

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1481

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to healthcare; creating the Medical  
8 Clean Claims Transparency and Uniformity Act;  
9 providing short title; creating the Task Force on  
10 Medical Clean Claims Transparency and Uniformity;  
11 providing expiration date; stating purposes;  
12 providing for appointments; specifying date by which  
13 appointments are made; providing for vacancies;  
14 providing for designation of cochairs; specifying  
15 quorum; providing for meetings and staffing; stating  
16 that Task Force members shall receive no  
17 compensation; providing for reimbursement; requiring  
18 Task Force to comply with the Open Meeting Act and  
19 the Open Records Act; requiring examination of  
20 certain information; requiring report; providing for  
21 codification; providing an effective date; and  
22 declaring an emergency.

23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

24 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 7302 of Title 63, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Medical  
Clean Claims Transparency and Uniformity Act".

1 B. There is hereby created to continue until September 1, 2017,  
2 the Task Force on Medical Clean Claims Transparency and Uniformity.

3 The purpose of the Task Force shall be to:

4 1. Develop a standardized set of payment rules and claim edits  
5 for use by health care providers and payers in the processing of  
6 medical claims. Such rules shall consider, at a minimum:

- 7 a. the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI),  
8 directives, manuals, and transmittals developed by the  
9 United States Centers for Medicare and Medicaid  
10 Services (CMS),
- 11 b. the CMS Medicare physician fee schedule,
- 12 c. the CMS National Clinical Laboratory Fee schedule,
- 13 d. the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS),
- 14 e. Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes, and
- 15 f. National Medical Specialty Society (NMSS) coding  
16 guidelines, and

17 2. Submit a report to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate,  
18 the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Governor  
19 containing recommendations for implementing a uniform coding system  
20 in this state.

21 C. The Task Force shall consist of eleven (11) members to be  
22 appointed as follows:

23 1. Four shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the  
24 Senate as follows:

- a. one shall be a member of the majority party of the Senate with knowledge of healthcare issues,
- b. one shall be a member of the minority party of the Senate with knowledge of healthcare issues,
- c. one shall be a representative of the private health insurance community, and
- d. one shall be a representative of the health administration community;

2. Four shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as follows:

- a. one shall be a member of the majority party of the House of Representatives with knowledge of healthcare issues,
- b. one shall be a member of the minority party of the House of Representatives with knowledge of healthcare issues,
- c. one shall be a representative of the medical provider community, and
- d. one shall be a representative of the hospitals and healthcare facilities community; and

3. Three shall be appointed by the Governor as follows:

- a. one shall be the State Commissioner of Health,
- b. one shall be the State Insurance Commissioner, or a designee, and

1           c.     one shall be the Director of the Office of Management  
2                     and Enterprise Services, or a designee.

3           D.    Appointments to the Task Force shall be made by September 1,  
4 2016. Task Force members shall serve at the pleasure of their  
5 appointing authorities. A vacancy on the Task Force shall be filled  
6 by the original appointing authority.

7           E.    The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and Speaker of the  
8 House of Representatives shall each designate a cochair from among  
9 the members of the Task Force. A majority of the members of the  
10 Task Force shall constitute a quorum to do business. The Senate and  
11 House of Representatives shall, at the discretion of the President  
12 Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of  
13 Representatives, provide staff support to the Task Force as  
14 necessary to assist in the performance of its duties.

15          F.    Members of the Task Force shall determine meeting dates.  
16 Members shall not be compensated for their service but may be  
17 reimbursed by their appointing authorities for necessary expenses  
18 incurred in the performance of their duties, as follows:

19          1.    Legislative members may be reimbursed for their necessary  
20 travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in  
21 accordance with the provisions of Section 456 of Title 74 of the  
22 Oklahoma Statutes;

23          2.    Nonlegislative members who are state officers or employees  
24 may be reimbursed by their respective agencies for their necessary

1 travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in  
2 accordance with the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement  
3 Act; and

4 3. Members who are not legislators or state officers or  
5 employees of the state may be reimbursed by their appointing  
6 authorities in accordance with the provisions of the State Travel  
7 Reimbursement Act.

8 G. The proceedings of all meetings of the Task Force shall  
9 comply with the provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and  
10 Oklahoma Open Records Act.

11 H. The Task Force shall submit a report to the President Pro  
12 Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives  
13 and the Governor by September 1, 2017, describing assessment and  
14 recommendations provided by subsection B of this act.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2016.

16 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
17 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
18 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
19 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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