

**TITLE 135. COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH
CHAPTER 10. PROGRAMS, BOARDS, AND COUNCILS: OPERATION AND
ADMINISTRATION**

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

1. A brief description of the purpose of the rule:

Title 135. Commission on Children and Youth
Chapter 10. Programs, Boards, and Councils: Operation and Administration
135:10-29-1. Origin, Authority, and Purpose [NEW]
135:10-29-2. Licensure and Training [NEW]
135:10-29-3. Duties and Responsibilities [NEW]
135:10-29-4. Standards for Medical Examinations and Evaluations [NEW]

Summary: The proposed rules were drafted to bring the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth into compliance with 10 O.S. § 601.31. The proposed rules provide clarity and correctly reference provisions of law.

2. A brief description of the classes of persons who most likely will be affected by the proposed rule:

The public, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth, Board of Child Abuse Examination, physicians, physician assistants, and registered nurses as child abuse examiners, and children suspected to be victims of child abuse or neglect.

3. A brief description of classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rule:

The public, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth, Board of Child Abuse Examination, physicians, physician assistants, and registered nurses as child abuse examiners, and children suspected to be victims of child abuse or neglect.

4. A brief description of the probable economic impact of the proposed rule upon the affected classes of persons or political subdivisions, including a listing of all fee changes and, whenever possible, a separate justification for each fee change:

The proposed rules should not have an economic impact on any affected classes.

5. The probable costs and benefits to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the state proposed rule, the source of revenue to be used for implementation and enforcement of the proposed rule, and any anticipated effect on state revenues, including a projected net loss or gain in such revenues, if it can be projected by the agency.

The cost of implementation and enforcement of the proposed rules are minimal. OCCY will utilize existing state funds and seek public/private partnerships to support implementation costs of proposed rules.

6. A determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule will have an adverse economic effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act:

The proposed rules should not have an economic impact on any small business or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rule revisions.

7. An explanation of the measures the agency has taken to minimize compliance costs and a determination of whether there are less costly or non-regulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule:

OCCY provides the 20-hour initial child abuse examiner training to medical providers at no cost to the provider. OCCY provides two trainings per year regarding child maltreatment, to fulfill the required 8 hours of continuing education at nominal cost to the child abuse examiner.

8. A determination of the effect of the proposed rule on the public health, safety and environment and, if the proposed rule is designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety and environment, an explanation of the nature of the risk and to what extent the proposed rule will reduce the risk:

The proposed rules establish a statewide system to provide expert medical evaluation for children suspected to be the victims of child abuse or neglect. There is an impact on the health and safety of children if the rules are not passed because the quality of the child abuse examiner is not assured.

9. A determination of any detrimental effect on the public health, safety and environment if the proposed rule is not implemented:

If the proposed rules do not pass, there will be a conflict with state law, which may have an effect on agency business. There is an impact on the health and safety of children if the rules are not passed because the quality of the child abuse examiner is not assured.

10. The date the rule impact statement was prepared and if modified, the date modified:

Prepared on January 7, 2022.