

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to public health and safety; providing evaluation and treatment services to certain persons for chronic kidney disease; requiring tracking of certain cost savings; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-560 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Any enrollee in Medicaid who is eligible for services and who has a diagnosis of diabetes or hypertension or who has a family history of kidney disease, shall be evaluated for kidney disease through routine clinical laboratory assessments of kidney function.

B. Any enrollee in Medicaid who is eligible for services and who has been diagnosed with diabetes or hypertension or who has a family history of kidney disease, and who has received a diagnosis of kidney disease shall be classified as a chronic kidney patient.

C. The diagnostic criteria which define chronic kidney disease (CKD) should be generally recognized clinical practice guidelines, which identify chronic kidney disease or its complications based on the presence of kidney damage and level of kidney function.

D. In keeping with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority disease management protocol, patients receiving Medicaid benefits who are at risk for chronic kidney disease will be tracked regarding appropriate diagnostic testing. Medicaid providers will be educated and disease management strategies implemented in order to increase

the rate of evaluation and treatment for chronic kidney disease according to accepted practice guidelines including:

1. Managing risk factors, which prolong kidney function or delay progression to kidney replacement therapy;
2. Managing risk factors for bone disease and cardiovascular disease associated with chronic kidney disease;
3. Improving nutritional status of chronic kidney disease patients; and
4. Correcting anemia associated with chronic kidney disease.

E. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall implement a system to track cost savings resulting from the requirements of this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

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