

By: Monson of the Senate
and
Ross of the House

An Act relating to poor persons; amending Section 5, Chapter 336, O.S.L. 1993, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 204, O.S.L. 1995 (56 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1010.5), which relates to the Oklahoma Medicaid Healthcare Options Act; expanding requirements for contract provisions; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 5, Chapter 336, O.S.L. 1993, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 204, O.S.L. 1995 (56 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1010.5), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1010.5 As a condition of the contract with any proposed or potential participating provider pursuant to the Oklahoma Medicaid Healthcare Options Act, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall require such contract terms as are necessary, in its judgment, to ensure adequate performance by a participating provider of the provisions of each contract executed pursuant to the Oklahoma Medicaid Healthcare Options Act. Required contract provisions shall include, but are not limited to:

1. The maintenance of deposits, performance bonds, financial reserves or other financial providers which have posted other security, equal to or greater than that required by the System, with a state agency for the performance of managed care contracts if funds would be available from such security for the System upon default by the participating provider;

2. A requirement that whenever the state appropriates funds for specific purposes, including, but not limited to, increases in

reimbursement rates, a participating provider and any subcontractor shall apportion such funds pursuant to legislative directive;

3. Requirements that all records relating to contract compliance shall be available for inspection by the Authority or are submitted in accordance with rules promulgated by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board and that such records be maintained by the participating provider for five (5) years. Such records shall also be made available by a participating provider on request of the secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, or its successor agency;

~~3.~~ 4. Authorization for the Authority to directly assume the operations of a participating provider under circumstances specified in the contract. Operations of the participating provider shall be assumed only as long as it is necessary to ensure delivery of uninterrupted care to members enrolled with the participating provider and accomplish the orderly transition of those members to other providers participating in the System, or until the participating provider reorganizes or otherwise corrects the contract performance failure. The operations of a participating provider shall not be assumed unless, prior to that action, notice is delivered to the provider and an opportunity for a hearing is provided; and

~~4.~~ 5. Requirement that, if the Authority finds that the public health, safety or welfare requires emergency action, it may assume the operations of the participating provider on notice to the participating provider and pending an administrative hearing which it shall promptly institute. Notice, hearings and actions pursuant to this subsection shall be in accordance with Article II of the Administrative Procedures Act.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby

declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 1st day of March, 1999.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____ ,
1999.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives