



# SoonerCare Provider Reimbursement Notice

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## Presumptive Eligibility

OHCA PRN 2013-12

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*Dear Hospital Administrators,*

This notice is to solicit feedback from hospitals to determine the level of interest for participation in the presumptive eligibility (PE) program that is allowed for hospitals under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The process used would be similar to the NODOS process and would be monitored by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) to ensure hospitals use the PE properly. Examples of tentative PE guidelines and responsibilities are listed below:

### Populations Eligible for PE

- Pre-ACA: Pregnant women, children, BCCTP
- New with ACA: Adults, parents and caretaker relatives, former foster care, family planning
- State must provide PE for pregnant women or children in order to provide PE for new populations (other than family planning)

### State Responsibilities

- State option to require attestation of citizenship or satisfactory immigration status
- State option to require attestation of state residency as condition of PE
- States may not require verification of any PE eligibility factors
- States may not impose other conditions on PE
- Notice and fair hearing rights do not apply
- States may establish standards for qualified hospitals related to the proportion of individuals determined eligible for Medicaid by the hospital who are determined eligible for Medicaid by the OHCA based on the full, formal application

### Qualified Hospital Responsibilities

- Must be a SoonerCare contracted provider
- May require only information needed to make PE determination
- Provide individual with regular application (if different from PE application) to facilitate full eligibility determination
- Must make determination consistent with OHCA policies and procedures
- May not delegate PE authority to another entity
- Notice to individual
  - PE determination
  - Length of PE period, and need to file full application
  - If denied, reason and that full, formal application may still be submitted
- Notify the OHCA of PE approvals (within 5 days)

The Oklahoma Hospital Association (OHA) has agreed to host a stakeholder meeting for OHCA to discuss Presumptive Eligibility on October 14 at 1 pm. Please let us know if you will be able to attend and, if possible, please submit your questions/comments prior to the meeting by e-mail to [ReimbComments@okhca.org](mailto:ReimbComments@okhca.org) so we will be able to address all concerns at the meeting.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact me by email at [Kelly.Taylor@okhca.org](mailto:Kelly.Taylor@okhca.org) or by phone at (405) 522-7108.

Thank you for your continued service to Oklahoma's SoonerCare members.