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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to poor persons; amending 56 O.S. 2021, Section 4002.2, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 448, O.S.L. 2024 (56 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 4002.2), which relates to ensuring access to Medicaid Act; clarifying definition; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 56 O.S. 2021, Section 4002.2, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 448, O.S.L. 2024 (56 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 4002.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 4002.2. As used in the Ensuring Access to Medicaid Act:

1. "Adverse determination" has the same meaning as provided by Section 6475.3 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

2. "Accountable care organization" means a network of physicians, hospitals, and other health care providers that provides coordinated care to Medicaid members;

3. "Claims denial error rate" means the rate of claims denials that are overturned on appeal;

1 4. "Capitated contract" means a contract between the Oklahoma
2 Health Care Authority and a contracted entity for delivery of
3 services to Medicaid members in which the Authority pays a fixed,
4 per-member-per-month rate based on actuarial calculations;

5 5. "Children's Specialty Plan" means a health care plan that
6 covers all Medicaid services other than dental services and is
7 designed to provide care to:

- 8 a. children in foster care,
- 9 b. former foster care children up to twenty-five (25)
10 years of age,
- 11 c. juvenile-justice-involved children, ~~and~~
- 12 d. children receiving adoption assistance,
- 13 e. children involved in a Family Centered Services (FCS)
14 case through the Child Welfare Services division of
15 the Department of Human Services,
- 16 f. children in the custody of the Department of Human
17 Services and placed at home under court supervision,
- 18 g. children who are placed at home in a trial
19 reunification plan administered by the Department of
20 Human Services, and
- 21 h. Medicaid enrolled parents and guardians whose children
22 are in an FCS case, are in trial reunification, or are
23 in the custody of the Department of Human Services in
24 Foster Care or under court supervision;

1 6. "Clean claim" means a properly completed billing form with
2 Current Procedural Terminology, 4th Edition or a more recent
3 edition, the Tenth Revision of the International Classification of
4 Diseases coding or a more recent revision, or Healthcare Common
5 Procedure Coding System coding where applicable that contains
6 information specifically required in the Provider Billing and
7 Procedure Manual of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, as defined
8 in 42 C.F.R., Section 447.45(b);

9 7. "Commercial plan" means an organization or entity that
10 undertakes to provide or arrange for the delivery of health care
11 services to Medicaid members on a prepaid basis and is subject to
12 all applicable federal and state laws and regulations;

13 8. "Contracted entity" means an organization or entity that
14 enters into or will enter into a capitated contract with the
15 Oklahoma Health Care Authority for the delivery of services
16 specified in the Ensuring Access to Medicaid Act that will assume
17 financial risk, operational accountability, and statewide or
18 regional functionality as defined in the Ensuring Access to Medicaid
19 Act in managing comprehensive health outcomes of Medicaid members.
20 For purposes of the Ensuring Access to Medicaid Act, the term
21 contracted entity includes an accountable care organization, a
22 provider-led entity, a commercial plan, a dental benefit manager, or
23 any other entity as determined by the Authority;

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1 9. "Dental benefit manager" means an entity that handles claims
2 payment and prior authorizations and coordinates dental care with
3 participating providers and Medicaid members;

4 10. "Essential community provider" means:

- 5 a. a Federally Qualified Health Center,
- 6 b. a community mental health center,
- 7 c. an Indian Health Care Provider,
- 8 d. a rural health clinic,
- 9 e. a state-operated mental health hospital,
- 10 f. a long-term care hospital serving children (LTCH-C),
- 11 g. a teaching hospital owned, jointly owned, or
12 affiliated with and designated by the University
13 Hospitals Authority, University Hospitals Trust,
14 Oklahoma State University Medical Authority, or
15 Oklahoma State University Medical Trust,
- 16 h. a provider employed by or contracted with, or
17 otherwise a member of the faculty practice plan of:
 - 18 (1) a public, accredited medical school in this
19 state, or
 - 20 (2) a hospital or health care entity directly or
21 indirectly owned or operated by the University
22 Hospitals Trust or the Oklahoma State University
23 Medical Trust,

- i. a county department of health or city-county health department,
- j. a comprehensive community addiction recovery center,
- k. a hospital licensed by this state including all hospitals participating in the Supplemental Hospital Offset Payment Program,
- l. a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC),
- m. a provider employed by or contracted with a primary care residency program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education,
- n. any additional Medicaid provider as approved by the Authority if the provider either offers services that are not available from any other provider within a reasonable access standard or provides a substantial share of the total units of a particular service utilized by Medicaid members within the region during the last three (3) years, and the combined capacity of other service providers in the region is insufficient to meet the total needs of the Medicaid members,
- o. a pharmacy or pharmacist, or
- p. any provider not otherwise mentioned in this paragraph that meets the definition of "essential community provider" under 45 C.F.R., Section 156.235;

1 11. "Material change" includes, but is not limited to, any
2 change in overall business operations such as policy, process or
3 protocol which affects, or can reasonably be expected to affect,
4 more than five percent (5%) of enrollees or participating providers
5 of the contracted entity;

6 12. "Governing body" means a group of individuals appointed by
7 the contracted entity who approve policies, operations, profit/loss
8 ratios, executive employment decisions, and who have overall
9 responsibility for the operations of the contracted entity of which
10 they are appointed;

11 13. "Local Oklahoma provider organization" means any state
12 provider association, accountable care organization, Certified
13 Community Behavioral Health Clinic, Federally Qualified Health
14 Center, Native American tribe or tribal association, hospital or
15 health system, academic medical institution, currently practicing
16 licensed provider, or other local Oklahoma provider organization as
17 approved by the Authority;

18 14. "Medical necessity" has the same meaning as "medically
19 necessary" in Section 6592 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

20 15. "Participating provider" means a provider who has a
21 contract with or is employed by a contracted entity to provide
22 services to Medicaid members as authorized by the Ensuring Access to
23 Medicaid Act;

1 16. "Provider" means a health care or dental provider licensed
2 or certified in this state or a provider that meets the Authority's
3 provider enrollment criteria to contract with the Authority as a
4 SoonerCare provider;

5 17. "Provider-led entity" means an organization or entity, a
6 majority of whose governing body is composed of individuals who:

- 7 a. have experience serving Medicaid members and:
- 8 (1) are licensed in this state as physicians,
9 physician assistants, or Advanced Practice
10 Registered Nurses,
 - 11 (2) at least one board member is a licensed
12 behavioral health provider, or
 - 13 (3) are employed by:
 - 14 (a) a hospital or other medical facility
15 licensed by this state and operating in this
16 state, or
 - 17 (b) an inpatient or outpatient mental health or
18 substance abuse treatment facility or
19 program licensed or certified by this state
20 and operating in this state,
- 21 b. represent the providers or facilities described in
22 subparagraph a of this paragraph including, but not
23 limited to, individuals who are employed by a
24 statewide provider association, or

1 c. are nonclinical administrators of clinical practices
2 serving Medicaid members;

3 18. "Provider-owned entity" means an organization or entity, a
4 majority of whose ownership is held by Medicaid providers in this
5 state or is held by an entity that directly or indirectly owns or is
6 under common ownership with Medicaid providers in this state;

7 19. "Statewide" means all counties of this state including the
8 urban region; and

9 20. "Urban region" means:

10 a. all counties of this state with a county population of
11 not less than five hundred thousand (500,000)
12 according to the latest Federal Decennial Census, and

13 b. all counties that are contiguous to the counties
14 described in subparagraph a of this paragraph,
15 combined into one region.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2026.

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