

## Oklahoma Health Care Authority

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) values your feedback and input. It is very important that you provide your comments regarding the proposed rule change by the comment due date. Comments can be submitted on the OHCA's [Proposed Changes Blog](#).

**OHCA COMMENT DUE DATE:** January 6, 2025

The proposed policy changes are currently in effect as Emergency Rules and must be promulgated as Permanent Rules. The proposed policy was presented at the Tribal Consultation held on October 31, 2023 and to the Medical Advisory Committee on January 4, 2024. Additionally, the proposed policy will be presented at a Public Hearing scheduled for January 6, 2025 and are scheduled to be presented as Permanent Rules to the OHCA Board of Directors on January 15, 2025.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed revisions establish rules to comply with HB1071. HB1071 added health centers (FQHCs) to the list of providers that do not require ODHMSAS certification to provide those services in order to remove barriers to providing ambulatory SUD services in the primary care setting. Proposed revisions will clarify and remove outdated enrollment certification requirements for Health Centers.

### **LEGAL AUTHORITY:**

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority Act, Section 5007 (C)(2) of Title 63 of Oklahoma Statutes;  
The Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board

### **RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:**

#### **STATE OF OKLAHOMA OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

**SUBJECT:** Rule Impact Statement  
APA WF # 24-02

**A. Brief description of the purpose of the rule:**

The proposed revisions will update policy at Oklahoma Administrative Code 317:30-5-660.3 to comply with HB1071. HB1071, which was passed in 2021, directs the Agency to add health centers (FQHCs) to the list of providers that do not require ODHMSAS certification to provide those services in order to remove barriers to providing ambulatory SUD services in the primary care setting.

**B. A description of the classes of persons who most likely will be affected by the proposed rule, including classes that will bear the cost of the proposed rule, and any information on cost impacts received by the agency from any private or public entities:**

No classes of persons will be affected by this proposed rule.

- C. A description of the classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rule:

The proposed rule changes will benefit Health Center providers as they are now exempt from the provisions of the Oklahoma Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services Act.

- D. A 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:

There is no economic impact and there are no fee changes associated with the rule change for the above classes of persons or any political subdivision.

- E. The probable costs and benefits to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the 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 proposed permanent rule changes will not result in any additional costs and/or savings to the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS) nor to the OHCA.

- F. A determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule will have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rule:

The proposed rule will not have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rule.

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

The proposed rule will not have an adverse effect on small businesses as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act.

- H. 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:

The Agency has taken measures to determine that there is no less costly or non-regulatory method or less intrusive method for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule.

- I. 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 rule should have no effect on the public health, safety, and environment.

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

The Agency does not anticipate any detrimental effect on the public health, safety, or environment if the proposed rule changes are not implemented.

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

Prepared: November 21, 2024

**RULE TEXT:**

**TITLE 317. OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY  
CHAPTER 30. MEDICAL PROVIDERS-FEE FOR SERVICE**

**SUBCHAPTER 5. INDIVIDUAL PROVIDERS AND SPECIALTIES**

**PART 75. FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS**

**317:30-5-660.3. Health Center enrollment requirements for specialty behavioral health services**

~~(a)~~ For the provision of behavioral health related case management services and psychosocial rehabilitation services, Health Centers must contract as an outpatient behavioral health agency and meet the requirements found at OAC 317:30-5-241.3 and 317:30-5-241.6.

~~(b) Health Centers which provide substance use treatment services must also be certified by the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS)~~