

## **OHCA delivers healthy smiles to Riverside Indian Boarding School for 10th Year**

ANADARKO – Some 500 students at the Riverside Indian Boarding School received free dental evaluations and health supplies during a recent event co-sponsored by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA).

"The Oklahoma Health Care Authority has been hosting this event for the Riverside Community since 2006," said Emily Shipley, OHCA Director of Governmental Affairs. "Every year, our roster grows of the state, federal, tribal and private partners collaborating together to impact the oral and physical health of these kiddos."

OHCA staff was joined by the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH), Indian Health Services (IHS), Southern Plains Tribal Health Board (SPTHB), Absentee Shawnee Tribe, Little Axe Health Center, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Oklahoma (BCBSOK). OHCA appreciates the continued support of all our partners; Colgate-Palmolive donated toothbrushes and toothpaste, SPTHB provided the dental floss and bags, and BCBSOK supplied each student with a gift.

Students learned how to achieve and maintain good oral health during onsite dental evaluations. Each student will receive follow-up care at the Anadarko Indian Health Center, operated by IHS. Other services included eye screenings, behavioral health screenings and body mass index (BMI) measurements.

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*The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) administers two key health programs for the state. The first is SoonerCare, Oklahoma's Medicaid program. SoonerCare works to improve the health outcomes of Oklahomans by ensuring that medically necessary benefits and services are responsive to the health care needs of our members. Qualifying Oklahomans include certain low-income children, seniors, the disabled, those being treated for breast or cervical cancer and those seeking family planning services. The second program OHCA operates is Insure Oklahoma, which assists qualifying adults and small business employees in obtaining health care coverage for themselves and their families. OHCA strives to educate and engage our current 805,388 members regarding personal responsibilities for their health services utilization, behaviors, and outcomes in partnership with a state-wide network of 48,224 providers. For more information, visit [www.okhca.org](http://www.okhca.org) or [www.insureoklahoma.org](http://www.insureoklahoma.org).*