

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 440.386 and Section 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 three state plan amendments (SPAs) to provide health care coverage to applicable Oklahomans. The proposed SPAs will request to add the new adult eligibility group described within Section 435.119 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations to the Oklahoma Medicaid State Plan; define the alternative benefit plan (ABP) that will be used as the service delivery mechanism for newly eligible individuals; and establish the methodology for claiming the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate for services provided to the new adult group. The proposal to add health care coverage to the new adult eligibility group through the Oklahoma State Plan was presented at a tribal consultation meeting on July 7, 2020, at the OHCA offices located at 4345 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73105 in the OHCA boardroom at 11 a.m as well as via teleconference.

The agency solicited input from Oklahoma's tribal representatives regarding the proposed changes herein in compliance with section 5006(e) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and in accordance with the Oklahoma State Plan tribal consultation policy. The agency also assures that individuals under twenty-one (21) years of age, pursuant to EPSDT federal regulations, Section 440.345 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, may receive additional services if determined medically necessary.

The agency intends to submit three SPAs to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on or before September 30, 2020, as follows:

- Modifications to covered eligibility groups under the Oklahoma Medicaid State Plan to add the new adult group ages 19-64 with incomes at or below 133% of the federal poverty level (FPL) (as per section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR 435.119) and consistent with the expanded eligibility criteria as defined by the Affordable Care Act (referred henceforth as the "adult group").
- Establish Oklahoma's ABP for individuals in the adult group.
- Establish Oklahoma's eligibility procedures for identification of the adult group for purposes of securing the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate for the adult group.

The effective date of these changes is July 1, 2021, contingent upon CMS approval.

The estimated budget impact for SFY2022 will be an increase in the total amount of \$1,339,830,140; with \$164,138,054 in state share.

Interested persons may visit www.okhca.org/PolicyBlog to view a copy of the proposed state plan amendment, public notice(s), and a link to provide public comments on the proposal. 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 state plan amendment 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. Written comments or requests for copies of the proposed state plan amendment will be accepted by contacting OHCA as indicated. Comments submitted through the OHCA policy blog will be available for review online at www.okhca.org/PolicyBlog. Other written comments are available

upon request at federal.authorities@okhca.org. Comments will be accepted July 31 through August 30, 2020.