



Senior Dental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

[Via Zoom](#)
April 16, 2024
2:00pm - 4:00pm

1. Call to Order - 2:00pm

Leighanna Konetski called meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call

There were sufficient members for a quorum.

A. Members Present

Sarah Summers-absent, Melissa Emery-present, Dr. Sarah Dirks -absent, Dr. Karl Kohlgraf-present, Dana Turner- present, Andrea Nelson- present, Leighanna Konetski-present, Katie Stuvell-present, Yvonne Castillo (logged on at 3:10pm)

B. Members Excused

Dr. Matt Carlston (logged on at 2:48pm)

C. Staff Present

Chandra Vital, Taryn Graf & Alondra Yanez

3. Approval of Minutes

- Dana Turner motioned to approve the minutes from the January 23, 2024, meeting, Andrea Nelson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Conflict of Interest

- Leighanna Konetski and Chandra Vital briefly spoke about conflicts of interest to make sure everybody understands what it means.

5. Continuance of Conversation

- Leighanna Konetski and Chandra Vital went over the Extraction and Quadrant codes and descriptions.
- Dana Turner stated she received other dentist feedback for these changes to be made when needed.
- Karl Kohlgraf mentioned they discussed with other dentist's full mouth extractions can be done in one sitting if necessary.

- Katie Stuvell asked for clarification on D4342 and D4341 changes (no more than 2 quadrants to be extracted in one seating).
- Dana Turner and Karl Kohlgraf mentioned the dentist they spoke to also agree that it wouldn't be a burden for senior patients.
- Chandra Vital spoke about creating a consent form for patients to sign for full mouth extractions.
- Katie Stuvell asked for clarification on the proposed consent form for full mouth extractions.
- Leighanna Konetski and Chandra Vital explained the importance to have the informed consent signed from both the patient and dentist to assure the patient is healthy enough to receive the services.
- Karl Kohlgraf suggested the consent form should include quadrant extractions (more than 2 quadrants).
- Chandra Vital asked the committee if the Maxillary and Mandibular tori extractions should have a separate consent form to be included on the current form.
- Karl Kohlgraf stated the Maxillary and Mandibular tori extractions should be covered on the current extraction consent form.
- Lonnie Johnson provided information regarding previous D4342 and D4341 issues.
- Leighanna Konetski asked the committee to discuss how 4 quadrants are contrary with current Medicaid and insurance practices.
- Karl Kohlgraf expressed his concern of patient's health being a priority over having the flexibility of having 4 quadrants. He didn't know how often this would be used.
- Matt Carlston said he has never done 4 quadrants in 20 years of practice.
- Chandra Vital stated that one, perhaps 2 grantees, have billed for 4 quadrants. She asked for the Committee's input if they have been reimbursed for 4 quadrants in one day what happens going forward, if the motion does not pass to include 4 quadrants? Should the grantee be asked to repay the difference?
- Matt Carlston stated that the Committee should align themselves with Medicaid and insurance companies. The grantee that has submitted reimbursement for 4 quadrants should align themselves with Medicaid.
- Karl Kohlgraf said the grantee should only be reimbursed for a maximum of 2 quadrants if the motion does not pass. He asked if there could be an exception.
- Chandra Vital stated that there would be no room for an exception without the Committee determining who would be allowed to authorize the exception.



