



## **Psychiatric Consultation Program**

When residents in rural Oklahoma require behavioral health care, they typically turn to their primary care providers (PCPs). SoonerCare provides these PCPs with access to free, informal telephonic consultations with board-certified psychiatrists. These professionals offer advice on psychotropic medication management issues for children, adolescents and adults.

The SoonerCare Psychiatric Consultation Program is also available to judges, Department of Human Services (DHS) and Oklahoma Juvenile Affairs (OJA) supervisors.

### **How it works**

The SoonerCare-contracted primary care physician (PCP) contacts the OHCA Behavioral Health Unit at 405-522-7597 to schedule a time to review the case. We will schedule an appointment for you with an OHCA psychiatrist. Appointments are available during business hours.

#### **OHCA board-certified psychiatrists:**

Brent Bell, D.O.

John Raizen, M.D.

Psychiatric Consultation hotline 405-522-7597

Referrals for behavioral health services 1-800-652-2010

### **How the program helps children and adolescents**

**Through the Psychiatric Consultation Program, PCPs can:**

- Reduce unnecessary inpatient psychiatric hospitalizations through the effective management of psychotropic medications.
- Increase their knowledge and confidence regarding psychiatric medication management through consultation with psychiatric physicians.
- Reduce the incidence of medication noncompliance by providing effective patient education on psychotropic medication.
- Decrease the inappropriate use of psychotropic medications by learning about evidence-based prescribing practices.
- Encourage referrals for care coordination, case management, outpatient facilities or crisis services by calling 1-800-652-2010.

**What the program does not include:**

- Face-to-face psychiatric evaluations
- Forensic evaluations
- Opinions related to custody or competency issues
- Physician-to-physician referrals
- Full psychiatric evaluations by telephone