PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

Ponca Health Services

FACT SHEET

Q: What is the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska?

A: The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska is a Federally recognized Indian tribe and has offices located in Niobrara, Norfolk, Omaha, Lincoln and Sioux City which serve fifteen counties: Madison, Douglas, Lancaster, Boyd, Sarpy, Burt, Platte, Stanton, Holt, Hall, Wayne, and Knox counties of Nebraska and Charles Mix County of South Dakota and Woodbury and Pottawattomie Counties of Iowa.

Q: What is Purchased/Referred Care?

A: Purchased/Referred Care (PRC) are health services provided at the expenses of the Indian Health Service from public or private medical or hospital facilities. PRC is supplement to other third-party reimbursement sources. In other words, PRC will only cover services AFTER private insurance and Medicare have paid their portion. If Medicaid is the primary reimbursement source; PRC cannot pay any remaining balance. PRC is not an insurance program.

Q: Who is eligible for PRC?

A: 1. The patient must be an enrolled member of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska and,

2. Permanently reside within one of the fifteen counties which comprise the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Service areas.

Q: What services are covered by PRC?

A: There are a variety of services covered by the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska PRC program. For more information please go to prc@poncatribe-ne.gov Click on Health Services and click the Purchased/Referred Care link.

Q: What is the contact information for the Purchased/Referred Care Department?

A: Ponca Tribe of Nebraska 1800 Syracuse Ave. Norfolk NE 68701
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Please Note: It is important to know that services can only be authorized as long as **funds are available.** Therefore, services should always be pre-authorized/approved, except in the case of emergency care. In this instance, the patient has 72 hours in which he/she must contact the PRC Department. Elderly and disabled have up to 30-days.