

**Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS)**

**Dental Program Policy Review Committee**

**May 14, 2014**

**1:00-3:00 pm**

**Chicago and Springfield, IL (via telephone conference)**

Committee Members Participating in Chicago: Dr. Jorelle Alexander

Other Participants in Chicago: Nick Barnette, DentaQuest; Carol Leonard, DentaQuest

Committee Members Participating in Springfield: Dionne Haney, Dr. David Miller, Dr. Debra Schwenk, Dr. James Wahl

Other Participants in Springfield: Alicia Becker, UIC-Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC); Donald Beers, HFS; Shelly DeFrates, HFS, Amber Gibson, HFS; Julie Janssen, IFLOSS; Sarah Jensen, DentaQuest; Karen Moredock, IL Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS); Judy O'Shea, IFLOSS; Krista Smothers, DentaQuest; Jennifer Straub, DentaQuest; Gina Swehla, HFS; Jaci Vaughn, HFS

Also attending via conference call: Dr. Perry

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Meeting was called to order by HFS Dental Program Manager, Gina Swehla.

**CHIPRA Presentation:** A brief history of the CHIPRA Quality Demonstration Grant was presented. Committee members and other participants were asked to review a fact sheet titled, "Improving Dental Care for Illinois All Kids" and provide feedback on possible revisions, additions, etc. The fact sheet is designed to be a quality improvement tool for dentists, dental hygienists, primary care physicians, pediatricians, and health plans to:

- Improve All Kids enrollees understanding of the value of oral health care as part of their overall health;
- Build stakeholder partnerships to increase available resources;
- Support the integration of dental and medical practices.

Committee members and guests provided several suggestions for revision of the fact sheet. The revised draft will be presented again for further review at a future meeting.

At the conclusion of the CHIPRA presentation, participants in Springfield and Chicago were introduced. A quorum of committee members was present.

***HFS Report:***

**Proposed Legislation:** House Bill (HB)1516, Senate Amendment (SA)2 has been re-referred to the House Rules Committee as of January 3,2014. For passage, the bill will need to be released from the Rules Committee.

Members of the Illinois Legislature have proposed three other bills related to the adult Medicaid Dental Program; SB2605, HB 1208, HB3693. Complete text of each of these bills and other legislative information is available at [www.ilga.illinois.gov](http://www.ilga.illinois.gov)

**DORM:** HFS Dental Program staff and DentaQuest staff are drafting revisions to the current Dental Office Reference Manual (DORM).

**IPHCA:** HFS Dental Program staff and DentaQuest representatives will present a HFS Dental Program update at a March 14, 2014 meeting of IL Primary Healthcare Association (IPHCA) Dental Directors' meeting.

***DentaQuest Report:***

The number of enrolled dental providers as of December 31, 2013 is 2,862, an increase from the 2,850 enrolled as of December 31, 2012. The number of access points for dental care has also increased to 6,762 at the end of 2013, from 6,190 in 2012.

DentaQuest staff will participate in the Chicago Dental Society Midwinter Meeting in Chicago, February 20-22, 2014.

***Other Updates:***

Dr. Indru Punwani reports the Mile Square Pediatric Clinic at the University of Chicago has received a \$500,000 grant from the Children's Healthcare Foundation; additional funding is being sought. The pediatric medicine portion of the clinic is now open. The dental portion of the clinic, featuring 10 operatories will open soon. The clinic is expected to annually treat as many as 30,000 children.

Dr. David Miller, Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) reports:

- Thirty site visits to school-based dental providers have been completed so far this school year. Site visits are conducted by IDPH staff on behalf of HFS. Consistency in follow-up referrals for children whose exam indicates one to four cavities (score of "2") and children whose exam indicates five or more cavities (score of "3") is the prevalent finding of the site visits.
- Beginning development of a cost-benefit analysis of the dental sealant program using guidelines from the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors (ASTDD).
- A survey of third-graders' oral health needs is being conducted.

Dr. Mary Hayes reports the Chicago Dental Society (CDS) Foundation Dental Clinic in Wheaton is successfully operational. The clinic is a "safety net" provider; providing dental services that on the spectrum of dental care fall between a dental home and emergency care. The clinic was projected to

provide \$500,000 worth of dental services in 2013. After nine months of operation, the clinic has already provided \$430,000 worth of dental services. There are 200 registered patients at the clinic, now open six days a week and staffed by CDS volunteers. A new office coordinator has also now been hired at the clinic.

Kim Bartolomucci reports the Chicago Community Oral Health Forum (CCOHF) is assisting with the IDPH oral health screening survey in Chicago Public Schools (CPS). The group also provides oral health education at CPS for students in pre-Kindergarten through twelfth grade. The 20-30 minute presentation is funded by a grant from the Wm Wrigley Jr. Company. A presentation for children age 0-5 is currently being developed. CCOHF also has received a grant from the Mars Company to develop an oral health campaign that will be rolled out on March 5, 2014 at the ADA Headquarters. The oral health campaign is not county specific.

Dr Jorelle Alexander reports the Cook County Health and Hospital Systems (CCHHS) is assisting with the CPS oral health survey of third graders. The CCHHS has also added a department of oral health to their organization.

Judy O' Shea reports IFLOSS will hold a conference in Bloomington, IL on September 10 and 11. The conference will be held at the Marriott in Bloomington. Details of the conference, including registration materials and programs offered will be available later this year on the IFLOSS website at [www.ifloss.org](http://www.ifloss.org).

Dr. Debra Schwenk reports that she has left her position as Clinical Dean of Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine but will continue with the university in preparation for her retirement. Her replacement has been hired. The School of Dental Medicine has received two grants to fund the operation of two dental operatories that will be equipped to provide sedation at Touchette Hospital in East St. Louis, IL.

Dionne Haney reports the Illinois State Dental Society (ISDS) continues to support HB1516, SA2 and is also researching other possible solutions for the lack of Medicaid funded adult dental services in Illinois. The ISDS Mission of Mercy will be held June 20-21, 2014 at the Peoria Civic Center in Peoria, IL. Volunteer registration for the Mission of Mercy will soon be available on the ISDS website at [www.isds.org](http://www.isds.org).

ISDS is also offering special events license plates to celebrate their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary and the Mission of Mercy. The order form for the license plates is available online at [www.isds.org](http://www.isds.org). The license plates can be displayed from April 23-June 21, 2014. A set of plates (front and rear) costs \$30.00 and must be ordered by February 1, 2014.

Julie Janssen reports her retirement from the Division of Oral Health at IDPH. Julie is now volunteering with the IFLOSS organization.

Dr. Ronald Mizer reports his retirement from his practice in Taylorville, IL effective January 3, 2014.

#### **Dental Policy Review Committee Meetings for 2014**

1pm - 3 pm video-conference between Chicago and Springfield

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