ORH-Colorado Verbiage for Ending Payment Plans

As of July 1, 2026 SB26-113 was signed into law and has now become Colorado Revised Statute 27-50-1001. This moves credentialing of SUD recovery residences to the Colorado Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) as a licensure beginning July 1, 2027.

Per the statute, a recovery residence that is certified pursuant to CRS 27-80-129 as of June 30, 2027 shall give notice to the BHA prior to July 1, 2027 it either holds a certification or intends to pursue a license from the BHA.

According to the statute, a certified recovery residence may operate and receive referrals and shall submit an application for licensure to the BHA no less than 60 days prior to their certification expiring. On and after July 1, 2028, a recovery residence previously certified must apply and be approved for a license from the BHA.

The BHA's contract with ORH as the certifying body will end on July 1, 2027.

Annual certification fees have always been a requirement of recovery residences applying to certify. Previously, ORH was able break out certification fees into 6 consecutive monthly invoices for those recovery residences with annual fees totaling $2,500 or greater.

Effective January 1, 2027, the 6 consecutive monthly invoicing option ends; any applications received to certify a recovery residence are invoiced the total amount.