

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2045

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety; amending  
8 63 O.S. 2001, Section 1-2530.9, as last amended by  
9 Section 1, Chapter 404, O.S.L. 2005 (63 O.S. Supp.  
10 2008, Section 1-2530.9), which relates to the Trauma  
11 Care Assistance Revolving Fund; expanding authorized  
12 use of funds; and providing an effective date.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2001, Section 1-2530.9, as  
14 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 404, O.S.L. 2005 (63 O.S. Supp.  
15 2008, Section 1-2530.9), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 1-2530.9 A. There is ~~hereby~~ created in the State  
17 Treasury a revolving fund for the State Department of Health to be  
18 designated the "Trauma Care Assistance Revolving Fund". The fund  
19 shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations,  
20 and shall consist of all monies received by the State Department of  
21 Health from monies apportioned thereto for purposes of this section.  
22 All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are ~~hereby~~  
23 appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Department as  
24 follows:

1           1. Ninety percent (90%) of ~~such~~ monies shall be used to  
2 reimburse recognized trauma facilities, licensed ambulance service  
3 providers, and physicians for uncompensated trauma care expenditures  
4 as documented in the statewide emergency medical services and trauma  
5 analysis system developed pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-  
6 2511 of this title. In lieu of or in combination with reimbursement  
7 for uncompensated care, monies from the fund may also be used to  
8 support readiness costs incurred by recognized trauma facilities  
9 associated with ensuring a stable trauma care system with  
10 availability of twenty-four-hour physician services for the  
11 provision of trauma care. Any monies used for the treatment of  
12 Medicaid-eligible patients that are subsequently used to establish  
13 federal matching fund requirements shall also be reimbursed to  
14 eligible trauma facilities, licensed ambulance service providers,  
15 and physicians; and

16           2. Ten percent (10%) of ~~such~~ monies shall be used by the  
17 Department in the furtherance of its powers and duties set forth in  
18 the Oklahoma Trauma Systems Improvement and Development Act and  
19 Oklahoma Emergency Response Systems Development Act and may support  
20 data collection and analysis related to emergency medical conditions  
21 such as stroke and cardiac events.

22           B. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants  
23 issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by  
24 law with the Director of State Finance for approval and payment.

1 C. The State Board of Health shall establish by rule a formula  
2 and procedure for the distribution of funds for uncompensated trauma  
3 care and/or readiness costs that shall provide for the allocation of  
4 funds to hospitals, ambulance service providers, and physicians.

5 D. Annually, monies accumulated in the fund may be transferred  
6 to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, by order of the State  
7 Commissioner of Health, to maximize Medicaid reimbursement of trauma  
8 care. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall use these funds with  
9 federal matching funds to reimburse hospitals, ambulance service  
10 providers, and physicians for trauma care provided to severely  
11 injured patients who are participants in Medicaid.

12 E. An annual report detailing the disbursements from the fund  
13 shall be provided on January 1 of each year to the Speaker of the  
14 House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate,  
15 and the Chair of each health-related committee of both the House of  
16 Representatives and the Senate.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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