



Pharmacy Update

Pharmacy Help Desk Phone Numbers 405-522-6205 option 4 or 800-522-0114 option 4
Service Hours: Monday – Friday (8:30a – 7:00p); Saturday (9:00a – 5:00p); Sunday (11:00a – 5:00p)
Email: pharmacy@okhca.org OHCA Website: www.okhca.org

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Prior Authorization Fax Numbers

A recent “Dear Provider” letter sent to OHCA providers may have created confusion regarding the fax numbers to be used for submitting prior authorization requests. Please note that the fax numbers for submitting Pharmacy requests have not changed, but the fax numbers for submitting Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and other non-pharmacy requests have changed.

**Pharmacy PA requests should continue to be faxed to the OU College of Pharmacy at:
OKC Metro: (405) 271-4014, or Toll-Free: (800) 224-4014**

DME PA requests (including requests for extra diabetic supplies) should be faxed to OHCA at:
OKC Metro: (405) 702-9080, or Toll-Free: (866) 574-4991

Requests for Reconsideration of State Maximum Allowable Cost (SMAC) Pricing

Providers seeking a review of the reimbursement rate for a medication should contact the OHCA Pharmacy Help Desk. Please be prepared to provide the representative with specific claim and drug information, and to fax a copy of a recent invoice for the medication in question. In most cases, the review will be completed within 1 business day after receiving the invoice. Providers will be contacted with the results of the review, and will be informed of any change to the reimbursement rate.

New “Soon-To-Be-Sooners” Program Includes Pharmacy Benefit

OHCA is pleased to announce that pregnancy-related health care services have been expanded for the benefit of babies who will be born as citizens of Oklahoma and the United States. Beginning April 1, 2008, the “Soon-To-Be-Sooners” (STBS) program will be available to provide health care benefits for unborn children. SoonerCare coverage of pregnancy-related medical services will be available for pregnant women who would not otherwise qualify for SoonerCare benefits due to their citizenship status. The STBS program is federally approved.

Prenatal vitamins are covered for STBS members. Additional medically necessary prescriptions may be covered with prior authorization when the medications provide benefit to the unborn child. Please use the universal petition form (OHCA form Pharm-4) for medication prior authorization requests. These requests should include a brief description of the benefit to the unborn child in the section labeled “diagnosis/disease state.” Requests may be faxed to the OU College of Pharmacy at the number listed above. STBS members are subject to the prescription limit of six per month, with a maximum of three brand name drugs per month.

We appreciate the services you provide to Oklahomans insured by SoonerCare.