

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

[as required by 75 O.S., Section 303(D)]

TITLE 540. HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE TRAINING COMMISSION CHAPTER 55. HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

A. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PURPOSE OF PROPOSED RULES:

The Health Care Workforce Training Commission proposes revising one of its rules relating to the Health Care Workforce Development Grant Program. This rule change will allow grantees to submit reimbursement requests to the Executive Director for purchases less than \$50,000 more frequently, from once every two (2) months, to once every month. The rule change will also authorize the Executive Director to approve reimbursement of construction-related expenses that are equal to or more than \$50,000, but less than \$500,000, provided that the reimbursement request is received by HWTC on a date at least two (2) weeks before a scheduled Commission meeting and the Commission is informed of any such approvals at the next Commission meeting.

These proposed rule changes, if approved, will decrease the number of special meetings called by the Commission and facilitate more timely reimbursement.

These changes have no fiscal impact to the agency budget outside of the appropriated federal funds for this program.

B. CLASS OF PERSON(S) AFFECTED (CLASS BEARING COST OF RULES):

At this point in time, the agency does not anticipate any cost impacts related to the grant program that are not completely paid for by federal funding, and has not received any information from private or public entities indicating otherwise.

C. CLASS OF PERSON(S) BENEFITED BY PROPOSED RULES:

These rules are to provide the agency and its subrecipients direction and a defined process to fulfill the intent of the grant program, in compliance with state and federal law.

D. DESCRIPTION OF ECONOMIC IMPACT UPON AFFECTED CLASSES OF PERSONS OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

These new rules will not financially impact the agency's current budget or the State of Oklahoma. There are no fees or fee changes associated with these rule changes.

E. COST TO AGENCY, EFFECT ON STATE, INCLUDING A PROJECTED NET LOSS OR GAIN IN SUCH REVENUES:

The agency does not anticipate any additional costs, not legislatively provided to the agency, to implement and administer the Health Care Workforce Development Grant program.

F. ECONOMIC IMPACT THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RULES WILL HAVE ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND WHETHER THE IMPLEMENTATION WILL REQUIRE THE SUBDIVISION'S COOPERATION IN IMPLEMENTING OR ENFORCING THE RULE:

The agency does not anticipate any economic impact on any political subdivision to implement the proposed rules at this time.

G. IMPACT THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RULES WILL HAVE ADVERSELY ON SMALL BUSINESSES AS PROVIDED BY THE OKLAHOMA SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ACT:

The agency does not anticipate any adverse economic impact on small businesses as a result of the proposed rules at this time.

H. LESS COSTLY OR INTRUSIVE METHODS:

N/A

I. IMPACT THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RULES WILL HAVE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND ENVIRONMENT:

The agency does not anticipate any negative effect on the public health, safety, and environment as a result of the proposed rules at this time.

J. DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND ENVIRONMENT IF THE RULE IS NOT IMPLEMENTED:

The agency does have reasonable anticipation that a detrimental effect on public health, safety, and environment could result from a failure to implement the proposed rules and program at this time.

K. DATE PREPARED: December 1, 2023

L. DATE MODIFIED: December 5, 2023