

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated

Title 68: Revenue and Taxation

Chapter 10: Cherokee Nation Public Health and Wellness Fund Act

§ 1003. Collection of Third Party Revenue Funds for the Public Health and Wellness Fund

Cite as: 68 CNCA § 1003

A. Each year, ten percent (10%) of Third Party Revenue collected by Cherokee Nation Health Services shall be set aside for public health and behavioral health services, provided that nothing herein shall compel the expenditure of any third party revenue in a manner that violates any lawful restrictions on such funding.

B. Within ten (10) days after the end of each month during which this Act is in effect, Health Services shall prepare and submit to the Treasurer a report identifying the collection of Third Party Revenue generated through the patient visits to the Cherokee Nation Health system. Based on the reporting, the Treasurer may submit budget modifications, for approval by the Council of the Cherokee Nation, as needed to reflect the change in revenue collection.

C. Nothing contained within this Act shall prevent Cherokee Nation from acquiring other funds, including public and private funding, to use toward the betterment of public and individual health of Cherokee Nation citizens and meeting the intent of this Act.

D. All Funds collected under this section of the Act shall be designated as the "Public Health and Wellness Fund."

E. The Principal Chief shall provide to the Council at minimum on an annual basis, and by December 30 of each fiscal year, a "Public Health and Wellness Fund Act Annual Spending Framework," outlining the intended use of the Public Health and Wellness Fund based on a forecast of available revenue, and shall provide the same within 60 days of any substantial changes to said framework.

Historical Data

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