

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

3 SENATE BILL 1837

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to Medicaid home- and community-based
8 services; requiring the Oklahoma Health Care
9 Authority to seek certain exemption from specified
10 federal regulation; defining term; requiring the
11 Authority to devise certain protections; providing
12 for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1018.1 of Title 56, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall submit a request to
18 the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services for an exemption from
19 the provisions of 42 C.F.R., Section 441.301(c)(1)(vi) to allow
20 providers of Medicaid home- and community-based services in rural
21 counties of this state to provide case management and develop the
22 required person-centered plan. As used in this subsection, "rural
23 counties" means counties with a population of not more than sixty
24 thousand (60,000), according to the most recent Federal Decennial
Census.

1 B. For providers exempted under subsection A of this section,
2 the Authority shall devise conflict of interest protections in
3 accordance with 42 C.F.R., Section 441.301(c)(1)(vi), including
4 separation of entity and provider functions within provider
5 entities.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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