

CONNECTION FEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What is the OKSHINE Connection Fee Assistance program?

The Oklahoma Legislature passed SB 32X in 2023 to advance the ability for systems to exchange health information and create more complete patient health records. This bill enabled funding to cover the one-time connection fee for providers to connect to the Health Information Exchange through the State Designated Entity (SDE), MyHealth Access Network.

[Click here to learn more about the Oklahoma Health Care Authority and OKSHINE.](#)

Q: How do I apply?

To take advantage of this program, follow the 3 steps below.

1. Apply for MyHealth Access Network, Oklahoma's state designated health information exchange [Here](#).
2. Submit your application through the Office of the State Coordinator to receive assistance with one-time connection fee costs [Here](#). Subscription fees not included.
3. Receive approval from the Office of the State Coordinator on your participation in the Connection Fee Assistance Program.

Q: Who is eligible for this program?

Any organization that employs licensed Health Care providers in the state of Oklahoma is eligible to apply to join the MyHealth Access Network HIE and receive assistance.

Q: When should I submit my application?

To take advantage of this funding opportunity, submit your application as soon as possible. To be sure your organization receives fee assistance, apply today!

Q: Do I have to sign up for the OKSHINE Connection Fee Assistance program if I am already signed up for another OHCA program?

Yes. To receive assistance with fees relating to initial connection to the HIE, you must apply for this specific program.

Q: Which products are eligible for one-time connection fee assistance?

- Clinical Data Integration
- Single Sign-On
- MyHealth E-Notification (A CoP Compliant Solution)



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Q: Why should my organization join the MyHealth Access Network HIE?

As the state designated entity, MyHealth Access Network is improving quality care for nearly 4 million patients across the state of Oklahoma. For providers, the ability to enhance coordination of care and improve patient outcomes is a top priority.

A health information exchange network allows organizations to receive accurate and timely data, provide patients with definitive diagnosis and treatment, and avoid costly redundant tests for patients and providers. MyHealth provides the highest level of security available to protect your health information and tracks all access to your records to ensure that only authorized health professionals can see your information.

The OKSHINE Connection Fee Assistance program offers financial incentives for HIE participation to ensure patients are receiving the timely care they deserve, while accessing their complete, up to date records. To join the coalition of health care organizations across Oklahoma, submit your application to MyHealth Access Network [HERE](#).

Q: Do I have to sign up for the OKSHINE Connection Fee Assistance program if I am already an active MyHealth member?

Yes. To receive assistance with fees relating to initial connection to the HIE, you must apply for this specific program.

Please note this assistance only applies to the fees associated with getting connected to the HIE, it does not cover the on-going subscription fees.

Q: Does this program cover one-time EHR/EMR Fees?

If your EHR/EMR vendor charges additional one-time fees to connect to MyHealth, these charges may qualify for coverage by submitting the [EHR/EMR vendor expense application](#). Complete the application steps listed above to get started.

