



STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

I/T/U Public Notice 2018-06

June 26, 2018

RE: Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) Proposed Rule, State Plan, and Waiver Amendments

Dear Tribal Representative:

The purpose of this letter is to give you notice of proposed changes that will be reviewed at the tribal consultation meeting held on July 11th, 2018 at 11 a.m. in the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) Board Room at the OHCA's office, located at 4345 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK. The OHCA invites you to attend this meeting, and we welcome any comments regarding the proposed changes. The agency is committed to active communication with tribal governments during the decision-making and priority-setting process and therefore keeps you apprised of all proposed changes.

Enclosed are summaries of the currently proposed rule, state plan, and waiver amendments for your review. The summaries describe the purpose of each change.

Please note that these are only proposed changes and have not yet taken effect. Before implementation, new changes must obtain budget authorization, the OHCA Board approval, and when applicable, federal approval and the governor's approval.

Additionally, the OHCA posts all proposed changes on the agency's [Policy Change Blog](#) and the [Native American Consultation Page](#). This public website is designed to give all constituents and stakeholders an opportunity to review and make comments regarding upcoming policy changes. To ensure that you stay informed of proposed policy changes, you may sign up for web alerts to be automatically notified when any new proposed policy changes are posted for comment.

The OHCA values consultation with tribal governments and will provide your representatives a reasonable amount of time to respond to this notification. If you have any questions or comments about the proposed policy changes, please use the online comment system found on the [Policy Change Blog](#) and/or the [Native American Consultation Page](#).

Sincerely,

Dana Miller
Director, Tribal Government Relations

Proposed Rule, State Plan, and Waiver Amendments

Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) — The proposed revisions are necessary to comply with the 21st Century CURES Act which requires providers of personal care and home health care services to utilize a system under which visits conducted are electronically verified. The revisions will require that the type of service performed; the individual receiving the service; the date of the service; the location of service delivery; the individual providing the service; and the time the service begins and ends be included in the verification process.

Work Requirements as a Condition of SoonerCare Eligibility — The proposed policy will establish work requirements as a condition of eligibility for applicable adults age 19 through age 50. The agency has been instructed to use the SNAP criteria and exemptions to structure this provision as a condition of eligibility for certain individuals. The state is also able to propose exemptions for additional populations, as it deems necessary to mitigate unintended negative eligibility consequences to appropriate populations. Revisions will outline work requirements, including but not limited to, activities that satisfy as work requirements, individuals who are exempt, steps to take if a member's exemption status or employment status changes, reenrollment conditions after a member loses eligibility for non-compliance, and fair hearing rights.