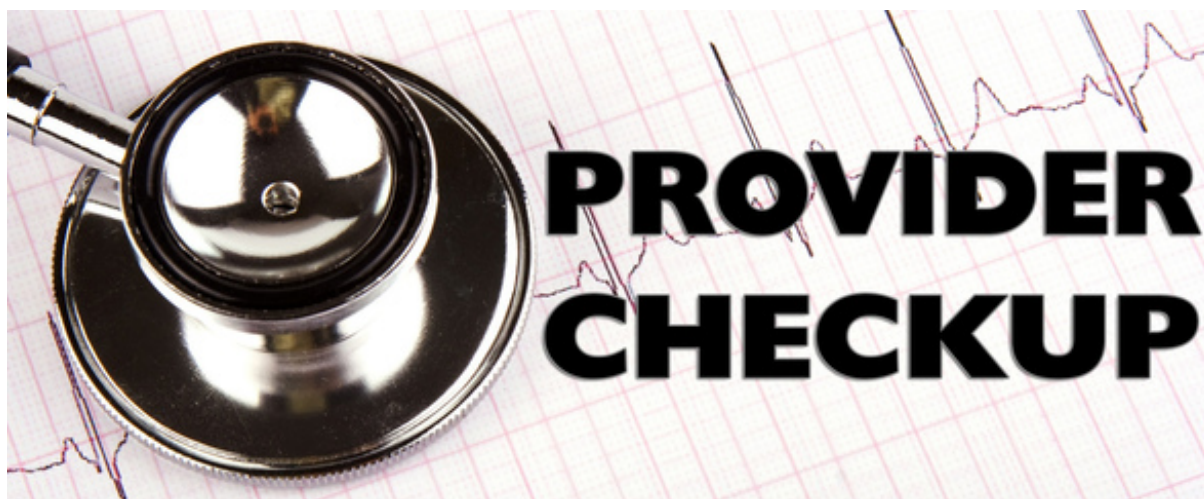




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Budget update

The OHCA Board was presented with the agency's State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2016 budget request at their October 9 meeting. In addition to the agency's base funding of approximately \$953 million in state funds, OHCA is requesting an additional \$163.6 million needed to maintain the existing program. This includes replacement of lost federal dollars, four percent program growth, a federal mandate for an in-house administrative law judge and replacement of one-time carryover funds—representing the top four budget priorities for the agency.



The Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) used to determine the amount of federal matching funds for state Medicaid expenditures will continue its downward trend for Oklahoma by decreasing in SFY2016. The rate will decrease from 62.30 percent to 61.25 percent and create a need for \$39 million in additional state funds. This follows a reduction of 1.72 percentage points in SFY 2015. FMAP is the federal funding formula based on a state's per capita income relative to that of other states using a three-year rolling average.

The request also includes \$14.1 million additional state dollars to cover children who qualify for SoonerCare through the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). CHIP provides an increased match rate of 72.88 percent for services provided to children from 133 percent to 185 percent of the Federal Poverty Level, and is currently before Congress for possible reauthorization. If the program is not reauthorized, these children will remain in the SoonerCare program, but will receive the regular match of 61.25 percent. However, if CHIP is reauthorized through Federal Fiscal Year 2019, the match rate will increase to 96 percent and the OHCA's request for additional state funds will decrease by \$42 million.

A projected growth rate of four percent in the SoonerCare (Oklahoma Medicaid) program would require an additional \$45 million. One-time carryover funding of \$61 million makes up a large part of the agency's current SFY15 budget, and must be replaced in SFY16.

In addition to maintenance of the existing program, OHCA is asking for almost \$102 million to restore

provider rates to pre-SFY 2010 levels. The agency cut rates for most provider groups by 3.25 percent in SFY 2010 and an additional 7.75 percent on July 1.

The agency is also asking for an additional \$7.6 million to increase Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) funding to the maximum allowable level. Federal law requires state Medicaid programs make DSH payments to qualifying hospitals that serve a large number of Medicaid and uninsured individuals.

The remaining budget request items total approximately \$1.5 million and include advanced genetic testing for developmental delays, contract expenditures, software and removal of monthly limits for certain medications. The request includes a total of 11 priorities totaling an additional \$275 million in state funds.

SoonerCare providers: Does your contract include Insure Oklahoma?



