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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:

Behavioral Health Rules Cleanup

The revisions clarify timely completion of the placement tool for a substance use disorder (SUD) admission or extension requests and update service plan, documentation and signature requirements. Furthermore, the revisions require providers to report to OHS instances of child abuse/neglect in residential settings in accordance with state law. Revisions also include grammatical and formatting changes as needed.

(Reference OAC 317:30-5-95.4, 317:30-5-95.42, 317:30-5-95.45, 317:30-5-95.46, 317:30-5-95.47, 317:30-5-95.51, and 317:30-5-95.52.)

Crisis Intervention Rule Revisions

The revisions clarify crisis intervention services (CIS) as the provision of these services is expanding in the state. Rule changes define mobile versus on-site CIS and include other grammatical and formatting changes as needed.

(Reference OAC 317:30-5-241.4.)



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Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) Rule

The proposed revisions revise OTP rules to align with federal regulations with updates to the phase requirements. Further revisions update service plan signatures to clarify requirements according to the member's age.

(Reference OAC 317:30-5-241.7.)

Independent Clinical Psychologist Services for Adults

The revisions update policy to reflect that adults eligible for Medicaid can now access services provided by licensed clinical psychologists who bill independently and are practicing within state scope of practice. Services provided by independently contracted clinical psychologists were previously a state plan benefit only available to children.

(Reference OAC 317:30-5-275 and 317:30-5-276.)

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 long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Traylor Rains
State Medicaid Director