



SoonerCare Provider Reimbursement Notice

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Annual ESRD rate update and Payment Methodology Notice

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ESRD Providers

This letter is to update you on the annual rate update for ESRD services and to provide information related to a future change to the payment methodology used by the SoonerCare program.

OHCA will update ESRD composite rates effective July 1, 2011. However, the calculator used to update these rates is not yet available. When available, OHCA will update the rates and recycle all ESRD claims with dates of service July 1, 2011 or later.

OHCA has received numerous questions regarding the move by the Medicare program from the current composite rate payment methodology to a new ESRD prospective payment system (PPS) methodology. The SoonerCare program will continue to use the current composite rate payment system for state fiscal year 2012 claims. OHCA is planning to FULLY implement the new ESRD PPS methodology effective for claims with dates of service on or after July 1, 2012. We hope the delay in our implementation and the early notification will give both OHCA and SoonerCare provider's time to fully prepare for the change in methodologies and the opportunity to learn from any issues that may arise from Medicare's implementation of the new methodology.

If you have any questions or require additional information please phone Kelly Taylor at (405) 522-7108 or email at Kelly.Taylor@okhca.org.

Thank you for your continued service to Oklahoma's *SoonerCare* members.