

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 431.408 and 447.205 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) is required to provide public notice of its intent to submit an amendment to the 1115(a) demonstration waiver to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). The OHCA currently has an approved 1115(a) waiver for the 2018-2023 demonstration period.

### **Adding the newly eligible adult group to PCMH and increasing care coordination rates for PCMH American Indian/Alaskan Native providers: July 1, 2020, contingent upon CMS approval**

With this amendment request, the OHCA seeks approval of the following modifications to the 1115(a) demonstration Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) for the current extension period that will be in effect through the end of the waiver demonstration on December 31, 2023:

The STCs will be amended to align the 1115(a) demonstration populations with the State Plan to include the adult group to:

- Improve access to high-quality, person-centered services that produce positive health outcomes for individuals who were previously under or uninsured.
- Encourage members to increase utilization of preventive, primary, urgent, and specialty care — accessing the appropriate type of care in the appropriate setting.
- Decrease reliance on emergency departments for services that would be better provided in lower levels of care settings.
- Through the use of HANs and HMP, the OHCA will help newly eligible members become more informed about their health condition and health care options, understand appropriate use of the ED, and learn best practices in self-management such that they are empowered to make better informed decisions about their care.
- Reduce the number of uninsured Oklahomans.

An additional amendment will be made to STC 40 to increase monthly patient-centered medical home (PCMH) care coordination payments to facilities operated by Indian Health Service, tribal facilities, and Urban Indian Clinics (ITUs) to \$27.25 per member per month through December 2021, \$28.50 per member per month for calendar year 2022, and \$29.81 per member per month for calendar year 2023.

The OHCA anticipates the addition of a new Medicaid Eligibility Group (MEG) for the adult group expansion within the existing budget neutrality model. The proposed increase for I/T/U care coordination payments is estimated to equal \$16.4 million annually, which is 100% federally funded.

OHCA will be holding a public hearing on this proposal as follows:

#### VIRTUAL MEETING

April 7, 2020 at 2 p.m.

Register for Zoom Meeting:

[https://okhca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_eVbm3RGkSpePIAk4oK0BpA](https://okhca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eVbm3RGkSpePIAk4oK0BpA)

Interested persons may visit [www.okhca.org/PolicyBlog](http://www.okhca.org/PolicyBlog) to view a copy of the proposed waiver, public notice, location and time of the public hearing, a link to provide public comments on the proposal, and supplemental information. Due to the current public health emergency and the associated social distancing guidelines, persons wishing to present their views in writing or obtain copies of the proposed waiver may do so via mail by writing to: Oklahoma Health Care Authority, Federal Authorities Unit, 4345 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, or by email at [federal.authorities@okhca.org](mailto:federal.authorities@okhca.org). Written comments or requests for copies of the proposed waiver will be accepted by contacting OHCA as indicated. Comments submitted will be available for review online at [www.okhca.org/PolicyBlog](http://www.okhca.org/PolicyBlog). Comments will be accepted beginning April 1, 2020, through May 1, 2020.