- Public Comment: Phyllis Hirschfeld, Colorado Gerontological Society, stated they have had some practices submit 4 quadrants in one day in the past due to special circumstances. They have notified the practices not to submit payment to the State for 4 quadrants in one day.
- Chandra Vital relayed a message from Yvonne Castillo, who was having technical issues. Yvonne stated that they do not allow for more than 2 quads in the same day in an office setting, but it must be in a hospital setting if you do. She can provide a written statement or email if needed.
- Leighanna Konetski asked if the Committee would like to move forward with a vote.
- Andrea Nelson motioned for D4342 and D4341 to remain at 2 quadrants and not 4.
- Matt Carlston seconded the motion to remain unchanged on the fee schedule.
- The motion to have D4342 and D4341 changed to allow more than 2 quadrants up to 4 quadrants did not pass.
- Leighanna Konetski wanted to circle back to the issue of grantees billing for 4 quadrants.
- Chandra Vital asked how future cases should be handled if grantees submit 4 quadrants for reimbursement and what measures can be taken if not followed.
- Karl Kohlgraf stated that they should be limited to only getting reimbursed for 2 quadrants. If there are repeat cases, it can be escalated as needed.
- Matt Carlston stated that repayment can be sought on future overpayments.
- Chandra Vital asked if she should move forward with a corrective action plan outside of an audit to ensure 4 quadrants are not billed in the future. The plan would outline what internal processes are being followed to ensure 4 quadrants are not being billed.
- Leighanna Konetski stated that if a grantee continues to bill for 4 quadrants, a corrective action plan would be appropriate. Matt Carlston agreed.
- Leighanna Konetski reiterated that a grantee must adhere to guidelines and policy outlined in the program if they are to continue to take funding.
- Andrea Nelson stated that there should be some sort of threshold of occurrences before being removed as a grantee if they are not being held accountable.
- Chandra Vital stated that mandatory training is held every June for grantees. The contract outlines the grantee should know what should and should not be done.
- Katie Stuvell stated that not being paid would hopefully mitigate grantees requesting billing for 4 quadrants.



- Leighanna Konetski asked if there are other procedures not being followed as well.
- Chandra Vital said there hasn't been any billings for 4 quadrants since the last DAC meeting but would like to have a process in place from the Committee for any future program billing issues that would go into the operations manual.
- Leighanna Konetski asked if there is a standard process for incorrect billings before being removed from the program.
- Matt Carlston didn't think there was a process in place.
- Chandra Vital stated there are some strict guidelines that are being followed such as aging adult abuse and not using dentists that are not in good standing in Colorado. She suggested having a process in place that would go straight to a corrective action plan if 4 quadrants were performed in one day. She will update the policy and training to ensure grantees are following the guidelines.
- Leighanna Konetski asked if the DAC's decision to update the policy for a corrective action plan to be issued after the first offense would suffice, since they do not meet monthly.
- Chandra Vital stated that an emergency meeting could be called if necessary if this issue came up after the corrective action plan was in place.
- Karl Kohlgraff and Dana Turner agreed to proceed with this policy going forward. No committee members disagreed.

6. Colorado Revised Statutes Title 18. Criminal Code § 18-6.5-102. Definitions

- Leighanna Konetski provided an overview of the Colorado Revised Statutes Title 18. Criminal Code § 18-6.5-102.
- Melissa Emery stated the importance of providing this information to the grantees.
- Chandra Vital stated this email will be provided to grantees.

7. Request to Add D7285, D7410, and D7460 to Fee Schedule

- Chandra Vital went over the information regarding adding D7285, D7410, and D7460 to the fee schedule.
- Lonnie Johnson explained the pros as to why it would be beneficial to include these procedure codes under certain services and guidelines.
- Karl Kohlgraf, Andrea Nelson, and Matt Carlston stated they are in favor to add D7285, D7410, and D7460 to the fee schedule.
- Leighanna Konetski reviewed each procedure code to ensure what Chandra Vital has written is correct.



- Matt Carlston, Karl Kohlgraf and Lonnie Johnson agreed that the procedure guidelines were written correctly.
- Chandra Vital stated that the procedure codes will not be presented to the MSB as an emergency. They will be presented on a regularly scheduled basis.
- Karl Kohlgraf motioned for codes D7285, D7410, and D7460 to be added to the fee schedule; Melissa Emery seconded the motion. Motioned passed unanimously.

8. Public Comment

- No more public comment.

9. Board Action

- No Board actions. Dana Turner motioned to adjourn; Matt Carlston seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Meeting adjourned at 3:42pm.

The next scheduled meeting is at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, via Zoom

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