SOONERCARE BENEFITS

Medicaid was created as Title XIX of the Social Security Act in 1965. It is a federal and state partnership program that makes access to basic health and long-term care services available to those who qualify based upon income and/or other eligibility criteria.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) oversees the Medicaid program at the federal level. CMS is within the Department of Health and Human Services.

SoonerCare is Oklahoma's Medicaid program, and the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) is the state agency that administers it.

Benefits

The health care needs of Oklahomans can be many and complex. SoonerCare offers various health benefit packages to accommodate our members in the most fiscally responsible way. Limits are in place to ensure that we provide only the services that are medically-necessary and, in some cases, particular benefits are for children only.

There is no cost for those who qualify for SoonerCare; however, copays may apply to some services for adults.

See a comparison chart of SoonerCare benefits at okhca.org/benefits.



Medicaid looks different in each state, and the OHCA works to ensure that SoonerCare meets the specific health care needs of Oklahomans.



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BENEFITS COMPARISON CHART

Mandatory services are required under federal law, and CMS monitors our activity and compliance. SoonerCare also offers several critical but optional benefits to help members maintain or increase their health status and quality of life. Waivers give states flexibility to offer these optional services. To learn more, please visit okhca.org/plans-waivers.

Mandatory

- · Inpatient hospital services
- Outpatient hospital services
- EPSDT: Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment Services
- Nursing facility services
- Home health services
- Physician services
- Rural health clinic services
- Federally qualified health center services
- Laboratory and X-ray services
- Family planning services
- Nurse midwife services
- · Certified pediatric and family nurse practitioner services
- Freestanding birth center services (when licensed or otherwise recognized by the state)
- Transportation to medical care
- Tobacco cessation counseling for pregnant women

Optional

- Prescription drugs
- Clinic services
- Physical therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Speech, hearing and language disorder services
- Respiratory care services
- · Other diagnostic, screening, preventive and rehabilitative services
- Podiatry services
- Optometry services
- Dental services
- Dentures
- Prosthetics
- Eyeglasses
- Chiropractic services[^]
- Other practitioner services
- Private duty nursing services
- Personal care
- Hospice
- Case management
- Services for individuals aged 65 or older in an institution for mental disease (IMD)
- · Services in an intermediate care facility for the intellectually disabled
- State plan home and community-based services (HBCS) - 1915(i)*
- Self-directed personal assistance services -
- Community First Choice option 1915(k)[^]
- Tuberculosis-related services
- · Inpatient psychiatric services for individuals under age 21
- Health Homes for enrollees with chronic conditions - Section 1945
- Other services approved by the Health and Human Service Secretary

^{*}The HBCS benefit provides medical and other supportive services as alternatives to a member entering a nursing home or hospital setting. ^ This optional service is not covered by SoonerCare.