

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Extraordinary Session of the 44th Legislature (1994)  
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION NO. 1002

By: Crocker of the House

and

Stipe of the Senate

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

A Concurrent Resolution relating to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority; requiring the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to include certain features in a comprehensive plan to provide health care services to certain persons; directing participation of certain public entities; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority Act provides that the Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall have the power and duty to purchase health care benefits for Medicaid recipients; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to recognize and acknowledge that any approach to a redesign of the present health care delivery system for Medicaid recipients must include consideration of certain characteristics of the current delivery system, including, but not limited to, issues related to the scope and funding of existing services, standards governing quality of care, geographic distribution of providers, behavioral health care services, continuity of existing patient/provider relationships, and concern for culturally sensitive services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE 44TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT it is the intent of the Legislature that the Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall, with the cooperation and assistance

of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center and the Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine, develop for inclusion in its comprehensive plan standards and procedures which ensure quality of care for participants.

THAT in developing rules and Requests for Proposals pursuant to the comprehensive plan, it is the intent of the Oklahoma Legislature that the Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall provide that all current providers with Medicaid provider numbers shall be allowed to participate in any and all managed care plans with which the Authority contracts, provided that such Medicaid providers shall participate under the same participation terms as other providers under the managed care plan. Provided further, that the Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall establish a mechanism for a quality of care performance review for all providers under a managed care plan, to be conducted at least annually.

THAT in considering proposals to provide health care and other related services to Medicaid recipients, it is the intent of the Oklahoma Legislature that the Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall ensure that any and all contracted managed care plans offer services that:

1. Are geographically distributed in a configuration that is commensurate with the geographic distribution of the plan's enrollees;
2. Are culturally sensitive to the participants served;
3. Allow continuity of established patient/provider relationships; and
4. Allow for flexibility in program design to address the unique needs of target populations.

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine and the Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

