STATE OF OKLAHOMA OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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March 18, 2011

RE: Tribal Consultation on State Plan Amendments

Dear Tribal Representative:

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority would like to request your input regarding amendments to our State Plan. The State Plan is Oklahoma's official document that describes the nature and scope of the state's Medicaid program. It is developed by the state and approved by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, as required by Section 1902 of the Social Security Act.

Due to SoonerCare program changes and changes in federal laws, we are seeking to amend State Plan pages related to family planning services, state supplemental payments, and crisis intervention clinics. A summary of the proposed changes is attached.

We have scheduled a face-to-face tribal consultation meeting on these proposed amendments for 11 am on April 1 at OHCA offices in Shepherd Mall. You may submit written comments through May 14, 2011 or provide oral comments at the April 1, 2011 consultation meeting.

The OHCA is committed to active communication with Tribal Governments during the OHCA decision-making and priority-setting process and therefore keeps you apprised of all proposed State Plan changes. If you have any questions or comments about the proposed changes, please contact Trevlyn Cross, Director of SoonerCare Indian Health Unit. She can be reached at 405-522-7303 or via email at Trevlyn.Cross@okhca.org.

Sincerely,

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STATE PLAN AMENDMENT SUMMARIES

Family Planning-The State is currently exploring options to transition family planning members from the 1115 Wavier Program to the State Plan. This option is afforded under Public Law 111-148. Services and benefits that would be available under the state plan that are not options under the waiver include, but are not limited to, transportation to doctor's appointment related to family planning, pain medicine, and no reporting requirement.

State Supplemental Payment-The State will submit a state plan amendment related to state supplement payments due to an increase in the number of persons receiving State Supplemental Payments (SSP). This change is required to meet Federal requirements. The change will consist of reducing the maximum SSP amount by \$1.00 effective April 1, 2011. The new maximum payment will be \$41 and the new maximum income limits (which will be reflected on OKDHS Appendix C-1, Schedule VIII.A, eff. 04/01/11) will be \$715 for an individual, \$1052 for an eligible individual with an ineligible spouse, and \$1093 for an eligible couple.

Crisis Intervention-The State will submit a state plan amendment related to services, provider requirements, and reimbursement for crisis/urgent care clinic services. The intent of Crisis / Urgent care is hospital emergency room diversion or as an alternative to inpatient hospital psychiatric care.

Professional services may include:

- Medication Clinic
- Crisis intervention, on-site
- Alcohol and Drug Screening and Intervention Services -
- Triage / Crisis Response
- Crisis Clinic
- Psychiatric Diagnostic Interview
- Extended assessment and management
- Case management

Non covered services include:

- Room and Board
- Recipient Transportation