

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 CFR § 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 following method change will necessitate an amendment to the Oklahoma Medicaid State Plan. Additionally, due to the proposed rate increases to long-term care facilities, the Miller Trust eligibility amount effective July 1, 2022, will increase from \$5,725 to \$5,756 per month. The proposed changes were presented at the Tribal Consultation meeting on May 3, 2022, at 11:00 AM via teleconference and will be heard before the State Plan Amendment Rate Committee (SPARC) on June 21, 2022, at 2:00 PM and the OHCA Board meeting on June 22, 2022, at 2:00 PM. The SPARC and OHCA Board meetings will be held at the OHCA offices located at 4345 N. Lincoln Blvd., OKC, OK 73105 in the OHCA Board Room.

Nursing Facility Rate Rebasing, Effective date: July 1, 2022, contingent upon CMS approval

Regular Nursing Facilities

The OHCA will seek approval of a State Plan amendment to increase rates and recalculate the quality of care (QOC) fee for regular nursing facilities. For the rate period beginning July 1, 2022, the base rate component will be \$123.47 per patient day. The estimated budget impact for SFY2023 will be an increase in the total amount of \$4,131,457; with \$1,338,592 in state share from QOC fees paid by providers.

Nursing Facilities Serving Patients with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

The OHCA is proposing revisions to increase rates and recalculate the QOC fee for nursing facilities serving residents with AIDS. For the rate period beginning July 1, 2022, the base rate component will be \$226.97 per patient day. The estimated budget impact for SFY2023 will be an increase in the total amount of \$8,399; with \$2,721 in state share, paid by the facilities.

Regular Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID)

The OHCA is proposing revisions to increase rates and recalculate the QOC fee for regular ICF/IIDs. For the rate period beginning July 1, 2022, the rate will be \$135.61 per patient day. The estimated budget impact for SFY2023 will be an increase in the total amount of \$835,799; with \$270,799 in state share from the increased QOC fee, paid by providers.

Acute Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID)

The OHCA is proposing revisions to increase rates for Acute ICF/IIDs. For the rate period beginning July 1, 2022, the rate will be \$166.61 per patient day. The estimated budget impact for SFY2023 will be an increase in the total amount of \$254,810; with \$82,558 in state share from the increased QOC fee, paid by providers.

Pay-for-Performance (PFP) Revisions, Effective date: July 1, 2022, contingent upon CMS approval

The OHCA is proposing revisions to the Oklahoma Medicaid State Plan to improve nursing facility accountability by requiring noncompliant facilities to forfeit PFP incentives for any quarter in which they receive a scope and severity tag deficiency of "I" or greater.

Interested persons may visit oklahoma.gov/ohca/policies-and-rules/public-notices to view a copy of the public notice(s) and visit oklahoma.gov/ohca/policies-and-rules/proposed-changes to view a copy of the proposed state plan amendment and a link to provide public comments on the proposal. Persons wishing to present their views in writing or obtain copies of the proposed state plan

amendments may do so via mail by writing to: Oklahoma Health Care Authority, Federal Authorities Unit, 4345 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, or by email at federal.authorities@okhca.org. Written comments or requests for copies of the proposed state plan amendments will be accepted by contacting OHCA as indicated. Comments submitted through the OHCA policy blog will be available for review online at oklahoma.gov/ohca/policies-and-rules/proposed-changes. Other written comments are available upon request at federal.authorities@okhca.org. Comments will be accepted from June 9 through July 9, 2022.