



# SENATE BILL 400: Adult Protection Multidisciplinary Teams.

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**OVERVIEW:** *Senate Bill 400 would authorize counties to establish Case Review Multidisciplinary Teams, consisting of various professionals associated with social services, law enforcement, and health care, to (i) review selected active cases in which disabled adults or older adults are being served by adult protective services and (ii) make recommendations to the board of county commissioners for addressing systemic problems and service gaps that may exist in the delivery of services to disabled adults and older adults.*

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 400 would add Article 6B, entitled Local Adult Protection Multidisciplinary Teams, to Chapter 108A of the General Statutes, which governs social services. Article 6B of Chapter 108A of the General Statutes would do all of the following:

- Define "Case Review Multidisciplinary Team" as an adult protection multidisciplinary team that would review selected active cases in which disabled adults and older adults are being served by adult protective services through a local department of social services.
- Define "disabled adult" as an individual 18 years of age or older or a lawfully emancipated minor who is present in this State and who is physically or mentally incapacitated, including adults with an intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, and autism.
- Define "older adult" as an individual 65 years of age or older.
- Authorize each county to establish its own Case Review Multidisciplinary Team or participate in a multicounty Case Review Multidisciplinary Team.
- Provide that the membership of each Case Review Multidisciplinary Team would consist of professionals associated with social services, law enforcement, and health care.
- Require each Case Review Multidisciplinary Team to meet at least four times each year.
- Authorize each Case Review Multidisciplinary Team to review selected active cases in which disabled adults or older adults are being served by adult protective services.
- Require each Case Review Multidisciplinary Team to annually submit to the board of county commissioners recommendations for addressing systemic problems and service gaps that may exist in the delivery of services to disabled adults and older adults.
- Establish the duties of the director of the local department of social services, including assuring development of written operating procedures for case reviews and providing staff support for the Case Review Multidisciplinary Team.

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- Require the Department of Health and Human Services to develop and make available training materials for the members of each Case Review Multidisciplinary Team.
- Clarify what information could be shared among the members of the Case Review Multidisciplinary Team.
- Establish that the records and information of each Case Review Multidisciplinary Team would generally be confidential.
- Authorize the Social Services Commission to adopt rules to establish protocols for reviews conducted by Case Review Multidisciplinary Teams.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act would become effective October 1, 2025.

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