

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority is a strong partner in making sure all of our eligible patients are covered by Medicaid. That means revenues we can reinvest in patient care, which has helped Cherokee Nation build the largest and highest quality tribally-operated health system in the United States.

Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr., Cherokee Nation



Enrollment

Enrollment with 78 ITUs and Tribal Governments has resulted in increased access to care and services within the tribal community.

14,275

TOTAL APPROVED
APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY
ITU AGENCY VIEW PARTNERS
IN SFY 2023

The Public Health Emergency (PHE) Unwinding has a significant impact on the American Indians and Alaskan Natives in Oklahoma. I want to commend the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) for their willingness to share data with the Indian Health Services, Tribes, and Urban Indian Clinics (ITU). OHCA began sharing the list of patients identified to lose coverage at the end of the PHE to each ITU provider starting in June 2022 and has provided updated lists since that time. OHCA has made it possible for ITUs to use these lists to work with our patients to update their accounts. In many instances, helping them maintain their eligibility. Medicaid revenue is a critical component of funding for ITU's, and we are grateful for the partnership we share with OHCA. As the Tribal Chair for the CMS Tribal Technical Advisory Workgroup, I can say that for over a year that Oklahoma was only one of two states who provided PHE unwinding information to ITUs. Even now, we have only identified 9 states sharing data with Tribes.

Yvonne Myers, ACA/Medicaid Consultant for Citizen Potawatomi Nation Health Services



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Spotlight

Projects that support tribal health care programs



SoonerSelect

SoonerSelect is a health care delivery system used to coordinate health and dental care and to improve quality of care. Eligible American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) members will have the opportunity to opt in to SoonerSelect. If AI/AN members do not opt in to SoonerSelect, they will remain in their current SoonerCare program and will continue receiving services in the same way.

OHCA's Goals

- Improve health outcomes for Oklahomans.
- Move toward a system where we pay providers based on the quality of care they provide to Oklahomans rather than just by service
- Improve member satisfaction.
- Focus on preventive and primary care.



ITU Shared Savings

The I/T/U Shared Savings Program is a voluntary program that encourages the tribal partners to come together and give coordinated, high-quality care to AI/AN SoonerCare members. Participating tribal partners can use the shared savings for additional resources and services for our AI/AN SoonerCare members.

To participate in the I/T/U Shared Savings Program, reach out to the Tribal Government Relations Department to get started TribalGovernmentRelations@okhca.org



Tribal Engagement

- ◆ 72 Provider Educations
- ◆ 12 Presentations
- ◆ 21 Workgroup Meetings
- ◆ 7 Partner Support Events
- ◆ 25 Community Outreach Events
- ◆ 82 PCL Grant Meetings

219 Outreach Events

The OHCA TGR Team visited numerous tribal communities throughout the state. The goal is to connect with SoonerCare members and partners to increase awareness of the program and build collaborative partnerships.

FY 2023 Health Fairs Attended

Reaching over **3500** tribal citizens.



Tribal Consultation

- 9 Meetings Hosted
- 51 Total Items Considered
- 37 tribes and organizations represented

34 Total Items Considered with Tribal Impact

- Pending: 13
- Withdrawn: 1
- Effective: 20



Scan here to see the full Summary of Items or find online:

<https://oklahoma.gov/ohca/providers/types/tribal-government-relations/tribal-consultation.html#tcam>

SoonerCare Tribal Consultation Annual Meeting

OHCA and Southern Plains Tribal Health Board partner each year to host SoonerCare Tribal Consultation Annual Meeting which encourages open dialogue, meaningful discussions, collaboration opportunities, and to achieve common goals.

Bi-Monthly Tribal Consultation

OHCA convenes Bi-Monthly Tribal Consultation Meetings on the first Tuesday of every odd month. BMTC is a formal process to consider items including but not limited to policy, waivers, procedures, legislative mandates and budgets. The goal is to determine impact and opportunities for collaboration with tribal partners.