

**317:30-5-586.1. Prior authorization [REVOKED]**

~~(a) Prior authorization of behavioral health services and requirements to be authorized to provide case management services are mandatory. The provider must request prior authorization from the OHCA or its designated agent. In order for the services to be prior authorized, member information requested must be submitted. Member information includes but is not limited to the following:~~

- ~~(1) Complete multi-axial DSM IV diagnosis with supportive documentation and mental status examination summary; and~~
- ~~(2) Treatment history; and~~
- ~~(3) Current psychiatric social information; and~~
- ~~(4) Psychiatric history; and~~
- ~~(5) Fully developed case management service plan, with goals, objectives, and time frames for services.~~

~~(b) SoonerCare members will be considered for prior authorization after receipt of complete and appropriate information submitted by the provider. Based on diagnosis, functional assessment, history and other SoonerCare services being received, the SoonerCare member may be approved to receive case management services. SoonerCare members who reside in nursing facilities, residential behavior management services, group or foster homes, or ICF/MR's may not receive SoonerCare compensable case management services. A SoonerCare member may be approved for a time frame of one to six months. The OHCA or its designated agent will review the request in accordance with the guidelines for prior authorization in the Outpatient Behavioral Health Provider Manual. Requests will be reviewed by licensed behavioral health professionals under OAC 317:30-5-240.~~

~~(c) A prior authorization decision may be appealed by the member if filed within 20 days of receipt of the decision. Until July 1, 2006, a provider may request a reconsideration from OHCA's designated agent within five working days of receipt of the decision. The designated agent's decision regarding a reconsideration requests is final.~~

~~(d) Providers seeking prior authorization will follow OHCA's designated agent's Outpatient Behavioral Health Prior Authorization Manual guidelines for submitting requests on behalf of the SoonerCare member.~~

**317:30-5-589. Documentation of records [REVOKED]**

~~All behavioral health case management services rendered must be reflected by documentation in the records. In~~

~~addition to a complete behavioral health case management service plan documentation of each session must include, but is not limited to:~~

- ~~(1) date;~~
- ~~(2) person(s) to whom services are rendered;~~
- ~~(3) start and stop times for each service;~~
- ~~(4) original signature of the service provider (original signatures for faxed items must be added to the clinical file within 30 days);~~
- ~~(5) credentials of the service provider;~~
- ~~(6) specific service plan needs, goals and/or objectives addressed;~~
- ~~(7) specific activities performed by the behavioral health case manager on behalf of the child related to advocacy, linkage, referral, or monitoring used to address needs, goals and/or objectives;~~
- ~~(8) progress or barriers made towards goals and/or objectives;~~
- ~~(9) member (family when applicable) response to the service;~~
- ~~(10) any new service plan needs, goals, and/or objectives identified during the service; and~~
- ~~(11) member satisfaction with staff intervention.~~

### **317:30-5-595. Eligible providers**

Services are provided by outpatient behavioral health agencies established for the purpose of providing behavioral health outpatient and case management services.

(1) **Provider agency requirements.** Services are provided by outpatient behavioral health agencies contracted with OHCA that meet the requirements under OAC 317:30-5-240. The agency must demonstrate its capacity to deliver behavioral health case management services in terms of the following items:

(A) Agencies must hold current accreditation appropriate to outpatient behavioral health from JCAHO, CARF, COA, or AOA, and maintain the standards of the accreditation at all times.

(B) OHCA reserves the right to obtain a copy of any accreditation audit and/or site visit reports from the provider and/or the accreditation agency.

(C) Agencies that are eligible to contract with OHCA to provide behavioral health case management services to eligible individuals must be community based.

(D) The agency must be able to demonstrate the ability to develop and maintain appropriate patient records including but not limited to assessments, service plans, and progress notes.

(E) An agency must agree to follow the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services established behavioral health case management rules found in OAC 450:50.

(F) An agency's behavioral health case management staff must serve the target group on a 24 hour on call basis.

