

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 CFR § 447.205, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) is required to give public notice of any significant proposed change in methods and standards for setting payment rates for services in the SoonerCare program. The following rate changes will necessitate an amendment to the Oklahoma Medicaid State Plan. Additionally, due to the proposed rate increases to long-term care facilities, the Miller Trust eligibility amount effective July 1, 2026, will increase from \$7,535 to \$7,637 per month. The proposed changes were presented at the Tribal Consultation meeting on May 5, 2026 at 11:00 AM via teleconference and at the State Plan Amendment Rate Committee (SPARC) hearing on June 22, 2026 at 1:00 PM and will be heard at the OHCA Board meeting on June 26, 2026, at 2:00 PM.

Nursing Facility Rate Rebasing, Effective date: July 1, 2026, contingent upon CMS approval.

Regular Nursing Facilities

The OHCA will seek approval of a Medicaid State Plan amendment to increase rates and recalculate the quality of care (QOC) fee for regular nursing facilities. For the rate period beginning July 1, 2026, the QOC fee will be \$17.57 per patient day, and the base rate component will be \$160.48 per patient day. The new combined pool amount for “Direct Care” and “Other Cost” components will be \$398,014,154. The estimated budget impact for SFY2027 will be an increase in the total amount of \$15,551,321; with \$5,285,894 in state share.

Nursing Facilities Serving Patients with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

The OHCA is proposing revisions to increase rates and recalculate the QOC fee for nursing facilities serving residents with AIDS. For the rate period beginning July 1, 2026, the QOC fee will be \$17.57 per patient day, and the base rate component will be \$294.30 per patient day. The estimated budget impact for SFY2027 will be an increase in the total amount of \$17,966; with \$6,107 in state share.

Regular Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID)

The OHCA is proposing revisions to increase rates and recalculate the QOC fee for regular ICF/IIDs. For the rate period beginning July 1, 2026, the QOC fee will be \$10.65 per patient day, and the rate will be \$174.35 per patient day. The estimated budget impact for SFY2027 will be an increase in the total amount of \$147,606; with \$50,171 in state share.

Acute Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID)

The OHCA is proposing revisions to increase rates for Acute ICF/IIDs. For the rate period beginning July 1, 2026, the QOC fee will be \$13.05 per patient day, and the rate will be \$213.10 per patient day. The estimated budget impact for SFY 2027 will be an increase in the total amount of \$1,110,195; with \$377,355 in state share.

Interested persons may visit oklahoma.gov/ohca/policies-and-rules/public-notice to view a copy of the public notice(s) and visit oklahoma.gov/ohca/policies-and-rules/proposed-changes to view a copy of the proposed state plan amendment and a link to provide public comments on the proposal. Persons wishing to present their views in writing or obtain copies of the proposed state plan amendments may do so via mail by writing to: Oklahoma Health Care Authority, Policy and Program Management Unit, 4345 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, or by email at federal.authorities@okhca.org. Written comments or requests for copies of the proposed state plan amendments will be accepted by contacting OHCA as indicated. Comments submitted through the OHCA policy blog will be available for review online at oklahoma.gov/ohca/policies-and-rules

[rules/proposed-changes](#). Other written comments are available upon request at federal.authorities@okhca.org. Comments will be accepted from June 23 through July 8, 2026.