

HB 272 -- Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force

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This bill establishes the Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force within the Department of Health and Senior Services. The 19-member task force is required to:

- (1) Assess the current and future impact of Alzheimer's disease and related dementia on Missouri residents;
- (2) Examine existing services and resources for individuals with dementia, their families, and caregivers;
- (3) Develop recommendations regarding increased instances of Alzheimer's disease and related dementia;
- (4) Gather public input;
- (5) Submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly by November 1, 2010; and
- (6) Meet at a minimum of once annually to evaluate the implementation and impact of the task force recommendations and provide annual supplemental reports.

When conducting the assessment and making recommendations, the task force is required to examine state trends; existing services, resources, and capacity; and necessary state policies or responses.