

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1382

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to the state Medicaid program;  
8 directing the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to  
9 pursue certain policies and programs; directing  
10 establishment of the Diabetes Prevention Program  
11 (DPP); imposing certain duty on contracted entities;  
12 describing DPP; providing certain powers and duties  
13 of Medicaid providers; requiring provision of  
14 services by peer coaches; describing peer coach;  
specifying certain limits on allowed coaching  
sessions; directing development of certain payment  
methodologies; requiring certain arrangement for  
unlicensed peer coach; limiting effect of act;  
authorizing certain contracts; providing certain  
exemption; providing for codification; and providing  
an effective date.

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

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5009.6A of Title 56, unless  
20 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall pursue policies and  
22 programs to assist members of the state Medicaid program in  
23 preventing or delaying the onset of type 2 diabetes.

1       B. 1. The Authority shall establish the "Diabetes Prevention  
2 Program" (DPP) within the fee-for-service and managed care delivery  
3 systems of the state Medicaid program.

4       2. Each contracted entity shall make the DPP available to  
5 enrolled members in accordance with this section.

6       3. The DPP shall be an evidence-based, lifestyle change program  
7 designed to prevent or delay the onset of type 2 diabetes among  
8 individuals with prediabetes.

9       C. A Medicaid provider may identify and recommend participation  
10 in the DPP to a member who meets the eligibility requirements of the  
11 federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Diabetes  
12 Prevention Recognition Program.

13       D. In implementing the DPP, the Authority shall require that  
14 Medicaid providers offering DPP services:

15       1. Comply with guidelines issued by the CDC and obtain CDC  
16 recognition in connection with the National Diabetes Prevention  
17 Program; and

18       2. Use a CDC-approved lifestyle change curriculum that does all  
19 of the following:

20           a. emphasizes self-monitoring, self-efficacy, and  
21                   problem-solving,  
22           b. provides for coach feedback,  
23           c. includes participant materials to support program  
24                   goals, and

- d. requires participant weigh-ins to track and achieve program goals.

E. DPP services shall be provided by peer coaches who shall promote realistic lifestyle changes, emphasize weight loss through healthy eating and physical activity, and implement the DPP curriculum. A trained peer coach may be a physician, a nonphysician practitioner, or an unlicensed person who has been trained to deliver the required curriculum content and possesses the skills, knowledge, and qualities specified in the National Diabetes Prevention Program guidelines.

F. A member who participates in the DPP shall be allowed to participate in twenty-two peer coaching sessions over a period of at least one (1) year. Thereafter, the Authority shall provide a participating member who achieves and maintains a required minimum weight loss of five percent (5%) from the first core session, in accordance with CDC standards, with less intensive, ongoing maintenance sessions to help the member continue healthy behaviors.

G. 1. The Authority shall develop payment methodologies, or adjust existing methodologies, for reimbursing DPP services and activities in the Medicaid fee-for-service delivery system, not to exceed eighty percent (80%) of the federal Medicare program reimbursement for comparable service, billing, and diagnosis codes under the federal Medicare program.

1       2. For purposes of reimbursement under the Medicaid fee-for-  
2 service delivery system, an unlicensed peer coach shall have an  
3 arrangement with a participating Medicaid provider for purposes of  
4 reimbursement for rendered DPP services.

5       H. This section shall be implemented only to the extent that  
6 the Authority obtains federal financial participation to the extent  
7 permitted by federal law, and obtains any necessary federal  
8 approvals.

9       I. For the purposes of implementing this section, the Authority  
10 may enter into exclusive or nonexclusive contracts on a bid or  
11 negotiated basis, including contracts for the purpose of obtaining  
12 subject matter expertise or other technical assistance. A contract  
13 may be statewide or on a limited geographic basis. A contract  
14 entered into or amended pursuant to this section shall be exempt  
15 from the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act.

16       SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.  
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