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Public notice

Notice of intent – OHA will amend the Medicaid State Plan to allow Tribal 638 Health Programs enrolled as an FQHC to use the Indian Health Service Memorandum of Understanding All-inclusive Rate as an alternative payment method.

Date: November 21, 2022

Contact: Jesse Anderson, State Plan manager

Comments due: 5 p.m. Wednesday, December 21, 2022

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) will submit a State Plan Amendment to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to allow Tribal 638 Health Programs enrolled with the Oregon Health Plan as Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) to use the Indian Health Service (IHS) Memorandum of Understanding All-Inclusive Rate for Medicaid reimbursement, rather than a clinic-specific Prospective Payment System (PPS) Rate, as an Alternative Payment Methodology.

The estimated Federal Fund portion of this increase will be \$10,335,239.

Background

As [CMS clarified in 2017](#) regarding guidance in [State Health Official \(SHO\) letter #16-002](#), “Tribal facilities and the state Medicaid agency may agree that the Tribal (FQHC) provider’s facility rate is the IHS All-Inclusive Rate (AIR) rather than the Tribal provider’s PPS rate. If the state Medicaid agency and one or more Tribal FQHCs agree to use the IHS AIR rate as the facility rate, the state agency will have to submit a state plan amendment (SPA) to designate payment for Tribal FQHC services at the IHS AIR as an Alternative Payment Methodology (APM).”

How to comment:

OHA welcomes public review and input. Please send written comments by 5 p.m. Wednesday, December 21, 2022, to jesse.anderson@dhsoha.state.or.us.