



EndHIV Initiative

A PROVIDER UPDATE

State of HIV in Oklahoma

Oklahoma is one of seven states identified in the 2019 HHS EndHIV Initiative and has a statistically disproportionate occurrence of HIV in rural areas.

Risk Factors

Patients with Hepatitis C, Syphilis, Substance Use Disorder and those that are sexually active are at increased risk for HIV.

Considerations

Normalize messaging and conversations regarding HIV screening.

- Proactive discussions between health care providers and patients.
- Ex: "Today we will be drawing blood for CMP, Lipid, STD, ..."
- Formulate messaging around impact on tribal community.
- Flyers in clinic, clinic closed circuit televisions, outreach messaging specific to American Indians and Alaska Natives.

Organization-wide Opt-out HIV screening policy.

- Annually- for at-risk patients.
- Include Urgent/Routine Care Clinics, Emergency Departments, Inpatient Facilities, Behavioral health, etc.
- One per lifetime- for low to no-risk patients.
- Pair with Syphilis, Hep-C, Opioid, Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) screening.

Organization wide HIV prevention or treatment to include primary care, urgent care clinics, emergency departments, inpatient facilities, behavioral health facilities, etc.

- PrEP, PEP & ART

SoonerCare Allowable Services

HIV screenings and treatment are covered services for SoonerCare members; for ITUs serving AI/ANs these services are reimbursed at the OMB rate. For more information contact the OHCA provider helpline at (800) 522-0114.

SoonerCare HIV Medication Coverage

(See citation 317:30-5-72)

Drugs for those diagnosed with AIDS, test positive for HIV and those at risk for or have been exposed to HIV are covered and excluded from the monthly prescription limit. Coverage includes:

- Anti-retroviral therapy (ART)
- Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)
- Post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)

The prescription does not require a diagnosis at the time to distinguish between treatment, PrEP, or PEP and can be prescribed by primary care providers.

Ending the HIV epidemic begins at the primary care level.

For more information about the Ending the HIV Epidemic:

A PLAN FOR AMERICA VISIT: [HTTPS://WWW.CDC.GOV/ENDHIV/INDEX.HTML](https://www.cdc.gov/EndHIV/Index.html)

Less than
7% of Oklahomans
have been tested for HIV in
the past 12 months.

Did you know that from 2015-
2017 Oklahoma American
Indians HIV cases
increased by 17%?
Source: Oklahoma HIV & Hepatitis planning
council: Oklahoma EtHE Plan

Less than
14% of Oklahomans
know their HIV status.