

# Dental Transformation Initiative

## Domain 2:

### Caries Risk Assessment and Disease Management

#### Domain 2: Goals

**Approximately 11% of children aged 1–5 years reported oral health problems.** In partnership with providers like you, the Denti-Cal program strives to diagnose early childhood caries by utilizing Caries Risk Assessments (CRA) to treat it as a chronic disease.

**Approximately 23% of children aged 2–5 years had dental caries in primary teeth.** The Denti-Cal program is introducing a model that proactively prevents and mitigates oral disease through the delivery of preventative services in lieu of more invasive and costly procedures (restorative services).

**Treatment plans are prescribed based on caries risk level and include:** CRA concepts, topical fluoride varnish application, toothbrush prophylaxis, and exams.

**Treatment plans and associated procedures will be carried out as follows:** Over a 12

#### HIGH RISK

children will be authorized  
to visit **4** times

#### MODERATE RISK

children will be authorized  
to visit **3** times

#### LOW RISK

children will be authorized  
to visit **2** times

month period to determine whether a child is low, moderate, or high risk of developing ECC from infancy to age 6.

#### Taking care of our participating providers

Incentive payments will be made to providers for successful completion of CRA, nutritional counseling, motivational interview, and treatment plan.


**How can you participate?** In order to participate in Domain 2 providers must complete the DHCS approved CRA Training. Visit [www.cda.org/TYKE](http://www.cda.org/TYKE)

Once you complete your training, send in your Certificate of Completion of the DHCS approved CRA Training and the completed Domain 2 CRA Provider Opt-In Attestation Form (included in the packet and online).

For any questions and/or comments regarding DTI Domain 2, please contact [DTI@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:DTI@dhcs.ca.gov)

### Setting our providers up for success

1. Get certified with the CDA to participate in the program here, **[www.cda.org/TYKE](http://www.cda.org/TYKE)**.
2. Mail in your Certificate of Completion of the DHCS approved CRA Training and Opt-In Attestation form.
3. Follow the billing instruction provided in you Domain 2 folder when submitting claims.

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