Thousands of low-income adult Oklahomans have enrolled in Insure Oklahoma (IO) to help meet their health insurance needs.

If your practice includes adults ages 19-64, but your SoonerCare contract does not include IO, consider enrolling as a provider through a simple contract addendum. IO billing practices are the same as

SoonerCare (except dental claims), so providing services through IO will be familiar. Call Provider Services at 800-522-0114, option 5, for more information.

IO members pay low health insurance premiums and copays for covered services. To enroll in an individual plan, members must earn at or below 100 percent of FPL and meet additional qualifications.

If you serve low-income, uninsured adult patients who do not qualify for SoonerCare, Medicare or employer-sponsored health plans, encourage them to call **888-365-3742** or visit www.insureoklahoma.org to see if they may qualify for this program

New OHCA initiative helps members get SoonerFit



In Oklahoma one in three kids between the ages of 10 and 17 are overweight or obese. Oklahoma is predicted to have the highest obesity rate in the country by 2018. Obesity remains high at 32.2 percent of adults; 875,000 adults are obese in Oklahoma.*

People who are overweight or obese have a higher risk for serious health conditions, including diabetes, heart disease, stroke and some types of cancer.

OHCA wants to help in an innovative way. We want Oklahomans to be SoonerFit!

What is “SoonerFit”? It is living a life where you enjoy making healthier choices with us helping you along the way!

The SoonerFit website, www.soonerfit.org, contains information that SoonerCare members, providers and all Oklahomans can use as an aid to leading a fit and healthy lifestyle in a fun, affordable and easy way. The website includes links to local farmers’ markets that accept SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits, tobacco cessation resources, healthy recipes, low-cost gyms, cooking demos, motivational videos, exercise routines, toolkits for parents (to aid in maintaining the health of their children), Tell Us Your Story videos, contests and lots more! Please check out the website today and encourage your patients to do the same.

*Source: 2011 to 2012 National Survey of Children’s Health

Take Charge of Your Health



Pharmacy

Short-acting opioid quantity limits

Effective Nov. 1, 2014, SoonerCare will be applying a quantity limit for reimbursement on short-acting, oral opioid pain medications. The quantity limit will be phased-in over a 3-month period. The maximum quantity for which SoonerCare will reimburse is 120 units for a 30-day supply. Below is a list of dates and medications that will be affected by the new quantity limit edit.

<i>Date of Quantity Limit Implementation</i>	<i>Medications Affected</i>
<i>Phase 1 - November 2014</i>	Hydromorphone Immediate Release Products Morphine Immediate Release Products Codeine and Codeine Combination Products Oxymorphone Immediate Release Products Tapentadol Immediate Release Products
<i>Phase 2 – December 2014</i>	Oxycodone Immediate Release Products Oxycodone Combination Products
<i>Phase 3 - January 2014</i>	Hydrocodone Combination Products

Synagis® new prior authorization process

The SoonerCare prior authorization (PA) process for Synagis® has added the option for the neonatologist or other specialist to begin the PA process prior to discharge from the hospital or upon referral. The specialist can decide to follow the patient throughout the respiratory syncytial virus infection (RSV) season or defer care to the infant’s primary care provider (PCP).

The following new process will involve both providers:

1. Find form PHARM-7 on the [SoonerCare website](#).

2. Specialist prescriber completes the necessary information on the PA request form and signs it.
 - Patient information and criteria for Synagis® coverage
 - Specialist prescriber information
 - PCP prescriber information (name, address, phone and fax numbers)
3. Specialist prescriber forwards the PA form to Synagis® provider (pharmacy or clinic).
4. Synagis® provider completes the form with provider and product information (NDC for pharmacies and CPT for clinics/outpatient).
5. Synagis® provider faxes the PA request to the Pharmacy Authorization Unit (PAU).
6. The PAU will fax the decision response to all three providers (specialist prescriber, PCP prescriber, and Synagis® provider) within 24 hours of receipt.

If you have any other questions please contact the Pharmacy help desk at 800-522-0114, option 4.

Dental

Claim form changes

Effective Oct. 17, 2014, OHCA will accept the American Dental Association 2012 claim form. This

change affects all contracted dental providers.

OHCA will accept both the ADA 2006 and ADA 2012 claim forms until Dec. 17, 2014. After Jan. 1, 2015, only the ADA 2012 claim form will be accepted.

