

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. § 447.205, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) is required to give public notice of any significant proposed change in methods and standards for setting payment rates for services in the SoonerCare program. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS) is proposing a rate increase of three percent (3%) to licensed behavioral health professionals and licensure candidates in outpatient behavioral health clinics for psychotherapy services.

Oklahoma Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS) LBHP & Licensure Candidate in an Outpatient Behavioral Health Clinic Rate Increase, Effective: July 1, 2018.

Pursuant to Oklahoma HB3707, the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS) is proposing a three percent (3%) rate increase for licensed behavioral health professionals and licensure candidates for psychotherapy services provided in outpatient behavioral health clinics. The estimated budget impact for SFY2019 is \$3,826,697 total; \$1,475,957 state share.

Persons wishing to present their views in writing or obtain copies of the proposed changes may do so at the following address: Sandra Puebla, Oklahoma Health Care Authority, 4345 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73105, or by email at Sandra.Puebla@okhca.org. Copies of the proposed changes are available for public review at the OHCA by contacting Sandra Puebla by telephone 405-522-7270 or at the email address above. She will link callers with local agencies in each county where copies of the proposed changes are available for public review. Written and oral comments will be accepted during regular business hours by contacting Mrs. Puebla as indicated. Comments submitted will be available for review by the public Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM, at OHCA located at the above address. The proposed changes may also be viewed and receive written comments on the agency's website at www.okhca.org.