(G) Each site operated by a behavioral health outpatient and case management facility must have a separate provider number, per OAC 317:30-5-240.2.

(2) **Provider Qualifications.**

(A) **Service provider education and experience requirements if certified before July 1, 2001.**

For case management services to be compensable by SoonerCare, the case manager performing the service must maintain current case management certification from the ODMHSAS and have the following education and experience requirements apply:

- (i) Associate degree in a related human service field, OR;
- (ii) Two years of college education plus two years or more human service experience, OR;
- (iii) Bachelors degree in a related human service field plus one year or more human service experience, OR;
- (iv) Masters degree in a related human service field.

(B) **Service provider education and experience requirements if certified after July 1, 2001 and before July 1, 2007.**

For behavioral health case management services to be compensable by SoonerCare, the case manager performing the service must have and maintain a current behavioral health case manager certification from the ODMHSAS and have a:

- (i) Bachelors or masters degree in a mental health related field including, but not limited to psychology, social work, occupational therapy, family studies, sociology, criminal justice, school guidance and counseling; OR

(ii) A current license as a registered nurse in Oklahoma with experience in behavioral health care; OR

(iii) Certification as an alcohol and drug counselor allowed to provide substance abuse case management to those with alcohol and/or other drug dependencies or addictions as a primary or secondary DSM-IV Axis I diagnosis; and

(iv) Current case management certification from the ODMHSAS.

**(C) Service provider education and experience requirements if certified after July 1, 2007.**

For behavioral health case management services to be compensable by SoonerCare, the case manager performing the service must have and maintain a current behavioral health case manager certification from the ODMHSAS and meet either (i), (ii), or (iii) below, and (iv):

(i) Certified Behavioral Health Case Manager III meets the Licensed Behavioral Health Professional status as defined at OAC 317:30-5-240, and passes the ODMHSAS web-based Case Management Competency Exam.

(ii) Certified Behavioral Health Case Manager II—a bachelors or masters degree in a behavioral health field, earned from a regionally accredited college or university recognized by the United States Department of Education, which includes psychology, social work/sociology, occupational therapy, family studies, human resources/services counseling, human developmental psychology, gerontology, early childhood development, chemical dependency studies, school guidance/counseling/education, rehabilitative services, education and/or criminal justice; a current license as a registered nurse in Oklahoma with experience in behavioral health care; or a current certification as an alcohol and drug counselor in Oklahoma, and pass the ODMHSAS web-based Case Management Competency Exam, and complete seven hours of ODMHSAS specified CM training. (After July 1, 2010: Any bachelors or masters degree earned from a regionally accredited college or university recognized by the USDE).

- (iii) Certified Behavioral Health Case Manager I meets the requirements in either (I) or (II), and (III):
  - (I) completed 60 college credit hours; or
  - (II) has a high school diploma with 36 total months of experience working with persons who have a mental illness and/or substance abuse. Documentation of experience on file with ODMHSAS; and
  - (III) passes the ODMHSAS web-based Case Management Competency Exam, and completes 14 hours of ODMHSAS specified CM training.
- (D) **Wraparound Facilitator Case Manager** - meets the qualifications for CM II or CM III and has the following:
  - (i) Successful completion of the ODMHSAS training for wraparound facilitation within six months of employment; and
  - (ii) Participate in ongoing coaching provided by ODMHSAS and employing agency; and
  - (iii) Successfully complete wraparound credentialing process within nine months of beginning process; and
  - (iv) Direct supervision or immediate access and a minimum of one hour weekly clinical consultation with a Qualified Mental Health Professional, as required by ODMHSAS;
- (E) **Intensive Case Manager** - meets the provider qualifications of a Case Manager II or III and has the following:
  - (i) A minimum of 2 years Behavioral Health Case Management experience, crisis ~~intervention~~ diversion experience, and
  - (ii) must have attended the ODMHSAS 6 hours Intensive case management training.
- (F) All certified case managers must fulfill the continuing education requirements as outlined under OAC 450:50-5-4.

**317:30-5-596. Coverage by category**

Payment is made for behavioral health case management services as set forth in this Section.