Oklahoma meets first-year Oral Health Initiative goal

In 2010, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced the Oral Health Initiative (OHI) to promote and improve the delivery of dental and oral health services in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Under the initiative, state Medicaid and CHIP programs are encouraged to



increase the number of children (ages 1-20) receiving preventive dental services such as dental sealants, prophylaxes and topical fluoride treatments by federal fiscal year (FFY) 2015. CMS is working with the states to increase service utilization for these pediatric dental patients by 10 percentage points over an established baseline. For Oklahoma, that baseline is 44 percent.

CMS recently reported that between FFY 2011 (the baseline year) and FFY 2012, Oklahoma was one of 15 states to achieve at least a two percentage point (to 46 percent) improvement on their CMS Oral Health Initiative goal, the interim yearly improvement goal. The FFY 2015 goal for Oklahoma is 54 percent.

Click [here](#) to learn more about the OHI.

For details on the SoonerCare dental benefit, please visit our [website](#).

Health Promotion & Community Relations

Oklahoma Text4Baby project is on the button



There are lots of exciting things happening with [Text4Baby](#) (T4B), a free mobile health message service for expectant and new mothers. The project, in which OHCA is a major partner, has been featured recently on both KOCO-TV news and Oklahoma News Report (ONR) on OETA-TV,



Oklahoma's statewide PBS network.

In recent months, T4B has developed partner outreach materials specific to the four states involved in the initiative's pilot project, which includes Oklahoma. In addition to the normal tearpads, promo flyers and referral cards, Oklahoma T4B partners can now order bilingual flyers that have a comprehensive program description and are great for mailings or kits for pregnant women and new moms. You may also order bench cards, which are small, laminated cards that have talking points about T4B and how to sign-up. To order these outreach materials, please click

[here.](#)

Most recently, a project at OHCA has been able to automatically send T4B opt-in messages to pregnant women upon their enrollment in SoonerCare. The initial push was a great success, breaking the T4B single-day enrollment record. OHCA is the first state Medicaid agency to implement this enrollment process.

Providers and their staff are crucial in getting their patients enrolled in T4B and helping them to better prepare for motherhood. OHCA would like to know how you're promoting T4B, so that we may share your success with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS). Contact Daryn Kirkpatrick, program manager, at daryn.kirkpatrick@okhca.org.

Policy

Policy changes requested for DHS waivers

Providers serving members with intellectual disabilities in home and community-based services waivers may be interested in rule revisions being proposed by Developmental Disabilities Services at the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (DHS).

Amendments related to the application process and administration of the statewide Request for Waiver Services list are proposed along with changes to the agency companion rules. In the application process rules, new timeliness standards based on applicant age are established, address change notification is addressed and provision is made for requesting reinstatement to the waiting list if removed.

An additional proposed rule change establishes that the Agency Companion Service is provided by an independent contractor of a provider agency and makes other corresponding revisions to the policy. The rule is proposed to ensure compliance with new federal labor regulations.

As the single state Medicaid agency, OHCA is responsible for promulgating all policy related to the SoonerCare program. From time to time, other agencies, such as DHS, may recommend changes in policy pertaining to their areas of responsibility.

DHS is responsible for the operation of four waivers serving individuals with intellectual disabilities. These are Community, Homeward Bound, In-home Supports for Children and In-home Supports for Adults.

The rule changes are open for public comment until November 20 and will be considered by the OHCA Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) that afternoon. The OHCA Board will take action on the proposed rules at the December 11 meeting.

Postponed: diabetic supply billing process changes

The transfer of diabetic supply billing processing to the Pharmacy point-of-sale method has been postponed. This change was originally due to occur on Oct. 1, 2014.

OHCA will issue a 60-day notice prior to implementing the change.

New on OKHCA.org

Here's a brief look at news and updates recently published on our [OHCA website](#). Please follow the appropriate links for more in-depth information.

