



The Oklahoma Health Care Authority has expanded coverage for most SoonerCare members receiving pregnancy and postpartum services

- New Coverage and Care Levels
- Income threshold up to 205% of federal poverty level
 - \$38,460 for a household of two
 - a single pregnant woman is considered a household of two
- 12 months of continuous postpartum coverage




Full SoonerCare Benefits

- Postpartum care and care coordination
- Lactation consultation services
- Prescription drugs
- Genetic testing
- Vision and hearing services to treat disease
- Physical therapy
- Occupational therapy




Full SoonerCare Benefits (continued)

- Speech therapy
- Preventive primary care
- Increased dental benefits during and after pregnancy
- Tobacco cessation and counseling
- Behavioral health care
- Substance use disorder treatment



Doula Services – Stakeholder engagement

- Stakeholder Engagement:
 - External stakeholder meetings began in March 2022.
 - Workgroup members consisted of practicing doulas and community members interested in maternal & infant health outcomes.
 - Involved stakeholders weighed in on the program design and reimbursement.



Proposed Oklahoma Doula Services Model - Coverage

- Proposed Implementation Date: May 2023 or after
- Prenatal & Postpartum Visits
 - Up to eight (8) visits
- Labor & Delivery
 - One (1) visit
- Visit Requirements
 - 60 minutes minimum visit length
 - Must be face-to-face
 - Prenatal and postpartum visits may be conducted via telehealth
 - Labor and delivery services may not be conducted via telehealth



Proposed Oklahoma Doula Services Model - Coverage (cont.)

- The service must be recommended by a physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts within their scope of practice under State law.
- The following providers may make a recommendation for doula services:
 - Obstetricians
 - Certified Nurse Midwives and
 - Primary Care Providers
 - Physician
 - Physician Assistant
 - Certified Nurse Practitioners



Proposed Oklahoma Doula Services Model - Coverage (cont.)

- OHCA will create a form/template that may be used to meet documentation requirement for the referral.
- No Prior Authorization (PA) will be required to access the standard benefit of eight (8) prenatal / postpartum visits and one (1) labor and delivery visit.
- A PA may be submitted to request additional visits beyond the eight (8) prenatal / postpartum visits for members with extenuating medical circumstances.



Proposed Oklahoma Doula Services Model - Visit Location

- Doulas coordinate directly with the member and their family to determine the most appropriate service location for prenatal and postpartum visits. Service locations may include:
 - Member's place of residence;
 - Doula's office;
 - Physician's office;
 - Hospital; or
 - In the community.
 - There is no coverage for home births



Proposed Oklahoma Doula Services Model - Exclusions

The following are excluded from reimbursement:

- Travel time & mileage;
- Transportation provided to the member, infant, and/or family (SoonerRide available);
- Room & board;
- Phone calls, text messages, and emails;
- Payment for certification and/or recertification expenses;
- Administrative overhead
- No-calls / no-shows;
- Group services;
- Services that are not medically necessary;
- Multiple births (twins, triplets, etc.) are not eligible for additional reimbursement
- There is no separate reimbursement for false labor
 - Payment for false labor is included in the labor and delivery fee



Proposed Doula Model - Provider Requirements

- Must be 18 years of age;
- Required to obtain an NPI;
- Required to use taxonomy 374J00000X;
- ACA screening fee will not be required for individual doulas;
- Provider type: 57 – Other Service Provider;
- A provider specialty will be assigned in the system.



Proposed Oklahoma Doula Services Model – certifications

- Types of Accepted Certifications:
 - Birth Doula
 - Postpartum Doula
 - Full-Spectrum Doula
 - Community-Based Doula



Proposed Doula Model – Certifying organizations

- Birth Arts International (BAI)
- Birth Boot Camp
- BirthWorks International
- Black Doula Training (BDT)
- Childbirth International (CBI)
- Childbirth and Postpartum Professional Association (CAPPA)
- Commonsense Childbirth
- Community Birth Sista/Doula Program
- DONA International
- Doula Trainings International (DTI)
- International Childbirth Education Association (ICEA)
- International Doula Institute
- MaternityWise
- National Black Doulas Association (NBDA)
- SMC Full Circle Doula Training
- ToLabor
- Tulsa Birth Equity Initiative (TBEI)
- Uzazi Village



Proposed Doula Model – Reimbursement

- Reimbursement will be based on a percentage of the current physician schedule
- Prenatal / Postpartum Visits
 - Flat rate per visit
- Labor & Delivery Visits
 - Rate for vaginal delivery
 - Rate for caesarean delivery
 - Rate for a vaginal delivery after previous caesarean
 - Rate for a caesarean delivery following a vaginal delivery attempt after previous caesarean delivery



NEW Donor Milk for Babies in a Home Setting

The screenshot shows the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) website. The header includes the OHCA logo and a search bar. The navigation menu contains: About, Members/Applicants, Providers, Insure Oklahoma, OKSHINE, Research, Policy, and More. The breadcrumb trail reads: Oklahoma Health Care Authority > Policy and Rules > Policy and Rules > SUBCHAPTER 5. INDIVIDUAL PROVIDERS AND SPECIALTIES > PART 17. MEDICAL SUPPLIERS > 30-5-211.29. Donor human breast milk. The main heading is "OHCA Policies and Rules" with a link to "OHCA Policies and Rules Main Page". Below this, the specific policy is identified as "317:30-5-211.29. Donor human breast milk" and the issue date is "[Issued 11-04-22]".

NEW Donor Milk for Babies in a Home Setting

REIMBURSEMENT:

- In the *inpatient* setting, it will be reimbursed within the prospective Diagnosis Related Group (DRG) payment methodology for hospitals
- In an *outpatient* setting as a medical supply benefit, it will be reimbursed as a durable medical equipment, supplies, and appliances (DME) item
- Does **not** require a Certificate of Medical Necessity

NEW Donor Milk for Babies in a Home Setting

RULES:

- Must be obtained from a milk bank accredited by, and in good standing with, the HMBANA
- Milk bank must be contracted with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) as a Durable Medical Equipment (DME) provider.
- Coverage shall be extended for as long as medically necessary, but not to exceed an infant's twelve (12) months of age
- A new prior authorization will be required every ninety (90) days

NEW Donor Milk for Babies in a Home Setting

Medical Necessity Criteria:

- Other feeding options have been exhausted or are contraindicated
- Baby's biological mother's milk is **contraindicated, unavailable** due to medical or psychosocial condition, or mother's milk is available but is **insufficient in quantity** or quality

NEW Donor Milk for Babies in a Home Setting

Medical Necessity Criteria:

The infant has one (1) or more of the following conditions:

- Born at **Very Low Birth Weight (VLBW)** (less than 1,500 grams)
- **Gastrointestinal anomaly, metabolic/digestive disorder, or recovery from intestinal surgery** where digestive needs require additional support
- Diagnosed **failure to thrive**
- **Formula intolerance** with either documented feeding difficulty or weight loss
- Infant **hypoglycemia**
- **Congenital heart disease**
- **Pre or post organ transplant**
- **Other serious health conditions** where the use of donor human breast milk has been deemed medically necessary and will support the treatment and recovery of the infant as reflected in the medical records or by a physician (MD or DO), physician's assistant, or advanced practice nurse

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For members needing online assistance or general questions about SoonerCare.

OHCA Call Center (405) 522-6205 or (800) 522-0114

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Oklahoma Health Care Authority Administrative Offices (405) 522-7300

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