

**TITLE 310. OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
CHAPTER 679. LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATORS**

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 7. Fees and Deposits

310:679-7-2. Schedule of fees [AMENDED]

Subchapter 10. Licensing of Long-term Care Administrators

310:679-10-2.1. General requirements for licensure [AMENDED]

310:679-10-3.1. Tier 2 (RC/AL) administrator requirements [AMENDED]

310:679-10-3.3. Tier 2 ICF/IID-16 administrator requirements [AMENDED]

310:679-10-3.5. Tier 2 Adult day care administrator requirements [AMENDED]

310:679-10-25. General provisions [AMENDED]

310:679-10-25.1. Training program requirements [NEW]

310:679-10-26. Revocation of approval for training programs [NEW]

310:679-10-30. Required internship [AMENDED]

310:679-10-36. Preceptor CEUs [AMENDED]

310:679-10-41. Internship requirements [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

The purpose for rulemaking is to amend Chapter 310:679 to provide clarification on licensing TIERS, alleviate duplicative and unclear language, and make it easier for Long-Term Care Administrators to understand and follow requirements set for each licensure type. This also reflects legislative changes for criminal history background checks 63 O.S., Section 1-1950.1. The rule proposals include:

310:679-7-2, Amendment for fee reductions.

310:679-10-2.1, Amendment to reflect legislative changes, by removing verbiage taken from an earlier version of 63 O.S., Section 1-1950.1, and replacing it with the statute citation, effective November 1, 2024.

310:679-10-3, Amendment to Tier I referencing Department approved training programs.

310:679-10-3.1, Amendment to establish a time limit to meet requirements for initial licensure and clarifying internship for RC/AL.

310:679-10-3.3, Amendment to establish a time limit to meet requirements for initial licensure and clarifying internship for Tier 2 ICF/IID and may grant waivers.

310:679-10-3.5, Amendment remove duplication regarding internship and waiver

310:679-10-25, Amendment to remove NAB Approved training program.

310:679-10-25.1, New rule for the requirements of a Department Approved training program

310:679-10-26, New Rule for the revocation process of a Department Approved training program.

310:679-10-30, Amendment to require license for internship applicant.

310:679-10-36, Amendment to clarify Preceptors being utilized for all licensing types and awarding CEUs.

310:679-10-41, Amendment to modify or reduce the number of hours required for internship for Tiers 1 & 2.

AUTHORITY:

Commissioner of Health; Title 63 O.S. § 1-104, Title 63 O.S. § 1-1949.1

COMMENT PERIOD:

November 1, 2024 through December 2, 2024. Interested persons may informally discuss the proposed rules with the contact person identified below; or may, through December 2, 2024, submit written comment to the contact person identified below, or may, at the hearing, ask to present written or oral views.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(A), the public hearing for the proposed rulemaking in this chapter shall be on December 3, 2024 at the Oklahoma State Department of Health Auditorium, 123 Robert S. Kerr Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102 from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The meeting may adjourn earlier if all attendees who signed up to comment have completed giving their comments. The alternate date and time in the event of an office closure due to inclement weather is December 5, 2024 in the Auditorium, from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Those wishing to present oral comments should be present at that time to register to speak. The hearing will close at the conclusion of those registering to speak. Interested persons may attend for the purpose of submitting data, views or concerns, orally or in writing, about the rule proposal described and summarized in this Notice. Validated parking will be provided for the parking lot located at the east corner of Broadway and Robert S. Kerr Avenue, subject to availability.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

Business entities affected by these proposed rules are requested to provide the agency with information, in dollar amounts if possible, on the increase in the level of direct costs such as fees, and indirect costs such as reporting, recordkeeping, equipment, construction, labor, professional services, revenue loss, or other costs expected to be incurred by a particular entity due to compliance with the proposed rule. Business entities may submit this information in writing through December 2, 2024, to the contact person identified below.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

The proposed rules may be obtained for review from the contact person identified below or via the agency website at www.ok.gov/health.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S., § 303(D), a rule impact statement is available through the contact person identified below or via the agency website at www.ok.gov/health.

CONTACT PERSON:

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