

Public notice

Request for comment – OHA proposes to amend the Medicaid State Plan to change the daily encounter limits for Indian Health Service and Tribal 638 clinics, effective January 6, 2021

Date: January 6, 2021

Contact: Jesse Anderson, State Plan manager

Comments due: 5 p.m. Monday, January 25, 2021

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) will submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to change the daily encounter limit for Indian Health Service (IHS) and Tribal 638 clinics as follows:

- Increase the daily encounter limit to up to five (5) encounters per patient per day.
- Allow clinics to bill for more than one (1) medical, dental and behavioral health encounter per patient when all take place the same day and have different diagnoses. Under the existing State Plan, clinics can bill only one of each type of service per patient per day.

This change allows IHS and Tribal 638 clinics to bill more services per patient and supports OHA's goal of eliminating health disparities in tribal communities.

How to comment:

OHA welcomes public review and input. Please send written comments by 5 p.m. Friday, January 25, 2021, to jesse.anderson@dhsoha.state.or.us (fax 503-945-5872).

OHA will consider all comments received and submit the State Plan Amendment to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).