June 17, 2014

Re: SoonerCare Policy Changes

Dear SoonerCare Member,

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) Board has taken action to reduce the costs of SoonerCare. This change is necessary to comply with the Oklahoma Constitution, Article X, Section 203. This section states a state agency cannot spend more money than it receives in its annual budget.

This letter is to let you know about some of the changes to the SoonerCare program.

**Upon the approval of the OHCA Board and the Governor, beginning July 1, 2014:**

- Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and Rural Health Clinic Services (RHC) visits are limited to one visit per day per member. Including these visits, SoonerCare pays for four medical provider visits a month for SoonerCare Traditional adult members. These changes do not apply to SoonerCare Choice (PCP/Medical Home) adult members.

- For all SoonerCare members with diabetes. Insulin dependent members are allowed a maximum of 100 glucose test strips and lancets per month. Non-insulin dependent members are allowed 100 glucose test strips and lancets per 90 days. Members diagnosed with gestational diabetes may receive a maximum of 150 glucose test strips and 150 lancets per month.

- Eyeglasses for children are limited to two per year. Any more than two pair per year must be prior-authorized and medically necessary.

- Any SoonerCare applicant or current member who has other forms of primary, creditable health insurance will be ineligible for SoonerCare Choice (PCP/Medical Home). Current SoonerCare Choice (PCP/Medical Home) members will be placed in SoonerCare Traditional as will any applicant who otherwise qualifies for SoonerCare.

**Upon the approval of the Governor, beginning July 18, 2014:**

- Full mouth x-rays are only allowed once in a three-year period. Dental services will no longer be a covered service for adult pregnant women.

- If you reside in a nursing home, the nursing home will no longer be paid for hospital leave.

We hope SoonerCare is meeting your needs. For more information, please call the SoonerCare Helpline. The SoonerCare Helpline number is (800) 987-7767.

Sincerely,

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