



OKLAHOMA

State Department of Health

Communicative Technology Request

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Civil Money Penalty (CMP) Reinvestment Application Template COVID-19 Communicative Technology Request

The following only applies to nursing homes and skilled nursing facilities.

CMS has recognized the potential hardship and difficulty visitation restrictions has placed on nursing home residents and their families. Therefore, CMS has developed an application template for requests for the use of Civil Money Penalty (CMP) Reinvestment funds to provide residents with adaptive communicative technologies.

State Agencies had to meet specific guidelines in order to offer the application. The Oklahoma State Department of Health Civil Money Penalty Program is pleased to announce we have received approval from CMS to extend the offer for nursing homes to submit applications for communicative technology devices.

The purpose of this application is to provide a template to assist you in providing the required information we will need to make a timely determination on the request for the use of funds.

Applications must provide a statement to address the following criteria.

- Devices must be able to support both virtual social and telehealth visits (e.g. the devices must connect to the internet, have appropriate installed software such as FaceTime or GoogleMeet).
- Identify any internet or WIFI issues that may be present for your area such as metered or limited service availability.
- Specify measures taken to safeguard devices from loss, theft, or misuse.
- Applications must be on the COVID-19 Communicative Technology Application Template.
- Include a quote for the expected cost of the devices and accessories, if any.

- Applicants must only include requests for funds to purchase communicative technology devices (e.g. iPads, tablets, webcams) and accessories (e.g. headphones, protective covers).
- The application should not include requests for items identified as prohibited (travel, administrative costs).

State agencies can approve applications that meet the defined CMS parameters without review by CMS. CMS anticipates that this process will reduce the amount of time needed to review and approve the use of funds for communicative technology.

The following guidance must be completed in order to be considered for funding:

- [Communicative Technology Cover Letter Instructions](#)
- [COVID-19 Communicative Technology Application Template](#)

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