

An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 689

By: Pugh and Murdock of the
Senate

and

Miller, Johns and Frix of
the House

An Act relating to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority; amending 63 O.S. 2011, Section 5009.2, which relates to the Advisory Committee on Medical Care for Public Assistance Recipients; modifying and limiting membership; limiting duration of appointments; specifying duration of chair and vice-chair terms; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Oklahoma Health Care Authority

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 5009.2, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5009.2. A. The Advisory Committee on Medical Care for Public Assistance Recipients, created by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, pursuant to 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 431.12, for the purpose of advising the Authority about health and medical care services, shall include among its membership of no more than fifteen (15) the following:

1. Board-certified physicians and other representatives of the health professions who are familiar with the medical needs of low-

income population groups and with the resources available and required for their care. The Advisory Committee shall, at all times, include at least one physician from each of the six classes of physicians listed in Section 725.2 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes; ~~provided, however,~~ All such physicians and other representatives of the health professions shall be participating providers in the State Medicaid Plan;

2. Members of consumers' groups, including, but not limited to:

a. Medicaid recipients, and

b. ~~representatives from each of the following consumer organizations which represent the interests of:~~

~~(1) people who are economically disadvantaged,~~

~~(2) children,~~

~~(3) the elderly,~~

~~(4) people with mental illness,~~

~~(5) people who are developmentally disabled, and~~

~~(6) people with alcohol or substance abuse problems~~

including a member representing nursing homes, a member representing individuals with developmental disabilities and a member representing one or more behavioral health professions;

3. The Director of the Department of Human Services or designee; ~~and~~

4. The Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services or designee;

5. A member approved and appointed by ~~the Oklahoma Academy of Pediatrics~~ a state organization or state chapter of a national organization of pediatricians dedicated to the health, safety and

well-being of infants, children, adolescents and young adults, who shall:

- a. monitor provider relations with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, and
- b. create a forum to address grievances; and

6. A member who is a member or citizen of a federally recognized American Indian tribe or nation whose primary tribal headquarters is located in this state.

Beginning on January 1, 2022, appointments made to the Advisory Committee shall be for a duration not to exceed four (4) consecutive calendar years.

B. The Advisory Committee shall meet bimonthly to review and make recommendations related to:

1. Policy development and program administration;
2. Policy changes proposed by the Authority prior to consideration of such changes by the Authority;
3. Financial concerns related to the Authority and the administration of the programs under the Authority; and
4. Other pertinent information related to the management and operation of the Authority and the delivery of health and medical care services.

C. 1. The Administrator of the Authority shall provide such staff support and independent technical assistance as needed by the Advisory Committee to enable the Advisory Committee to make effective recommendations.

2. The Advisory Committee shall elect from among its members a chair and a vice-chair who shall serve one-year terms. A member may serve more than one (1), but not more than four (4), consecutive one-year terms as chair or vice-chair. A majority of the members of the Advisory Committee shall constitute a quorum to transact

business, but no vacancy shall impair the right of the remaining members to exercise all of the powers of the Advisory Committee.

3. Members shall not receive any compensation for their services, but shall be reimbursed pursuant to the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act, Section 500.1 et seq. of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

D. The Authority shall give due consideration to the comments and recommendations of the Advisory Committee in the Authority's deliberations on policies, administration, management and operation of the Authority.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

Passed the Senate the 25th day of May, 2021.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 26th day of May, 2021.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

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