

GOVERNOR

STATE OF OKLAHOMA OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

ITU 2011-06

July 14, 2011

RE: Reimbursement for Application of Fluoride Varnish

Dear SoonerCare Indian Health Service, Tribal and Urban Indian Providers:

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) is excited to announce that we have expanded coverage to allow the application of fluoride varnish by SoonerCare member's primary care providers. This letter is to clarify the appropriate billing for the application of fluoride varnish for member's ages 12 to 42 months during the course of a well-child visit.

The fluoride varnish should be supplied by the provider's office. OHCA recommends a 5% sodium fluoride varnish. If your office is interested in training and certification for the application of fluoride varnish, there are free, online courses for physicians who wish to be certified. Visit our website for at www.okhca.org/fluoride-varnish for more information.

Once you have completed the online course, you must print the certificate, put your SoonerCare provider number on it, and fax it to 405-530-7137 so that it can be added to your provider file. OHCA encourages ITU providers to provide these services to SoonerCare members.

Although these services are included in your encounter rate for a well-child visit, please include the appropriate CPT codes when filing claims. Including these services when filing claims allows OHCA to collect the appropriate information for reporting purposes.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Lucinda Gumm by phone at (405) 522-7248 or by email at Lucinda.Gumm@okhca.org. Thank you for your continued service to Oklahoma's SoonerCare members.

Sincerely,

Trevlyn Cross Director of Indian Health