- (1) Payment is made for services rendered to SoonerCare member's as follows:

- (A) **Description of behavioral health case management services.** Services under behavioral health case management are not comparable in

amount, duration and scope. The target group for behavioral health case management services are persons under age 21 who are in imminent risk of out-of-home placement for psychiatric or substance abuse reasons or are in out-of-home placement due to psychiatric or substance abuse reasons and chronically and/or severely mentally ill adults who are institutionalized or are at risk of institutionalization. All behavioral health case management services will be subject to medical necessity criteria.

(i) Behavioral health case management services are provided to assist eligible individuals in gaining access to needed medical, social, educational and other services essential to meeting basic human needs. The behavioral health case manager provides assessment of case management needs, development of a case management care plan, referral, linkage, monitoring and advocacy on behalf of the member to gain access to appropriate community resources. The behavioral health case manager must monitor the progress in gaining access to services and continued appropriate utilization of necessary community resources. Behavioral case management is designed to promote recovery, maintain community tenure, and to assist individuals in accessing services for themselves following the case management guidelines established by ODMHSAS. In order to be compensable, the service must be performed utilizing the Strengths Based model of case management. This model of case management assists individuals in identifying and securing the range of resources, both environmental and personal, needed to live in a normally interdependent way in the community. The focus for the helping process is on strengths, interests, abilities, knowledge and capacities of each person, not on their diagnosis, weakness or deficits. The relationship between the service member and the behavioral health case manager is characterized by mutuality, collaboration, and partnership. Assistive

activities are designed to occur primarily in the community, but may take place in the behavioral health case manager's office, if more appropriate. The community based behavioral health case management agency will coordinate with the member and family (if applicable) by phone or face-to-face, to identify immediate needs for return to home/community no more than 72 hours after notification that the member/family requests case management services. For member's discharging from a higher level of care than outpatient, the higher level of care facility is responsible for scheduling an appointment with a case management agency for transition and post discharge services. The case manager will make contact with the member and family (if applicable) for transition from the higher level of care than outpatient back to the community, within 72 hours of discharge, and then conduct a follow-up appointment/contact within seven days. The case manager will provide linkage/referral to physicians/medication services, counseling services, rehabilitation and/or support services as described in the case management service plan. Case Managers may also provide crisis diversion (unanticipated, unscheduled situation requiring supportive assistance, face-to-face or telephone, to resolve immediate problems before they become overwhelming and severely impair the individual's ability to function or maintain in the community) to assist member(s) from progression to a higher level of care. During the follow-up phase of these referrals or links, the behavioral health case manager will provide aggressive outreach if appointments or contacts are missed within two business days of the missed appointments. Community/home based case management to assess the needs for services will be scheduled as reflected in the case management service plan, but not less than one time per month. The member/parent/guardian has the right to

refuse behavioral health case management and cannot be restricted from other services because of a refusal of behavioral health case management services.

(ii) An eligible member/parent/guardian will not be restricted and will have the freedom to choose a behavioral health case management provider as well as providers of other medical care.

(iii) In order to ensure that behavioral health case management services appropriately meet the needs of the member and family and are not duplicated, behavioral health case management activities will be provided in accordance with an individualized plan of care.

(iv) The individual plan of care must include general goals and objectives pertinent to the overall recovery of the member (and family's, if applicable) needs. Progress notes must relate to the individual plan of care and describe the specific activities to be performed. The individual plan of care must be developed with participation by, as well as, reviewed and signed by the member, the parent or guardian (if the member is under 18), the behavioral health case manager, and a Licensed Behavioral Health Professional as defined in OAC 317:30-5-240(d).

(v) SoonerCare reimbursable behavioral health case management services include the following:

(I) Gathering necessary psychological, educational, medical, and social information for the purpose of individual plan of care development.

(II) Face-to-face meetings with the member and/or the parent/guardian/family member for the implementation of activities delineated in the individual plan of care.

