



STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

September SPARC Agenda  
December 3, 2018  
2:00 PM  
OHCA Board Room

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**Rate issues to be addressed:**

1. CPT Code 80050 Rate Alignment

## CPT CODE 80050 RATE ALIGNMENT

**1. IS THIS A RATE CHANGE OR A METHOD CHANGE?**

Rate and Method Change

**2. IS THIS CHANGE AN INCREASE, DECREASE, OR NO IMPACT?**

Decrease

**3. PRESENTATION OF ISSUE – WHY IS THIS CHANGE BEING MADE?**

This is a proposal to align the rate of CPT code 80050 (general health panel) to a rate that is equal to the combined rate total of CPT codes 80053 (comprehensive metabolic panel), 84443 (thyroid stimulating hormone), and 85025 (automated complete blood count [CBC] and white blood cell count [WBC]).

CPT code 80050 is a panel code that combines CPT codes 80053, 84443 and 85025 into a single code. The default rate for CPT 80050 was set in 1993 and has never been increased or decreased; CMS does not cover this panel code and therefore does not set a rate. The default rates for CPT codes 80053, 85025 and 84443 have gradually decreased over time, as per CMS pricing, which has resulted in the rate for the panel code to be greater than the total of the individual components combined. Generally, a lab panel code reimburses the same or less than the combined individual component rates.

**4. CURRENT METHODOLOGY AND/OR RATE STRUCTURE.**

The current rate methodology is to price 80050 at \$53.48. Which is the same rate established in 1993. The rates for the individual component codes, 80053, 84443 and 85025 are set each year by CMS.

	Default Rate	10/1/2018 Rate
80050	\$53.48	\$47.69
80053	\$12.39	\$11.04
85025	\$9.11	\$8.13
84443	\$19.71	\$17.58
Total of component pricing 80053 + 85025 + 84443	\$41.21	\$36.75

**5. NEW METHODOLOGY OR RATE STRUCTURE.**

OHCA proposes to set the rate of CPT 80050 (currently \$41.21). This amount is equal the total rates of CPT codes 80053, 84443 and 85025 combined. As CMS pricing changes for these individual component codes, the default rate set for CPT 80050 should also change to remain equal to the combined totals of the three codes. Plan is to continue to apply budget reduction pricing as per agency guidelines.

**6. BUDGET ESTIMATE.**

The estimated budget impact for the remainder of SFY2019 will be a decrease of \$150,000 total; of which \$56,430 is state share. The estimated budget impact for SFY2020 will be a decrease of \$300,000 total; of which \$104,670 is state share.

**7. AGENCY ESTIMATED IMPACT ON ACCESS TO CARE.**

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority does not anticipate an impact on access to care.

**8. RATE OR METHOD CHANGE IN THE FORM OF A MOTION.**

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority requests the State Plan Amendment Rate Committee approve the rate and method change to pricing for CPT 80050 to equal the total price of CPT codes 80053, 84443 and 85025 combined, in order to equalize payment for these services.

**9. EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGE.**

January 1, 2019