

DENTAL TAC AGENDA 2-7-25

ZOOM MEETING <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88420053910?>

1. Greetings and Welcome- Garth Bobrowski DMD, chair

2. Introduction of new TAC members: B.J. Millay DMD & Justin Kolasa DMD MD

3. Election of chair

4. Approval of last meeting minutes- August 9, 2024

5. Commissioner Lee comments

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Other

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Avesis portal - multiple issues, "many things make it tougher on your providers"

-purpose of this change

-lack of communication

-very slow

-everything is very different

-having to process claims by hand

-getting paid at over 30 days

-can't trust the remittances(having to go through each one to match the payment with each code/procedure submitted)

B. Dental Loss Ratio

-State/DMS need to look at this as other states are incorporating this into their contracts

-several MCO's cut their reimbursements 10% to the providers for years

-during COVID Medicaid recipients were given \$100 by the MCO's to get a free vaccine: dentists were shut down for 6 weeks

-Medicaid recipients are given \$50 to get their free exam done , yet the dentists get \$26

-a dentist's comment " MCO means "Managing (their) CASH Organization"

-these are just a sampling of how the providers feel they are being disrespected

C. Anesthesia times: MCO changes : 15 minutes to 8 minutes—Dr. Kolasa

D. Since implants are allowed to be placed by Medicaid, the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons have developed a position paper. The method of choice to gather diagnostic information to evaluate the implant site is the use of the CBCT type x-ray. The current KY fee structure does not allow for this. Another use of the CBCT is in the diagnosis of root fractures to see if a root canal therapy is viable. Another use of the CBCT is in the evaluation of airway . The TAC would recommend the addition of this code.

E. How is the STATE and the MCO's verifying an adequate provider network ?

If so, is there a place in the contracts that specifically allow this?

F. How many implants were completed?paid but the MCO's for 2023?

G. DMS needs to look at removing the PRIOR AUTHORIZATION for code D3120-indirect pulp cap.

H. Are the MCO's subleasing?

I. Other New Business?

8. MOTIONS FOR THE MAC?

9.NEXT MEETING: MAY 9,2025

10.ADJOURMENT