



Civil Monetary Penalty Fund

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Statement on Health Equity

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The Civil Monetary Penalty Fund Program (CMP) provides services and funding to measurably improve the care and quality of life of nursing homes residents. The enabling legislation appropriates the monies of the CMP Fund for the protection of the health or property of residents of nursing facilities in compliance with federal guidance. The program seeks to address those policies and practices that present unnecessary barriers to high quality care, including inequity relative to placement within a facility and the provision resident-centered/directed care for each resident.

The CMP program will explore quality of care and resident characteristic data to discover and minimize disparities at the facility level and at the resident level. Geographical difference, corporate status, and facility size may inadvertently put the nursing home residents at a disadvantage. Likewise, a resident's color, culture, sexual orientation or identification, age, or predominant disability may unintentionally result in poorer quality of care and/or quality of life.

The CMP Program recognizes the importance of the roles that resident councils, Ombudsmen, family members, and various health professionals in nursing homes. With that in mind, the program will ask these groups for feedback about funding priority areas and in program variety. The program will also ensure that these groups are informed of new programs as they become available. The CMP program will collaborate with various community interest groups across the state to better understand and address specific concerns facing nursing home residents in Oklahoma. The program will provide training and educational opportunities to shift healthcare provider attitudes towards cultural literacy, diversity, and acceptance.

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Health Inequity

Health Inequity is based on disparities in health [or health care] that are systemic and avoidable and, therefore, considered unfair or unjust.

Health Disparities

Health Disparities are differences in health status among distinct segments of the population including differences that occur by gender, race or ethnicity, education or income, disability, or living in various geographic localities.

Social Determinants of Health

The social determinants of health are those inter-related social and economic factors that influence health.

Social determinants of health include, but are not limited to: socioeconomic status, discrimination, housing, physical environment, food security, child development, culture, social support, healthcare services, transportation, working conditions, and democratic participation.

The World Health Organization defines social determinants of health as “complex, integrated, and overlapping social structures and economic systems that include the social environment, physical environment, and health services; structural and societal factors that are responsible for most health inequities. Social determinants of health are shaped by the distribution of money, power and resources at global, national, and local levels, which are themselves influenced by policy choices.

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