

Dental Policy Review Committee Meeting Minutes
(Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services)
July 29, 2009 (1:00-3:00 p.m.)

Members Present: Dr. Gerald Dismer, Julie Janssen, Greg Johnson, Dr. Henry Lotsof, Dr. Sheldon Rosenstein, Dr. James Wahl, Greg Johnson

Members Absent: Dr. William Goebel, Dr. Ronald Mizer, Dr. Richard Perry, Dr. James Thommes, Dr. Michael Stablein

HFS Staff: Patti Kimmel, Gina Swehla, Debby Saunders, Rebecca Romberger (by phone), Jamie Tripp, Jaci Vaughn

Doral Staff: Nick Barnette, Kelly Pulliam, Krista Smothers

Guests: Mary Pat Burgess, CDPH
Sharee Clough, IPHCA
Callie Dendrinis, Shriver Center on Poverty Law
Robyn Gable (by phone), IMCHC
Dionne Haney, ISDS
Andrea Kovach, Shriver Center on Poverty Law
Karen Moredock, DCFS
Judy Redick, IFLOSS

The meeting, videoconferenced between Chicago and Springfield, was called to order at 1:10 p.m. by HFS Dental Program Manager, Gina Swehla. Introductions followed.

Old Business

Minutes from the May 27, 2009 meeting were approved with the following revision:

- The meeting date of July 29, 2009 was added to the “Tentatively scheduled remaining 2009 meetings:” section.

Debby Saunders, Bureau Chief, Maternal and Child Health Promotion, welcomed the committee members and explained that several members have requested more participation in the policy development portion of the HFS Dental Program. She asked members to consider methods to improve and measure quality and to increase interaction between public and private agencies/groups involved with the Dental Program.

New Business

Recent revisions to the Bylaws of the Dental Program Policy Committee (DPPC) were reviewed and discussed. The revised version of the Bylaws was approved with the following change from “seven (7) days” to “thirty days”:

- Article III, Section I - Schedule of Meetings

It shall be the responsibility of the Department to give notices of the location, date and time of the regular meetings to each member of the DPPC at least thirty days prior to each of the meeting dates.

The revised version of the Bylaws, as well as past DPPC meeting minutes and future meeting agendas will be posted to the HFS Dental Program website at www.hfs.illinois.gov/dental/. A copy of the approved Bylaws is attached.

Roles and Responsibilities/Recommendations

A discussion regarding the DPPC role and responsibility in recruiting/retaining dental providers was held. The following recommendations were made regarding increasing enrollment/participation in the program:

- Increase number of participating oral surgeons by more involvement with the Illinois Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, including contributing information to their newsletter and participating in statewide conferences.
- Send the Doral Quarterly Newsletter to all dental providers in Illinois and areas bordering the State, not just providers enrolled with Medicaid, to increase awareness of the many enrollment options available to providers.
- Include HFS Dental Program information in the Illinois State Dental Society Journal.
- Provide continuing education opportunities on subjects like insurance fraud, record-keeping, etc.
- Continue to use Dental Champions for outreach in their assigned regions.

Oral Reports and Updates

HFS Report

HFS has reviewed the results of the beneficiary survey conducted by Doral in October 2008. The survey targeted three groups:

- Children (under age 21) who received dental service between April 1, 2007 and March 31, 2008,
- Children who did not receive a dental service within the same time period,
- Adults (age 21 and over) who received a dental service within the same time period.

A copy of the 2008 Annual Beneficiary Survey Analysis is attached.

Krista Smothers, Doral Illinois Outreach Coordinator, has developed a map documenting the percentage of schools, by county, receiving school-based dental services in the 2008-2009 school year. A copy of the map is attached.

The HFS Dental Program received good news from the recently completed 96TH General Assembly Session. Public Act 096-0067 (Dental Clinic Grant Program) codifies the dental grant program, recognizing the need for building the public infrastructure. It allows HFS to grant dental clinic funding at local health departments, federally qualified health centers, and rural health centers. Public Act 096-0039 provides for \$2,000,000 of the \$50,000,000 from the Capital Development Fund for dental grants, as defined in Senate Bill 1393 (Public Act 096-0067). Further details about the grant program will follow as they become available. The current grant application is attached for your review and discussion at the next DPPC meeting. The HFS Dental Program currently funds four dental clinics with a 2-year grant. The clinics are located in Bond, Dewitt/Piatt, Douglas, and Fulton Counties.

