



## 2018 OHA Legislative Program

### Initiatives

**Revenue Statement** - The Oklahoma Hospital Association supports revenue measures that increase the state's ability to fully fund the cost of vital health care programs including Medicaid, behavioral health, public health and other core state services to ensure a healthier Oklahoma and thriving economy. The OHA supports immediately increasing the cigarette tax by \$1.50 per pack, dedicated to health care services, as an important measure to reduce medical costs, keep 2,100 Oklahoma youth from becoming addicted in this year and save lives.

**Medicaid Audits, Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA)** - Support legislation to require the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to clarify (a) the appeals process for providers; (b) provide peer review and provider training; (c) limits on the use of extrapolation in auditing; and, (c) prohibitions on contingency fee-based collections for audits.

- OHA will participate in a coalition of Medicaid providers including the Oklahoma State Medical Association, Oklahoma Osteopathic Association, Oklahoma Dental Association, and Oklahoma Pharmacists Association.

**Nondiscrimination of Treatment Act** - Support amending the "Nondiscrimination of Treatment Act," HB 1894, to remove the exclusion of felons from definitions of "person legally authorized to make end of life health care decisions."

**Insurance Coverage for 3D Breast Exams** - Support requiring state regulated health benefit plans to provide coverage for 3D, or digital breast tomosynthesis, to be covered like traditional breast screening exams.

*Background: HB 2601, enacted in 2016, requires health facilities that perform mammography exams to include in the summary of the report information that identifies the patient's individual breast density classification. 3D exams provide a higher level of detail in women who have dense breasts. This would provide a higher level of screening besides just letting a patient know that they have dense breasts. Additionally, 3D provides for a more advanced form of breast screening and improves early detection, when survival rates are the highest.*