

Health & Safety

Legislative Session 2016

During this Legislation Session the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) postponed a vote that would have reduced Medicaid reimbursement rates by 25 percent. The Oklahoma State Department of Health received \$54.9 million for Fiscal Year 2017, which is a 2.5 percent appropriations reduction from last year's appropriations. Since the appropriations are much greater than the agency anticipated, OSDH will restore some of the funding for the Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP) and the Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs).

Victim Protection Order

Legislation passed HB 2399, which creates the Alyssa D. Wiles Act; authorizing immediate family members to seek victim protection orders.

Medicaid Eligibility

Legislation failed to pass HB 2665, which related to eliminating Medicaid eligibility for non-pregnant able-bodied adults under the age of sixty-five.

Medical Treatment of Minors:

Legislation passed HB 2518, which relates to consent on behalf of a minor

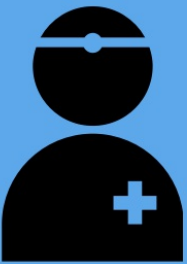
Children Diagnosed with Autism:

Legislation passed HB 2962, which requires insurance providers to cover services for children diagnosed with autism.



Immunization

Governor vetoed HB 3016, which related to creating the parental rights Immunization Act and Legislation override vetoed failed.



Humanity of the Unborn Child Act:

Legislation passed HB 2797, requires the State Department of Health to develop, update annually and maintain an electronic form containing information concerning public and private agencies and services available to assist a woman through pregnancy, upon childbirth and while the child is dependent.



Sports Related Injuries

Legislation passed SB 1164, directing the State Department of Health to create on its website a concussion management section to provide the guidelines necessary for a school district board of education and youth sports organization to develop their own policies and procedures pertaining to a concussion and head injury.