

# MISSION

To create and promote collaborative relationships among the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, tribal health care stakeholders, sovereign tribal governments, federal agencies and nontraditional partners through meaningful communication. We strive to maximize partnerships to achieve shared goals and improve the health outcomes of Oklahomans.



## Partnerships

OHCA is dedicated to collaborating with diverse partners, which make it possible to provide much needed information and resources to SoonerCare families and individuals.

- Federal agencies
- Oklahoma state agencies
- Local municipalities
- Private business entities
- Tribal governments
- Inter-state agencies
- Charitable organizations
- National organizations
- OK Heart Association



## Enrollment

Enrollment with 43 ITUs and tribal governments has resulted in several American Indians and Alaskan Natives being connected to the SoonerCare program, therefore increasing access to care and services within the tribal community.

# 21,433

## TOTAL APPROVED APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY ITU AGENCY VIEW PARTNERS IN SFY 2019.



## Spotlight

The OHCA team leads multiple projects that support tribal health care programs.



## COLLABORATIVE SAVINGS

The Chickasaw Nation, Choctaw Nation and the Indian Health Services have partnered with OHCA to realize \$223,943 in savings to the agency budget from SFY 2017 through SFY 2019. This dollar-saving collaboration is a result of the 100% Federal Medical Assistance Percentage initiative between OHCA and Urban Indian Clinic (ITU) providers that allows the state to maximize federal participation for referrals of SoonerCare members from ITUs.



## TRIBAL MEDICAID ADMINISTRATIVE MATCH

Outreach & Linkage: Tribal Medicaid Administrative Match: With just 13 tribal contractors, there have been 53,021 approved applications processed from SFY 2014 to SFY 2019 (both recertifications and new).



**OHCA was the first state agency to implement a Tribal Consultation Policy and that model is considered the gold standard nationally. In our work with other tribes at the national level, it is an honor to share the successful and effective working relationships among OHCA, Indian Health Service, tribes and Urban Indian Clinics in Oklahoma. The respect and special working relationships have been demonstrated from all levels of OHCA. The Oklahoma ITUs are grateful for the outstanding work and support from the OHCA Tribal Government Relations staff.**

**- Yvonne Myers,  
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