(III) Face-to-face meetings with treatment or service providers, necessary for the implementation of activities delineated in the individual plan of care.



(IV) Supportive activities such as non face-to-face communication with the member and/or parent/guardian/family member ~~or the behavioral health case manager's travel time to and from meetings for the purpose of development or implementation of the individual plan of care.~~

(V) Non face-to-face communication with treatment or service providers necessary for the implementation of activities delineated in the individual plan of care.

(VI) Monitoring of the individual plan of care to reassess goals and objectives and assess progress and or barriers to progress.

(VII) Crisis diversion (unanticipated, unscheduled situation requiring supportive assistance, face-to-face or telephone, to resolve immediate problems before they become overwhelming and severely impair the individual's ability to function or maintain in the community) to assist member(s) from progression to a higher level of care.

(VIII) Transitioning from institutions to the community. Individuals (except individuals ages 22 to 64 who reside in an institution for mental diseases (IMD) or individuals who are inmates of public institutions) may be considered to be transitioning to the community during the last 60 consecutive days of a covered, long-term, institutional stay that is 180 consecutive days or longer in duration. For a covered, short term, institutional stay of less than 180 consecutive days, individuals may be considered to be transitioning to the community during the last 14 days before discharge. These time requirements are to distinguish case management services that are not within the scope of the institution's discharge planning activities from case

management required for transitioning individuals with complex, chronic, medical needs to the community.

(B) Levels of Case Management

(i) Basic Case Management/Resource Coordination. Resource coordination services are targeted to adults with serious and persistent mental illness and children and adolescents with mental illness or serious emotional disturbance, and their families, who need assistance in accessing, coordination, and monitoring of resources and services. Services are provided to assess an individuals strengths and meet needs in order to achieve stability in the community.

(ii) Intensive Case Management (ICM)/Wraparound Facilitation Case Management (WFCM). Intensive Case Management is targeted to adults with serious and persistent mental illness (including member's in PACT programs) and Wraparound Facilitation Case Management is targeted to children with serious mental illness and emotional disorders (including member's in a System of Care Network) who are deemed high risk and in need of more intensive CM services. It is designed to ensure access to community agencies, services, and people whose functions are to provide the support, training and assistance required for a stable, safe, and healthy community life, and decreased need for higher levels of care. To ensure that these intense needs are met, case manager caseloads are limited to 25. The ICM shall be a Certified Behavioral Health Case Manager, have a minimum of 2 years Behavioral Health Case Management experience, crisis ~~intervention~~ diversion experience, must have attended the ODMHSAS 6 hours ICM training, and 24 hour availability is required.

(C) **Excluded Services.** SoonerCare reimbursable behavioral health case management does not include the following activities:

(i) Physically escorting or transporting a member or family to scheduled appointments

or staying with the member during an appointment; or  
(ii) Managing finances; or  
(iii) Providing specific services such as shopping or paying bills; or  
(iv) Delivering bus tickets, food stamps, money, etc.; or  
(v) Counseling, rehabilitative services, psychiatric assessment, or discharge planning; or  
(vi) Filling out forms, applications, etc., on behalf of the member when the member is not present; or  
(vii) Filling out SoonerCare forms, applications, etc.;  
(viii) Mentoring or tutoring; ~~or~~  
(ix) Provision of behavioral health case management services to the same family by two separate behavioral health case management agencies; or  
(x) Non face-to-face time spent preparing the assessment document and the service plan paperwork.

(D) **Excluded Individuals.** The following SoonerCare members are not eligible for behavioral health case management services:

- (i) Children/families for whom behavioral health case management services are available through OKDHS/OJA staff without special arrangements with OKDHS, OJA, and OHCA;
- (ii) Members receiving Residential Behavior Management Services (RBMS) in a foster care or group home setting unless transitioning into the community;
- (iii) Residents of ICF/MR and nursing facilities unless transitioning into the community;
- (iv) Members receiving services under a Home and Community Based services (HCBS) waiver program.

(E) Case management services provided to Medicare eligible members should be filed directly with the fiscal agent.