



STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

OHCA 2011-12

March 21, 2011

Dear Carrier:

This is a follow-up to a previous letter, OHCA 2011-04, dated January 24, 2011, providing guidance on Insure Oklahoma's ability to accommodate health plans which do not match the OHCA's system processing capabilities in regard to rate schedules and billing procedures. The letter indicated that Insure Oklahoma would stop re-enrolling groups in the health plans that do not meet our system requirements by January 2012. Additionally, the letter stated that effective immediately, Insure Oklahoma would no longer approve health plans that cannot be accommodated in OHCA's system.

These changes were the result of an emergency rule, APA WF #10-33, which created new policy at OAC 317:45-3-3 and OAC 317:45-5-3. These rules were adopted by the OHCA Board on October 14, 2010, and signed by the Governor on November 15, 2010.

After careful consideration and collaboration with health carriers from around the state, the OHCA decided not to adopt the aforementioned emergency rule as a permanent rule and consequently it will expire on July 14, 2011. OHCA will pursue manual processes and procedures to accommodate those health plans that do not conform to OHCA's system requirements.

We apologize for any confusion this may have caused in your business operations, and we look forward in the future to working with each carrier to better enhance our system's abilities to improve the Insure Oklahoma program. If you have questions, please contact the Insure Oklahoma helpline at 1-888-365-3742.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Garth L. Splinter, M.D." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Garth L. Splinter, M.D.
State Medicaid Director