

OB BB Timeline

2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031+
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oct 1-Rural Health Transformation fund first disbursement (States submit plans by 12/31/2025) Physician Fee Schedule 2.5% increase for CY 2026 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6-month eligibility Work Requirements (or state waiver with good faith effort) Medicaid/Medicare exemption database checks 30-day retro coverage limit 1115 Waiver neutrality changes Oct 1-immigrant emergency Medicaid Oct 1-Provider tax limit 5.5% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Death file checks For rating periods beginning after Jan 1 reductions begin for grandfathered SDPs (10 percentage points per rating period) July 1-new HCBS waiver options for non-institutional care Oct 1-expansion cost sharing Oct 1-Provider tax limit 5% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> States can no longer have waiver of work requirements Oct 1-Provider tax limit 4.5% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oct 1-improper payment error changes Oct 1-Provider tax limit 4% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oct 1, 2031- Provider tax limit 3.5% Oct 1, 2035 -end of delay for eligibility and enrollment final rule Oct 1, 2035 – end of moratorium on nursing home staffing