

**TITLE 365. INSURANCE DEPARTMENT
CHAPTER 45. HEALTH CARE FOR OKLAHOMANS REGULATION**

INTENDED RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 1.	Plan Requirements [NEW]
365: 45-1-1.	Standard health benefit plan requirements [NEW]
365:45-1-2.	Standard health benefit plan disclosure requirements [NEW]
Subchapter 3.	Product Certification Requirements [NEW]
365:45-3-1.	Certification of insurance programs for recommendation by the Health Care for the Uninsured Board [NEW]
Subchapter 5.	Producer Education Requirements [NEW]
365:45-5-1.	Training and education requirements for producers to market Health Care for the Uninsured Board (HUB) certified products [NEW]

SUMMARY:

House Bill 2026 directs the Insurance Commissioner in collaboration with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to initiate a program to encourage enrollment of individuals not covered by insurance or Medicaid in health insurance programs. This program includes the creation of a Health Care for the Uninsured Board (“HUB”). The laws enacted in House Bill 2026 direct the affected agencies to establish a system of certification for insurance programs offered to be recommended by the HUB and to provide training and education requirements for producers to market HUB-certified products.

AUTHORITY:

Insurance Commissioner, 36 O.S. §§307.1, and 4601 through 4603.

COMMENT PERIOD:

Written or oral comments regarding the proposed rule amendment shall be received on or before February 16, 2010. Comments shall be directed to Melanie Pouncey, Staff Attorney, Oklahoma Insurance Department, P.O. Box 53408, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73152-3408.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing regarding the proposed rule amendment will be held February 25, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. at the Oklahoma Insurance Department, 2401 N.W. 23rd Street, Suite 28, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73107.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

Business entities are requested to provide any increase in costs expected to be incurred due to compliance with the proposed rules. The comments shall be submitted to Melanie Pouncey, Staff Attorney, Oklahoma Insurance Department, at the mailing address above on or before February 16, 2010.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of the proposed rule amendments may be inspected at the Oklahoma Insurance Department at the physical address listed above. Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. through 5:00

p.m., Monday through Friday. Additional copies of the rules may also be obtained at the Oklahoma Insurance Department.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

A rule impact statement will be prepared prior to January 15, 2010, in accordance with 75 O.S. § 303(D). A copy of the statement may be obtained at the physical address above.

CONTACT PERSON:

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