Behavioral Health Advisory Council
Virtual Meeting held through Zoom
December 14, 2022
9:30-11:00 AM
OPEN MEETING

Updates

SoonerRide
- 40 cents per mile reimbursement to those who drive their own vehicles/have a family member transport them.
  - Reimbursement is provided through a VISA debit card and can be used at members discretion.
- Other services offered include curb-to-curb, bus passes, stretcher services, etc.
- Can reimburse for out of state medical care if pre-approved and must be Medicaid compensable.
- Have utilized Lyft drivers however, it is typically the last option of provider.
- Child accompaniment is for urgent situations.
- Currently about 75,000 trips per month.
- Approx 40,000 of those trips are curb-to-curb
- Taxi services are an amendment currently being considered for the future.
- SoonerRide does not transport to the Emergency Room.
- Trip Care Benefit has been in place the past 2 years.
  - Where’s my Ride can be utilized after a driver is 15 minutes past scheduled pick-up time.

988 License Plate
- Available at DMV for purchase in person or can be ordered through OTC (Oklahoma Tax Commission) online for $35.
  - Currently working on different colors that can be ordered for plates.

Audio Only Telehealth
- Extended Public Health Emergency through April.
- A change has been made of permanently allowing individual therapy for audio only after Public Health Emergency ends for ODMHSAS.
  - Change in rule language will occur approx. Fall of 2023.
- Reimbursement rate will remain the same.

Rule Changes
• Changes will be uploaded on January 3, 2023 and will remain posted for 30 days for public comments.
  o Distribution lists are available via the ODMHSAS website for reminders to be sent out.
• Changes will be minimal to most chapters however, both chapter 21 (ADSAC) and chapter 70 (OTP) will have the most visual changes with a streamlined approach being made.

2023 Bill Requests

• Statute changes for inmates and their competency
  o Changing reasonable time definition for competency
    ▪ Ex: misdemeanor-6 months, felony- 1 year
    • A focus on inmates not being held for competency longer than their actual sentence would have been.
• Oklahoma Forensic Board
• EAP (Employee Assistance Program)
  o ODMHSAS could become a vendor to businesses seeking out implementing their own EAP.

Managed Care Implementation

• The Medical & Children’s Specialty RFPs are out for bid. The closing date on those is February 8th. Award will be made end of May 2023 with a targeted implementation date of April 1, 2024.

DOJ Investigation

• ODMHSAS is working closely with the DOJ to provide any data they made need during this time as well as information requested.

Agenda items for next meeting:

  Legislative Update
  988 Presentation
  Managed Care Update
  DOJ Investigation Update
  EAP Presentation