Doral Report

Dr. Henry Lotsof, Lead Dental Champion, reported on the outreach efforts of the Dental Champions program. Dental Champions are enrolled dentists in each of seven geographic areas throughout the state. They offer peer-to-peer guidance to colleagues who may be willing to participate in the Medicaid program. In addition, they assist HFS and Doral with referrals, attend local meetings, present overviews of the HFS Dental Program at professional meetings, and work with state legislators.

Nick Barnette, Doral Illinois Provider Representative, presented a recently completed Rolling Trend of Illinois Provider Participation report. For the period of 1/1/08-6/30/09, Illinois has increased its count of providers, increased its percentage of unique enrolled providers, and increased its percentage of providers participating during the report timeframe.

A Rolling Trend of Illinois Provider Participation by Provider Type (FQHC, health departments, etc.) report was requested. Debby Saunders will ask HFS staff to produce the document.

Krista Smothers, Doral Illinois Outreach Coordinator, announced that both beneficiaries and providers will be surveyed again this Fall as part of Phase III of the Doral Outreach Plan. A draft of the Dental Satisfaction Survey for providers is attached. The beneficiary survey is a work in progress. If you have comments regarding the draft survey please e-mail them to KJSmothers@doralusa.com.

The Oral Health Matters section of the Doral website has added new topics and can be viewed at www.doralusa.com

Lake County Health Department

Dr. Gerald Dismer announced new oral health guidelines for expectant mothers and infants have been released by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentists. The guidelines can be viewed at www.aapd.org.

Illinois Primary Health Care Association

Sherry Clough has detailed maps available on the IPHCA website that include locations of FQHCs, mobile dental clinics, etc. The web address is:

<http://www.iphca.org/ProgramsandServices/DataActivities/Maps/tabid/582/Default.aspx>

The IPHCA will host an Oral Health Network Workshop on September 10, 2009 from 10:00a.m.-4:00p.m. at their Institute For Learning, 500 South Ninth Street in Springfield. The title of the workshop is *Addressing Access to Oral Health Care for Special Populations/Populations With Special Needs – At Issue: Medicaid Reimbursement for Oral Health Services*. Further information and registration details are available by contacting Kathleen Burton at kburton@iphca.org or by calling (217) 541-7337.

Chicago Department of Public Health

Mary Pat Burgess reported 64,000 Chicago Public School (CPS) children received a dental service during the past school year. Dental Consent Forms will be included in the Free and Reduced Lunch packets that will be dispersed in September. A 70-80% return rate is expected. This is the first year the consent forms have been included in the packet. Last year's return rate was approximately 20%.

CPS and the Department of Public Health are planning to re-contract for a 3-year term.

All city-run dental clinics in Chicago are now closed.

Illinois Department of Public Health

Julie Janssen requested a collaborative arrangement be developed between HFS, Doral, and the Department of Public Health to assist with dental data collection, mapping, and quality assurance for children age birth-three.

Illinois State Dental Society

Greg Johnson has named Executive Director of the ISDS, effective January 1, 2010.

Dionne Haney reported the following specific clinics received funding from the Build Illinois Bond Fund bill. Further details on this legislation are available at

<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/96/PDF/096-0039.pdf>

- \$400,000 for Fulton County dental center capital improvements;
- \$100,000 for Chicago Family Health Center for construction of dental facilities;
- \$4,212,400 for SIU School of Dental Medicine for construction and renovation of a laboratory;
- \$50,000 for Fulton County construction of dental facility;
- \$100,000 for City of Cicero for construction of a dental facility at Alivio Health Center;
- \$150,000 for Lawndale Christian Health Center construction of a new dental center;
- \$175,000 for UIC College of Dentistry for pediatric dental clinic;
- \$100,000 for Douglas County for completion of dental clinic;

- \$140,000 for Wheeling Township for renovation and construction of a dental clinic.

IFLOSS

Judy Redick announced the IFLOSS Statewide Oral Health Conference, *Pursuing Excellence in Oral Health*, will be held in Springfield, October 27 – 28, 2009. The program will feature 12-13 CEU's. Featured Keynote Speaker: Dr Jay Anderson, Chief Dental Officer from HRSA. Topics include: Oral Cancer, Fluoride Varnish, Nutrition Programs, Workforce Issues, and Community Efforts. Details are available at www.IFLOSS.org/Calendar/

Illinois Maternal and Child Health Coalition

Robin Gabel reports no updates at this time.

Department of Children and Family Services

Karen Moredock reports a continued need for oral surgeons in the central Illinois who will work with DCFS clients.

Tentatively Scheduled 2009 Dental Policy Meetings

November 4, 2009 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:10 p.m.