

Commissioner's Corner: Resources for the Uninsured

“Currently, there are nearly 700,000 Oklahoma without health insurance. Unfortunately, that means that one in five of you who read this will find it difficult to get the right care at the right time in the right setting. While I work diligently to find ways to cover all Oklahomans, I want to offer several resources currently available that may provide you with some assistance while we continue to press forward with developing ways to cover all of us.”

– **Kim Holland**, Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner



Partnership for Prescription Assistance

The Partnership for Prescription Assistance (PPA) helps match individuals unable to afford medications with programs that offer free or very low cost prescriptions to eligible patients. PPA is available at no charge to participants and most programs in their database are free of charge as well. Participants will be directed to programs that most closely meet their needs. PPA can enroll participants in more than 475 patient assistance programs and provides access to more than 2,500 medications. To find out what programs may be available to you, call 1-800-4PPA-NOW or visit www.pparxok.org.

Insure Oklahoma Individual Plan

The Insure Oklahoma Individual Plan is available to people who fall into one of the following categories:

- Working adults who are not eligible for an employer-sponsored Qualified Health Plan and work for an Oklahoma business with fewer than 50 employees,
- Temporarily unemployed adults who are eligible to receive unemployment benefits, or
- Working adults with a disability who work for any size employer and have a ticket to work.

You must be between the ages of 19 and 64 and a resident of Oklahoma. For more information about Insure Oklahoma, visit www.insureoklahoma.org.

Low-Cost Primary Health Care

Oklahoma has community health clinics that offer health services to the entire community on a sliding-scale basis. These clinics may be able to offer low-cost primary care to you and your family. To find a clinic near you, call the Oklahoma Primary Care Association at 1-800-454-4412.

High-Risk Pool

Oklahoma offers a state-run program that sells insurance to individuals who might otherwise be denied coverage because of an existing health problem. High-risk pools are also an option to those who are offered very expensive or limited policies due to the health condition of a family member. More information about high-risk pools can be found by calling the Oklahoma Health Insurance Risk Pool at 1-800-255-6065.