family members, first responders, and other citizens of the community safe.

If after three months, the Topeka Police Department cannot reach the provider of the information at the phone number listed, the information will be deleted from the Computer Aided Dispatch system.