[Provider Letters](#)

Date	Subject	Description
10/22/2014	2014-52	Removal of Certain Tobacco Cessation Prior Authorization and Co-Pays—Effective September 1, 2014 FINAL
10/21/2014	2014-54	RE Synagis® New AAP Guidelines and OHCA PA Process FINAL
10/16/2014	2014-42	Budget Reduction Policy Changes Final amended
9/24/2014	2014-48	Home Health Policy
9/10/2014	2014-50	Prepayment Review FINAL
9/10/2014	2014-44	Electronic Provider Communication

[Global Messages](#)

Date	Provider Type	Description
11/6/2014	PV Types: 23 – Nutritionist, 19 – Optician, 20 – Audiologist, 25 – DME/Medical Supply Dealer; SPC: 230 – Nutritionist, 190 – Opticians, 200 – Audiologist, 182 – Speech Hearing Clinic, 173 – Speech/Hearing Therapist, 189 – Audiology Group, 203 – Diagnostic Sleep Study Clinic, 250 – DME/Medical Supply Dealer, 570 – Genetic Counselor	Additional Requirement for Ordering/Referring Claims Submissions
11/3/2014	All Provider Types	Sacral Nerve Stimulators
10/30/14	All Provider Types	Sleep Study Prior Authorization (PAR) Updates
10/30/14	PV Types: 08 – Clinic, 10 – Mid-Level Practitioner, 31 – Physicians, 52 – State Employed Physicians, 09 – Advance Practice Nurse, 07 – Capitation Provider; SPC: 080 – FQHC, 081 – RHC, 084 – I.H.S./Tribal Clinic, 072 – I.H.S. Case Manager, 093 – ARNP (Certified Nurse Practitioner), 100 – Physician Assistant	REPOST/REMINDER/UPDATE Medical Home ER Utilization Study Webinar
10/24/2014	All Provider Types	UPDATED: OHCA Communications are Going Electronic

10/23/2014	All Provider Types	Reminder - OHCA Communications is Going Electric
10/16/2014	All Provider Types	Sleep Study Prior Authorization Requests
10/16/2014	ALL DENTAL PROVIDERS PV Types: 27 – Dentist, 86 – Dental Clinic, 271 – General Dentistry, 272 – Oral Surgeon, 273 – Orthodontist, 274 – Pediatric Dentist	New ADA 2012 Dental Claim Form
10/15/2014	PV Types: 31 – Physician, 52 – State Employed Physician, 09 – CRNA SPC: 094 – CRNA	Moderate Sedation Services
10/13/2014	PV Types: 08 – Clinic, 10 – Mid-Level Practitioner, 31 – Physicians, 52 – State Employed Physicians, 09 – Advance Practice Nurse, 07 – Capitation Provider SPC: 080 – FQHC, 081 – RHC, 084 – I.H.S./ Tribal Clinic, 072 – I.H.S. Case Manager, 093 – ARNP (Certified Nurse Practitioner), 100 – Physician Assistant	Medical Home ER Utilization Study Webinar
10/8/2014	All Provider Types	VFC Processing Error/ Recoupments
10/3/2014	All Provider Types	Clarification of Billing for CPT 95165 – Preparation of Allergy Antigen

9/29/2014	PV Types: 31 – Physicians SPC: 083 – Family Planning Clinic, 328 – OB/GYN	A4264 Rate Change
9/23/2014	All Provider Types	OHCA External Provider Testing Update
9/17/14	PV Types: 11, 53 SPC: 093, 100, 110, 111, 115, 117, 118, 119, 121, 534, 535, 585, 586	Clarification Regarding Reimbursement for LBHP Candidates
9/12/14	PV SPC: 250 – DMEPOS Providers, 240 - Pharmacy Types: 24 - Pharmacy	Diabetic Supply Billing Process Changes Postponed
9/5/14	28 – Lab, 29 – X-ray; SPC: 280 – Independent Lab, 281 – Mobile Lab, 290 – Freestanding X-ray Clinic, 291 – Mobile X-ray Clinic, 292 – Mammography, 341 – Radiologist, 342 – Thoracic Surgeon	TR3 Notes

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Date	Title	Description
11/6/2014	8th annual Tribal Consultation proves rewarding	Improving health care in tribal communities was the theme of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority's eighth annual tribal consultation held Oct. 21 in Tulsa.
11/4/2014	Local health leader assumes new role on the OHCA Board of Directors	On Oct. 27, Speaker of the House Jeff Hickman announced his appointment of Tanya Case, of Duncan, to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) Board of Directors.
11/3/2014	OHCA prescribing changes aim to reduce Oklahoma's RX abuse problem	OHCA is now enforcing the first step in its initiative to lower the number of short-acting opioid pain relievers reimbursed by OHCA for SoonerCare members.
10/9/2014	Oklahoma's largest insurance payers work together to address infant mortality health disparities	Oklahoma's two largest insurance payers, SoonerCare and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Oklahoma (BCBSOK) are joining forces to make a positive impact on the state's Infant Mortality Rate (IMR).

