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Research Analysis

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Fiscal Analysis

From the Oklahoma State Department of Health:

The OSDH does not currently conduct state re-licensure surveys as referenced in the measure. In SFY12, 13, 16 and 17, due to funding and staffing challenges, in lieu of doing both a Medicare certification survey and a state licensure survey when OSDH visited a facility, OSDH conducted only the Medicare certification survey. The Medicare surveys are more extensive, the results are public record, and certification is essential to the hospitals receiving Medicare reimbursement. OSDH is currently billing CMS for 100% of the costs of Medicare certification surveys.

Medicare certification surveys are currently conducted in compliance with time frames and priorities established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Hospitals not accredited by the Joint Commission or a similar body are surveyed for Medicare certification by OSDH about once every three years. Accredited hospitals are surveyed under Medicare by OSDH much less frequently. No federal funds are or would be available to OSDH for the broader re-licensure surveys as referenced in the measure, nor would federal funds be available for the lay caregiver information checks. Current annual hospital license fees generate about \$170,000, which is used to support administrative services provided in the OSDH hospital licensure office. OSDH would need additional license fees or state funds to support increased annual re-licensure surveys and checks of lay caregiver information.

OSDH estimates it would require 75 hours of surveyor time per facility to conduct annual state re-licensure surveys in the 155 licensed hospitals located in Oklahoma. This would entail an estimated 7.5 FTE surveyors. Including travel, equipment and administrative costs, the fiscal impact to OSDH for conducting re-licensure surveys would be \$775,000. Included in the \$775,000 impact is the anticipated expense to conduct lay caregiver information checks.

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Other Considerations

None.

