

**TITLE 450. DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**  
**CHAPTER 17. STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS**

**RULEMAKING ACTION:**

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

**PROPOSED RULES:**

Chapter 17. Standards and Criteria for Community Mental Health Centers [AMENDED]

**SUMMARY:**

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act the proposed rule revisions to Chapter 17 are part of the Department's review of Title 450. The proposed revisions to Chapter 17 are made to add standards and criteria for Health Home services as optional services within CMHCs. Health Homes will promote enhanced integration and coordination of primary, acute, behavioral health, and long-term services and supports for persons with chronic illness. The purpose of the Health Home is to improve the health status for consumers with Serious Mental Illness or Serious Emotional Disturbance by promoting wellness and prevention and to improve access and continuity in healthcare for these consumers by supporting coordination and integration of primary care services in specialty behavioral healthcare settings. Proposed revisions also create a distinction in terminology between Licensed Behavioral Health Professionals (LBHPs) and Licensure Candidates.

**AUTHORITY:**

Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Board; 43A O.S. §§ 2-101, 3-306, 3-306.1 and 3-315; 74 O.S. §85.9G.

**COMMENT PERIOD:**

Persons wishing to submit written comments may do so from February 3, 2015, until 5:00 p.m., March 5, 2015, to the attention of Gretchen Geis, Administrative Rules Liaison. Written comments may be mailed to the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, P.O. Box 53277, Oklahoma City, OK 73152-3277, hand-delivered to the Department at 1200 N.E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Oklahoma City, OK, facsimile, at (405) 522-0637 or by email at ggeis@odmhsas.org.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

The Department will conduct a public hearing on March 9, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room A of the Department located at 1200 NE 13<sup>th</sup> ST, Oklahoma City, OK 73117.

**REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:**

ODMHSAS asks business entities affected by the proposed rules to provide written information to the Department, in dollar

amounts if possible, about the increase in the level of direct costs, indirect costs, or other costs expected to be incurred by the business entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing to Gretchen Geis, at the above address, before the close of the comment period on March 5, 2015.

**COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:**

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained from the Department's website at [www.odmhsas.org](http://www.odmhsas.org) or from Gretchen Geis, Administrative Rules Liaison, at the above address or email at [ggeis@odmhsas.org](mailto:ggeis@odmhsas.org).

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D) ODMHSAS will prepare a rule impact statement which will be available beginning February 15, 2015. Copies may be obtained from the Department's website at [www.odmhsas.org](http://www.odmhsas.org) or from Gretchen Geis, Administrative Rules Liaison, at the above address or email at [ggeis@odmhsas.org](mailto:ggeis@odmhsas.org).

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