



STATE OF LOUISIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
BATON ROUGE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. EWE 92 - 64

- WHEREAS,** multiple drug-resistant Tuberculosis (MDRTB) is a highly contagious disease that poses serious public health problems in civilian and penal populations; and
- WHEREAS,** treatment for MDRTB is complicated and includes expensive medication, quarantine, and isolation; and
- WHEREAS,** AIDS patients are particularly susceptible to MDRTB; and
- WHEREAS,** as of July 19, 1992, twelve cases of MDRTB had been identified out of over 400 known tuberculosis-infected patients in Louisiana; and
- WHEREAS,** it is essential that immediate steps be taken to protect the public and to contain MDRTB;

NOW THEREFORE I, EDWIN W. EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby establish the Governor's Task Force on Multiple-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis within the Executive Department, Office of the Governor, and do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The Governor's Task Force on Multiple-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis is created and established within the Executive Department, Office of the Governor.

SECTION 2: The duties and functions of the Governor's Task Force on Multiple-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis include, but are not limited to, identifying and examining all issues necessary to combat MDRTB in Louisiana, recommending viable solutions to the problems raised by those issues, evaluating the existing and proposed measures which are designed to combat MDRTB in Louisiana, and other duties and functions as directed by the Governor.

SECTION 3: The Governor's Task Force on Multiple-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis shall be composed of twenty-three (23) members who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. These members shall be representative of the following:

- A. Louisiana State Medical Society
- B. Louisiana Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics
- C. Louisiana Family Practitioners Association
- D. Louisiana Hospital Association

- E. Louisiana Nursing Home Association
- F. Louisiana State Nurses Association
- G. American Lung Association of Louisiana
- H. Louisiana Health Care Authority
- I. Tulane University School of Medicine
- J. Louisiana State University School of Medicine
- K. Louisiana State University School of Medicine at Shreveport
- L. Ochsner Foundation Medical Center
- M. Louisiana Sheriff Association
- N. Louisiana District Attorney Association
- O. Louisiana Department of Corrections (Adult)
- P. Louisiana Department of Corrections (Adolescent)
- Q. Secretary, Department of Health and Hospitals
- R. Assistant Secretary, Office of Public Health
- S. Medical Director, Tuberculosis Section, Office of Public Health
- T. HIV Program Office, Department of Health and Hospitals
- U. City of New Orleans Department of Health
- V. Designated member, Louisiana House of Representatives
- W. Designated Member, Louisiana Senate
- X. Two (2) members at large

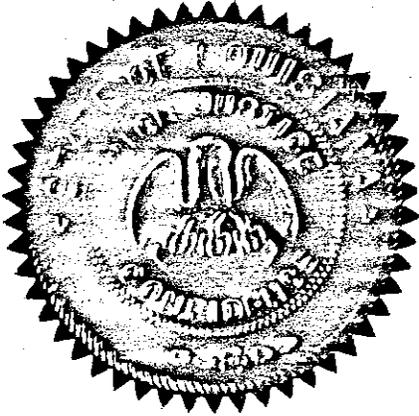
SECTION 4: The members of the Governor's Task Force on Multiple Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis shall receive no compensation for their services. Actual expenses of the Governor's Task Force on Multiple Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis may be reimbursed upon the approval of the Commissioner of Administration.

SECTION 5: The State Health Officer shall serve as the Chairman of the Governor's Task Force on Multiple Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis. The Governor shall appoint the Vice Chairman of the Governor's Task Force on Multiple Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis.

SECTION 6: The Governor's Task Force on Multiple Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis shall report their findings and recommendations to the Governor through the Secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals.

SECTION 7: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Governor's Task Force on Multiple Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis in implementing the provisions of this Executive Order.

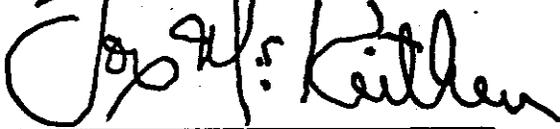
SECTION 8: The provisions of this Executive Order are effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, or rescinded by operation of law.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 8th day of September, 1992.


GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR**



SECRETARY OF STATE