SoonerCare Guideline for Provision of Progesterone Prophylaxis of Preterm Birth
SoonerCare Progesterone Guideline – Intramuscular Administration

- Screen at time of new appointment request. "Have you had a baby that was born early?"
- Expedite first appointment to include screening for hx of singleton spontaneous preterm birth
- **OHCA Coverage Algorithm**

**Patient Identification**

**Prescription Initiation**

- Consider MFM referral
- Complete form **PHARM-23** for pharmacy prior authorization
- Fax Rx to designated pharmacy for patient pick-up or mail delivery

**Patient Management**

- Initiate between 16-26 weeks
- Administer weekly IM Progesterone through 36 weeks
SoonerCare Options for Intramuscular Administration of Progesterone

- **Clinic**
  - Weekly nurse visits for administration at clinic

- **Home Health**
  - OHCA covers home health benefit for administration*
  - Home health providers can be found on the [OHCA Provider Portal](http://www.okhca.org)

  *Maximum of 36 total visits per year for most patients

- **Self**
  - Educate the patient to self-administer
  - Educate a family member or friend to administer

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SoonerCare Progesterone Guideline – Vaginal Administration

18–20 Week Anatomy Ultrasound with Cervical Length

- Cervical Length > 25 mm
  - Routine obstetrical care indicated
  - Ongoing monitoring for signs and symptoms of preterm labor

- Cervical Length 21 - 25 mm
  - Follow-up ultrasound for repeat cervical length is indicated
  - Consider MFM referral for enrollment in high risk OB package

- Cervical Length < 21 mm
  - Vaginal progesterone is indicated --> complete PHARM-23*
  - Initiate between 20 and 26 weeks
  - MFM referral for enrollment in high risk OB package

*Crinone® and Endometrin® are both covered, however, Endometrin® is preferred

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