

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 CFR § 447.205, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) is required to give public notice of any significant proposed change in methods and standards for setting payment rates for services in the SoonerCare program. The following method change will necessitate an amendment to the Oklahoma Medicaid State Plan. The proposed changes were presented at the Tribal Consultation meeting on July 7 at 11:00 AM via teleconference.

OK SPA 20-0036, SUPPORT Act Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT), Effective date: October 1, 2020, contingent upon CMS approval.

Effective October 1, 2020, the OHCA in collaboration with the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse (ODMHSAS) will seek approval of a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to establish Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) services in opioid treatment programs (OTPs) and within office-based opioid treatment (OBOT) settings. The SPA will set forth provider requirements, provider limitations, covered services, excluded services, and reimbursement methodologies for services within OTPs and OBOTs. Impacted providers by the change include but are not limited to physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses, and behavioral health providers. Reimbursement for OTP services will be established based on the established fee-for-service reimbursement methodologies currently approved under the State Plan for each individual treatment component, such as medication, behavioral health interventions, and physician services.

The estimated total budget impact for the SPA proposal in state fiscal year (SFY) 2021 is \$2,803,817; with a state share of \$838,588. The estimated total budget impact for state fiscal year (SFY) 2022 is \$3,723,890 with a state share of \$1,131,789. Together, the ODMHSAS and OHCA will meet the state share responsibility.

Interested persons may visit www.okhca.org/PolicyBlog to view a copy of the proposed state plan amendment, public notice, 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 September 25, 2020 through October 25, 2020.