

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB 3449
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Impact:	Cost neutral

Research Analysis

HB 3449 creates the Oklahoma Community Health Worker Act, defining *community health worker* as a frontline public health professional, and establishing necessary qualifications. The measure directs the Oklahoma State Department of Health in collaboration with the Oklahoma Public Health Association to establish requirements and procedures for certifying community health worker curriculum and training programs. The Department may charge a certification fee and the certification must allow for reciprocity agreements with tribal health entities. Community health workers who receive training through a certified program may opt to obtain a voluntary certification.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB3449 allows the Department Health to charge a fee for certification but allow the Department to develop the educational curriculum

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Other Considerations

None.