10/7/2014	Riverside dental event creates smiles, healthier futures	More than 480 students of the Riverside Indian Boarding School received dental evaluations and oral health supplies during a recent back-to-school event co-sponsored by OHCA.
10/2/2014	SoonerCare focuses on prevention	Easier access to tobacco cessation products and automatic text messaging to pregnant women are two new benefits aimed at improving the health of SoonerCare members.

MAU works for you

Have you visited the [Medical Authorization Unit \(MAU\) webpage](#) recently?

Some of the information you may want to view regarding the MAU PA process includes:

- Forms and Form Instructions
- General Information
- [MAU FAQs](#) (frequently asked questions)

We have also recently added a [tutorial on accessing and utilizing the OHCA Provider Portal](#), from the 2014 Fall Training Workshops. The PowerPoint gives detailed information on checking the prior authorization (PA) requirements for a code, submitting online PA requests, how to access our remarks (to see if there are issues with your PA request), and more.

We are continually updating information on the website. This includes some of the items which are new to the PA requirements, such as sleep studies, allergy testing, inpatient spinal surgeries, oxygen, and replacement eyeglasses.

OHCA Board sees changes

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board has recently experienced a few changes.



Senator George Miller (left) is presented with the Dr. T.J. Brickner Defender of Health Award from OHCA Board Chairman Ed McFall (right).

In August, longtime board member Senator George Miller, of Bethany, retired after 16 years of service. Former Speaker of the House Lloyd Benson first appointed Sen. Miller in 1998.

While on the OHCA Board, Sen. Miller served as chairman of the Committee on Audit and Finance, offering valuable insight, leadership and guidance to the agency. Sen. Miller is well-reputed for always working to ensure that qualified Oklahomans received the health care they needed.

At the October OHCA board meeting, Sen. Miller was presented the 2014 Dr. T.J. Brickner Defender of Health Award by board Chairman Ed McFall. The award, named after a founding OHCA board member, serves to recognize individuals committed to serving the low income, uninsured and underinsured residents of Oklahoma.

On Oct. 27, Speaker of the House Jeff Hickman made his board appointment to replace Sen. Miller

with the appointment of Tanya Case. Well-known to OHCA, most recently Case has served on the agency's Medical Advisory Committee (MAC).

Another board member, Ann Bryant of Enid, was reappointed by Gov. Mary Fallin in August to a new term that started in September and ends in 2018. Bryant was first appointed by former Gov. Brad Henry in January 2010.

Dates to remember

November 20	Medical Advisory Committee Meeting @ OHCA
December 10	Drug Utilization Review Board Meeting @ OHCA
December 11	OHCA Board Meeting @ OHCA

Resources for you

- [OHCA Quick Reference Guide](#) (PDF)
- [Provider Resources](#): Useful contact information
- [Web Alerts](#) (Register for the latest OHCA updates of your choice)
- [EVS Guide](#): Oklahoma Client Eligibility Verification System
- [ePocrates](#): Oklahoma SoonerCare drug list and Medicare Part D formularies
- [Medicaid on the Web](#): Oklahoma Medicaid Management Information System (OKMMIS)
Provider Training Manual
- [Provider Directory](#) (PDF for members in patient-centered medical homes)
- [Additional provider directories](#) (Behavioral Health, Dental, Vision, DME, etc.)

- [Online provider training](#) (Webinars, provider workshop schedules, etc.)
- [Statistics & Data](#) (access Fast Facts on providers and services)
- [Printer-friendly newsletters](#) (PDFs of provider newsletters)
- [Free OHCA publications](#): Ordering from our website

OHCA Provider Helpline: 800-522-0114

Pass it on!

OHCA works to keep providers and their staff informed about the latest happenings in SoonerCare. Be sure to check that all health care providers, administrative staff, business departments and other appropriate parties have access to this E-newsletter by forwarding it today!

Information contained within is subject to change. Be sure to check OHCA Provider Letters, Global Messages and Web Alerts at www.okhca.org for the most up-to-date information.

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