

An Act relating to insurance and public health and safety; amending Section 2, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 1997, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 292, O.S.L. 2000 and Section 4, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 1997, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 292, O.S.L. 2000 (63 O.S. Supp. 2000, Sections 2525.3 and 2525.5), which relate to the Oklahoma Managed Care Act; defining terms; providing for rules governing managed care plans; requiring all managed care plans and health benefit plans to establish credentialing for physicians and other health care providers based upon certain criteria; providing exceptions; providing for uniform credentialing application and contents; requiring plans to make information on physician credentialing criteria available to specified persons; requiring application and documentation; providing procedures for application process; requiring certain notification; requiring contents; requiring evaluation; specifying certain time periods for response by malpractice carriers and for credentialing of physicians and other health care providers; authorizing assessment of administrative penalties; providing for clean application; authorizing extensions limiting time period for credentialing process; restricting denial of applications in certain situations; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.