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RE: Policy Revisions and Program Updates – Effective Sept. 11, 2023

Dear Provider,

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority will implement policy changes promulgated through the 2023 legislative session per the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act. All policy changes will be effective Sept. 11, 2023, and will be posted on the [policy website](#). In the interim, summaries of the changes are listed below. If applicable, please forward this letter to your administrative, billing and compliance departments.

These rule changes were posted to the [OHCA Proposed Policy Changes](#) page from Feb. 1-Mar. 3, 2023, pursuant to the permanent rulemaking process.

Effective Sept. 11, 2023:

Physician Assistant Rule Revisions

The revisions ensure that policy is aligned with Oklahoma statutes. Rule changes include updating the term "supervising" physician to "delegating" physician; removing the application to practice requirements and replacing it with the practice agreement requirements; and a new timeframe of 10 business days for providers to submit any updated copy of the practice agreement due to changes. Other revisions involve limited rewriting aimed at improving readability and overall flow of policy language.

(Reference OAC 317:30-5-30, 317: 30-5-31, 317:30-5-32, and 317:30-5-33.)

Laboratory Services Policy Cleanup

The revisions combine the existing laboratory policies into one centralized location. This will allow for better access to the policies and an easier understanding of services covered under the laboratory benefit. Language will be placed into policy to clarify coverage of reference (outside) laboratories when an independent or hospital laboratory refers a service to another laboratory.

(Reference OAC 317:30-5-20, 317:30-5-20.1, 317:30-5-20.2, 317:30-5-42.10, 317:30-5-100, 317:30-5-101, 317:30-5-102, 317:30-5-103, 317: 30-5-104, 317:30-5-105, and 317:30-5-106.)



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Eliminate Certificate of Medical Necessity (CMN) Form Requirement for Most Medical Supplies, Equipment and Appliances

The revisions eliminate the requirement to include a CMN form when requesting the prior authorization (PA) for most medical supplies, equipment and appliances. Rules will state that the CMN form continues to be required for enteral and parenteral nutrition.

(Reference OAC 317:30-5-211.10, 317:30-5-211.11, and 317:30-5-211.22.)

OHCA encourages you to review each rule change in its entirety. If you have any questions regarding these rule changes, please call the OHCA provider helpline at 800-522-0114.

Thank you for the services you provide to SoonerCare members.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Traylor Rains". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "T" and a long, sweeping underline.

Traylor Rains
State Medicaid Director