



STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

OHCA 2002-14

May 8, 2002

RE: OIG Audit of Oklahoma's School-Based Services

Dear Provider:

In the fall of 2001, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) conducted an audit of Oklahoma's School-Based Services program for FY2000. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) recently received a draft report of the audit. As a result of the findings, the OIG is recommending OHCA make a financial adjustment for the federal share to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for services provided which were incorrectly billed. The OHCA disagrees with the findings and is preparing a response. However, if the report is accepted by CMS a possible disallowance may have an adverse financial impact on school districts.

In order to minimize the amount of federal dollars that may be subject to recoupment, OHCA recommends that school districts examine their billing procedures for all services rendered to children who do not qualify for IDEA health related services and decide whether you want to continue billing for these questioned services. If the school district chooses to not bill at this time they should continue to document these services pending the final outcome of the report and actions deemed necessary from CMS. Medicaid claims are considered timely filed if received within one year from date of service.

Please be assured that OHCA will continue working diligently with OIG and CMS in an effort to resolve this matter.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this issue further please feel free to contact the EPSDT Manager, Ivoria Holt at (405) 522-7352 or the EPSDT School-Based Services staff: Sue Robertson, EPSDT Supervisor at (405) 522-7269 or Shelly Patterson, EPSDT Coordinator at (405) 522-7332.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Fogarty".

Mike Fogarty