

July 20, 2010

**SUBJECT: Prior Authorization Effective July 21, 2010** 

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority has changed adult SoonerCare members' co-pay amounts for prescription drugs. These changes were made to better align our pharmacy co-pay requirements with federal guidelines and standards and to better serve our members.

With the new co-pay changes, adult SoonerCare members will still have no co-pay for preferred generics. For other prescriptions, the co-pay amount depends on the SoonerCare allowable payment.

Effective August 1, 2010, the co-pays are:

- \$0.65 for prescriptions costing between \$0.00 \$10.00
- \$1.20 for prescriptions costing between \$10.01 \$25.00
- \$2.40 for prescriptions costing between \$25.01 \$50.00
- \$3.50 for prescriptions costing \$50.01 or more

Please note these co-pay amounts apply only to non-pregnant adults, as children and pregnant women are exempt from prescription co-pays under SoonerCare. Native Americans are also exempt from co-pays when they receive prescriptions at facilities of the Indian Health Service, Urban Indian facilities, Tribal facilities, or when they have a contract health referral.

This notice supersedes Provider Letter 2010-24, dated April 8, 2010, which outlined the previous copay guidelines.

If you have any technical questions, please call the Pharmacy Help Desk at 1-800-522-0114, option 4, or 405-522-6205, option 4.

PA Criteria: www.okhca.org/providers/rx/pa PA forms: www.okhca.org/rx-forms