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# Bi-Monthly Tribal Consultation (BMTC) Meeting Agenda 11 am, July 2, 2024 Online Microsoft Teams Meeting

#### 1. Welcome

• Ashley Johnson, Tribal Relations Director

### 2. Proposed Rule, State Plan, Waiver, and Rate Amendments

- Coverage of Prescribed Drugs during a Drug Shortage
- Medically Fragile Waiver Program Amendment

## 3. SoonerSelect Updates and Questions

#### 4. Connection Session

- Michael Harber with American Telecom and Technology
- Dr. Kevin Khoury with Goldman Baxter Healthcare

#### 5. Collaboration Chat with Tribal Partners

- Open discussion and updates led by Ashley Johnson, Tribal Relations Director
  - o Urban Clinics
  - o IHS Facilities
  - o Tribal Health Programs
  - National Issues or Initiatives

### 6. Other Business and Project Updates

- Tribal Partnership Action Plan Johnney Johnson
- PACE State Forum Rosalyn Karl

# 7. Announcements

• Next Tribal Consultation Scheduled for 11 am, September 3, 2024

# 8. Adjourn

#### Proposed Rule, State Plan, and Waiver Amendments

#### **POLICY UPDATES:**

To further the agency's commitment to meaningful consultation with Tribal partners, all proposed policy revisions will be provided at the start of the consultation when they are available. An I/T/U public notice advised of the below proposed rule, state plan, and waiver revisions will be issued at least 60 days prior to their submission, but no less than 14 days (limited to abnormal circumstances). The agency strives to keep Tribal partners abreast of any exigent circumstances that may arise and cause timeframes to be updated or shortened.

In addition, the agency's website houses a policy changes blog that is dedicated to Native American Consultation. This <u>blog page</u> allows for comments/questions from providers and members to be submitted to the Agency and become part of the official record. All comments received are considered during the policy making process. The policy updates that are presented during this Tribal Consultation meeting will be officially posted for I/T/U provider and member review during the consultation period. To ensure that you stay informed of proposed







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policy changes, please sign up for the <u>web alert</u> option. These alerts will be sent out to all subscribers whenever any new proposed policy changes are posted for public comment.

• Coverage of Prescribed Drugs during a Drug Shortage – The Oklahoma Health Care Authority will seek approval of a policy amendment to address special circumstances arising from drug shortages to mitigate the effects of shortages and to ensure continued access to medication. A shortage must be identified by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), or the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) for non-covered outpatient drugs to be covered when medically necessary during a drug shortage. This includes imported drugs authorized for temporary import by the FDA. Reimbursement for drugs covered during a drug shortage will be according to existing payment methodology for covered outpatient drugs and will be subject to the same requirements and limitations, such as prior authorization.

<u>Anticipated Tribal Impact:</u> Indirect-Provider; Indirect-Member <u>Proposed State Plan Amendment Timeline:</u>

60-day Tribal Consultation Period: June 21 – August 20, 2024

Public Comment Period: June 21 – July 21, 2024

SPA Effective Date: August 1, 2024; contingent upon CMS Approval

 Medically Fragile Waiver Program Amendment — The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) is seeking to amend the 1915(c) HCBS Medically Fragile Waiver. In this amendment, the Oklahoma Healthcare Authority will shift the responsibility of conducting the waiver operational and administrative functions. Oklahoma Human Services (OHS) will become the waiver operational entity effective October 1, 2024, or upon CMS approval. Finally, administrative rules will be amended to reflect the new operating agency.

<u>Anticipated Tribal Impact:</u> None **Proposed Timeline:** 

30-day Tribal Consultation Period: July 2 - August 1, 2024

Public Comment Period: July 2 - August 1, 2024

Proposed Effective Date: October 1, 2024



