

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR VETERAN SERVICES
PROVIDED THROUGH THE CLEVELAND COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
FY 2026-2027**

This Agreement for Interlocal Cooperation is made and entered into by and between the Cleveland County Health Department ("Department") and Cleveland County by and through its Board of County Commissioners ("BOCC").

Pursuant to 74 O.S. 1981 § 1001 et seq., the Department and BOCC find that it is to the mutual benefit of both the Department and the BOCC to enter into an Interlocal Agreement to provide staff to coordinate county services and benefits to local veterans who are citizens of Cleveland County.

WHEREAS, the BOCC and Department exists for the benefit of the citizens of Cleveland County organized and existing under the laws of the State of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Department and the BOCC to ensure access to care for veterans and their families by coordinating local veterans programs and services; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish these goals the Department has agreed to allocate funds to the BOCC in order to provide sufficient means for the BOCC to hire, train and retain an individual(s) to coordinate veteran benefits and information between the Department, the BOCC and the citizens of Cleveland County.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. This Agreement shall be effective July 1, 2026 and terminate June 30, 2027.
2. This Agreement may be renewed by agreement of the parties for successive fiscal years if mutually agreed upon by both parties.

3. Department agrees to provide the BOCC the sum of approximately \$90,000.00 for the term of this contract in order to cover the individual(s) salary and benefits. This figure may be adjusted as needed in order to reflect fluctuation of costs for employee(s) salary and/or benefits.
4. Department agrees to provide reimbursement of up to \$25,000.00 for Veteran's Portal Software.
5. Department shall provide program guidance ensuring its purpose and execution remain consistent with principles of public health.
6. Said individual(s) will be considered a full-time county employee(s) of the BOCC and subject to all rules and requirements of the BOCC.
7. Should this Agreement be renewed for additional fiscal years, the amount to be paid by the Department to the BOCC may be renegotiated.
8. It is understood that the individual(s) hired pursuant to this Agreement by the BOCC will be answerable solely to the BOCC and evaluated on his/her performance by the BOCC with input and guidance from the Department.
9. On occasion, by agreement of the parties, Department may provide BOCC with additional funds with which to make specific purchases such as vehicles or other assets to be used by staff in the performance of their duties and /or services desired herein. Said assets will be deemed to be the exclusive property of the BOCC, titled and unattached by Cleveland County and Department shall have no liability or control thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Cleveland County Health Department adopts and approves this Agreement this _____ day of _____, 2026.

CLEVELAND COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.

Administrative Director

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Board of County Commissioners of Cleveland County adopts and approves the Inter-local Agreement for Veteran Services this _____ day of _____, 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
CLEVELAND COUNTY

Chairman

Member

Member

ATTEST:

Pam Howlett
County Clerk

Deputy: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY