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RE: Licensure Changes for Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) Organizations

Dear Provider,

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) has recently revised policy addressing PACE, effective Sept. 1, 2025 (see APA WF 24-13). These revisions provide clarification on administrative expectations for PACE organizations. Further, the PACE organization licensure changes required by HB 3238 (2024) were made permanent.

The revisions allow participants to utilize assisted living while enrolled in PACE and establish the PACE organization's responsibilities in addressing housing insecurity for a potential or current participant. Beginning Sept. 1, 2025, PACE organizations must assess potential participants for housing insecurity and, if necessary, once enrolled, address housing insecurity in the participant's plan of care. Further, existing expectations for the involuntary disenrollment process, such as those related to notice, options counseling, communication and documentation, were promulgated in OHCA administrative rules for consistency and transparency.

PACE organizations are no longer required by statute to maintain certification as an adult daycare or home health organization when providing services exclusively to PACE participants. Changes to OAC 317:35-18-4 to remove the requirement that PACE organizations be licensed as an adult day care center are now permanent.

OHCA encourages all PACE organizations to review the amended administrative rules. Questions may be directed to the OHCA PACE team at PACEInquiry@okhca.org.

Thank you for your continued service to SoonerCare members.

Sincerely,

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