

January 5, 2021

Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Policy Transmittal: 2021-01	
Applicable to the following benefits in the 2018-2023 SMMC contract : Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) and MMA Specialty Long-term Care (LTC) Dental	

Re: Dental Performance Measures and Reporting Requirements for July 1, 2021 Reporting

The Agency may add or remove performance measure requirements, including performance targets and timelines associated with meeting the targets, with sixty (60) days' advance notice. (Attachment II, Section IX.B.1.b) The dental plan must collect statewide data on enrollee performance measures, as defined by the Agency and as specified in the Performance Measures Table, Table 4 in the contract, in applicable Exhibits, the Managed Care Plan Report Guide and Performance Measures Specifications Manual. (Attachment II, Section IX.B.2.a.). The purpose of this policy transmittal is to notify the dental plan about updated performance measures and reporting requirements.

Discontinued Performance Measures

The dental plan is not required to report on the following performance measure from Table 4 in Attachment II, Section IX.B.2.c., beginning with July 1, 2021 reporting.

Agency-Defined – Based on Dental Quality Alliance Specifications for Children's Measure	
9.	Ambulatory Care Sensitive Emergency Department Visits for Dental Caries in Adults (ages 21 and up)

New Performance Measures

The dental plan must report on the following new performance measures which will be added to Table 4 in Attachment II, Section IX.B.2.c.

Dental Quality Alliance
Ambulatory Care Sensitive Emergency Department Visits for Non-Traumatic Dental
Conditions in Adults
Treatment Services (Pediatric Measure)
Sealant Receipt on Permanent 1st Molars

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will publish the resources for reporting the 2021 Child Core Set (PDF, 163.06 KB) in the Spring of 2021. The "Sealant Receipt on Permanent 1st Molars" performance measure has already been added to the 2021 Child Core Set even though CMS has not formally released the 2021 Child Core Set Technical Specifications Manual. The dental plan must utilize the most recent specifications for the Receipt of Sealants on First Permanent Molar that is posted on the Dental Quality Alliance



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website https://www.ada.org/en/science-research/dental-quality-alliance for July 1, 2021 reporting. Once Child Core Set technical specifications are available for this measure, it will be listed under Child Core Set instead of Dental Quality Alliance.

Dental Plan Performance Measure Specifications

The dental plan must use the Dental Plan Performance Measure Specifications Manual that is attached to this policy transmittal for the July 1, 2021 reporting.

If you have any questions, please contact your contract manager.

Sincerely,

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Attachment 1: Dental Plan Performance Measure Specifications Manual