# Medi-Cal Dental Statewide Stakeholder Meeting

August 14, 2025 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.





## Agenda

- Fee-For-Service
- Dental Mange Care
- Medi-Cal Dental
- Stakeholder Topics
- Open Forum

## **Fee-For-Service Updates**

- Provider Enrollment
- Provider Training
- Provider Portal
- Provider Engagements
- Member Complaint

- Adjudication
- Physician Toolkits
- Mobile Van Events
- Member Outreach

#### PROVIDER ENROLLMENT

#### **Billing Services**

#### **Rendering Services**

At the end of Q2 2025, there was a total of 6,846 billing service office locations.

At the end of Q2 2025, there was a total of 13,557 rendering providers.

#### **New Provider Enrollments**

#### **Quarter 1 2025**

- Total of 120 billing offices
- 88 General Dentists
- 5 Pediatric Dentists
- 12 Certified Orthodontists
- 2 Endodontists
- 2 Oral Surgeons
- 6 RDHAPs

#### **Quarter 2 2025**

- Total of 109 billing offices
- 78 General Dentists
- 4 Pediatric Dentists
- 14 Certified Orthodontists
- 2 Endodontists
- 3 Oral Surgeons
- 7 RDHAPs

### **Provider Training – Webinars and Seminars**

- Q2 2025
  - 8 Basic and EDI Seminars/Webinars
    - 140 Providers attended
  - 8 Advanced Seminars/Webinars
    - 181 Providers Attended
  - 1 Orthodontic Webinar
    - 11 Orthodontics Attended
  - 4 Learning Management Systems
    - 14 Providers Attended

#### Medi-Cal Dental Provider Training Schedule

#### **Provider Bulletin**

- Medi-Cal dental provider portal is implementing a new 4-digit provider identification number (PIN), replacing the previous method of using the last four digits of your social security number and your date of birth
  - Provider Portal User Guide Updates
    - Click Here
  - FAQs
    - Click Here
  - Training Webinars
    - Click Here

## California Dental Association (CDA)

May 15 – May 17, 2025

- Anaheim, CA
  - Reached out and exchanged numbers with local field representatives for contact.
  - Provided information on April bulletin and CalAIM Bulletin for recruitment purposes.

## California Dental Hygienist Association (CDHA)

May 16, 2025

- Spring Scientific Session
  - Approximately 325 attendees
- Gainwell provided information on the April bulletin and CalAIM bulletin for recruitment purposes.

#### Smile, CA: Community Events

- Between April to June 2025:
  - Updates and Highlights
    - Contacted 988 agencies
    - Attended 28 Virtual and in-person Meeting
    - Click Here



## Smile, CA: By The Numbers

- As of the end of **Q2 2025**, the *Smile, California* websites have received a combined total of:
  - 10,183,312 visits from 6,917,001 unique users
  - 5,622,743 clicks to the "Find a Dentist" button
  - **693,630** downloads
- Smile, CA provided:
  - 26,600 pieces of material to partners for distribution
  - 1 smile Alert
    - Gained 306 Smile Alert subscribers for a total of 4,436 subscribers.

#### **Mobile Van Events**

- DHCS and Gainwell are partnering with Smile Dental Services for Mobile Events in underserved communities starting in September 2025.
- If you would like to feature your event on the *Smile, California* websites, reach out to:
  - Hello@SmileCalifornia.org or
  - MediCaldentalOuterachSNC@gainwelltechnologies.com

## **Primary Physician Toolkit**

- At the end of Quarter 2, 2025, the Smile, CA Primary Toolkit page received a combined total of:
  - 201 visits from 111 active users
- In an effort to increase awareness of oral health and strengthen the connection between medical and dental care, Smile, CA offers the Smile, CA Primary Care Physician Toolkit.
- For more information ab9out the Primary Care Physician Toolkit, please visit the link below.
  - Smile, CA Primary Physician Toolkit Website

## **Oral Health Education Videos**

- Providing oral health education to members about the importance of dental care as a part of overall health.
- Videos can be accessed at:
  - Oral Health Videos.dhcs.ca.gov

# Looking Ahead: Outreach Events and Opportunities

#### Provider Outreach

- Bay Area Dental Expo
- San Diego Dental Convention

#### Member Outreach

- Mobile Dental Van Events
- Updated Outreach Map
- Back to School
- 2025 Member and Provider Outreach Plan

# Partnering with Medi-Cal Medical Managed Plans

- Locating a general, specialist, or clinic that offers dental services
- Accessing appointments
- Language and transportation assistance
- Presentations
- Outreach Support.

For Outreach Support, Managed Health Plan Dental Liaisons can reach out to Medi-CalDentalOutreachSNC@gainwelltechnologies.com.

## **TAR/Claim Adjudication**

#### Processing Times

- TARs (Treatment Authorization Request)
  - 5 State workdays
- Claims
  - 20 State Workdays
- CIFs (Claim Inquiry Form)
  - 15 State Workdays

For more information about codes and messages, please refer to the Provider Handbook. For questions, please call the Telephone Service Center at (800)423-0507.

## **Dental Managed Care (DMC) Transition**

David Ferber Branch Chief



## **Dental Managed Care Updates**

- Health Net Dental Plan
  - Felisha Scott
- California Dental Network
  - Rick Callery
- Liberty Dental Plan
  - Destiny Rockwood

## **Health Net**

Felisha Scott

## DentaQuest

Rick Callery

## **Liberty Dental Network**

**Destiny Rockwood** 

### **Medi-Cal Dental Updates**

- State Fiscal Year 25-26 Budget Impact
- CalAIM Fact Sheet Key Findings
- Cultural Competency Training
- Adjucation Reason Code (ARC) Update
- Community Health Workers (CHW)
- Statewide Fact Sheet Key Findings

# State Fiscal Year 25-26 Budget Impact

Dana Durham

Division Chief



# CalAIM Fact Sheet Key Findings

Kelsey Peterson

Unit Chief



## **Cultural Competency Training**

Noor Hasan

Dental Hygienist Consultant



# Adjudication Reason Code (ARC) Updates

Dr. Bryan Nokelby

Dental Program Consultant



# Community Health Workers (CHW)

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Branch Chief



# Statewide Fact Sheet Key Findings

Kelsey Peterson

**Unit Chief** 



## **Open Forum**

- For questions, please use the hand raising function.
  - When you are called upon to speak, please unmute your microphone and introduce yourself.
- You may also email <u>dental@dhcs.ca.gov</u>

### **Closing Remarks**

Next Statewide Stakeholder Meeting: **February 2026** 

Provide any feedback at <a href="Dental@dhcs.ca.gov">Dental@dhcs.ca.gov</a>