DATE: May 16, 2014

TO: ALL MEDI-CAL DENTAL MANAGED CARE PLANS

SUBJECT: APL 14-003: Update Regarding the Restoration of Some Adult Dental Services Effective May 1, 2014

The purpose of this All Plan Letter (APL) is to inform Medi-Cal Dental Managed Care plans that on June 27, 2013, Governor Jerry Brown approved Assembly Bill 82 (AB 82) which restores some adult dental benefits to the Denti-Cal program. Beginning May 1, 2014, the following benefits will be restored to beneficiaries age 21 and older:

• Initial examinations, radiographs/photographic images, prophylaxis, and fluoride treatments.
• Amalgam and composite restorations.
• Prefabricated stainless still, resin, and resin window crowns
• Anterior root canal therapy.
• Complete dentures, including immediate dentures.
• Complete denture adjustments, repairs and relines.

All pregnant adult beneficiaries regardless of age, aid code, and/or scope of benefits will also be afforded access to these aforementioned services provided that medical necessity is documented in accordance with the Denti-Cal Manual of Criteria.

Please also note that the following adult dental benefits remain unchanged:

• Pregnancy-related services
• Emergency services
• Services provided to residents of an Intermediate Care Facility/Skilled Nursing Facility
• Services provided to Consumers of the Department of Developmental Services

Please forward this information to your dental plan providers.
If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 464-0373.

Sincerely,

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