

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1511

By: Long

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to public health and safety; amending Section 1, Chapter 236, O.S.L. 1998 (63 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 2514), which relates to claims reimbursement; modifying time periods for specified actions by certain entities with regard to claims reimbursement; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 236, O.S.L. 1998 (63 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 2514), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2514. A. The State and Education Employees Group Insurance Plan, health maintenance organizations and every medical group which contracts with a health maintenance organization shall reimburse all clean claims of an enrollee, an assignee of the enrollee, or a health care provider within ~~sixty (60)~~ thirty (30) days after receipt of such claim by such entity. As used in this section, "clean claim" means a claim that has no defect or impropriety, including a lack of any required substantiating documentation, or particular circumstance requiring special treatment that impedes prompt payment.

B. 1. If a claim or any portion of a claim is determined to have defects, improprieties, including a lack of any required substantiating documentation, or particular circumstance requiring special treatment, the enrollee, assignee of the enrollee, or health care provider shall be notified in writing within ~~forty-five (45)~~ thirty (30) days after receipt of the claim by the State and

Education Employees Group Insurance Plan, health maintenance organization or contracting medical group. The written notice shall specify what portion of the claim is causing a delay in processing and explain what additional information or corrections are needed.

2. The portion of the claim that is accurate shall be paid within ~~sixty (60)~~ thirty (30) days after receipt of the claim by the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Plan, health maintenance organization or contracting medical group.

C. Upon receipt of the additional information or corrections which led to the claim being delayed and a determination that the information is accurate, the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Plan, a health maintenance organization or medical group which contracts with a health maintenance organization shall either pay or deny the claim or portion of the claim within ~~ninety (90)~~ sixty (60) days.

D. Payment shall be considered made on:

1. The date a draft or other valid instrument which is equivalent to the amount of the payment is placed in the United States mail in a properly addressed, postpaid envelope; or

2. If not so posted, the date of delivery.

E. An overdue payment shall bear simple interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per year.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2000.

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