Dental Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: March 18, 2019
Minutes prepared by: Vrklan / Maytan
Location: Mosquito Control Building

Meeting Topic:

1. DHS updates
2. Rule 9505.0250
3. OneCare (DHS supported) proposal into Governor’s budget

DSAC Voting Members in Attendance:

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<td>Sheila Riggs, DDS DMSc - Chair</td>
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<td>Children’s Dental Services</td>
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<td>Colleen Brickle, EdD RDH RF</td>
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<td>Patrick Ennen, DDS MSD</td>
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<td>LouAnn Goodnough, MPNA DH BS</td>
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<td>David Maki, DDS MBA</td>
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Carla McMorris, DH BS | Children’s Dental Services | x  
Jeff Ogden, MBA | Health Partners | x  
Dan Rose, DDS FADI | Lakewood Hospital | x  
Mary Seieroe, DDS | Hennepin County Medical Center | x  
Hussein Sheikh, RDH LDA | Open Cities Health Center | x  
Jayne Whiteford, MSW | Consumer | x

**Attendance of DHS and MDH staff**

**DHS:** Jeff Schiff, Linda Maytan, Diogo Ries, Tracy Vrklan, Brian Kajewski – DCT dental director – *ex officio member*, Jared Greupner

**MDH:** Prasida Khanal MPH BDS – State Oral Health Director – *ex officio member*, Muneera Hassan - PHAP, Rishu Garg

**Attendance of the Public**

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Call to Order: Sheila Riggs

Approval of meeting minutes for the October 2018 DSAC meeting.

Introduction of new and returning members

**Acknowledgement of Minnesota’s Dental Leaders**: Dr. Helgeson is receiving a national award for Community Oral Health Impact from the AACDP (American Assoc. of Community Dental Programs). It will be awarded at the National Oral Health Conference (NOHC) next month. Rachel Kashani-Legler is receiving an Allied Dental Educators Fellowship award from ADEA and Colgate-Palmolive today, in Chicago. Congratulations to our colleagues!

**Updates:**

**Schiff / DHS:**

New DHS leadership under Governor Walz:

- DHS Commissioner: Tony Lourey
- DHS Deputy Commissioner for Policy: Claire Wilson
- DHS Assistant Commissioner for Health Care Administration, and Medicaid Director: Marie Zimmerman

**Opioid updates**: Opioid updates: Last week was the release of “Flip the Script”, from the opioid prescribing improvement program (OPIP). Materials are available for providers: [https://mn.gov/dhs/opip/](https://mn.gov/dhs/opip/) Letters will be sent to providers, requesting sign up for a MN-IT mailbox. Then, providers will receive individualized updates regarding their opioid prescribing compared to their peers. Creation of a MN-IT mailbox is our preferred mechanism, but if it is not created a paper report will be mailed. Overall, the dental community is doing a good job decreasing the number of opioid prescriptions. Discussion followed, with concern for providers who treat acute patients – these providers may have a higher
prescribing rate. Prescribing for surgical prescribers does not have a threshold for the volume of acute prescriptions written.

DHS received federal grant funds for opioid treatment. There was discussion about making these grants more inclusive of dental providers. Less for provider specific issues. It’s about integration of medical and dental. A major category of the new grants is for community integration. In those projects, dental providers could be part of the application.

Khanal / MDH:

1. Rishu Garg has been hired as the Prevention Coordinator at the Oral Health Program. Rishu formerly served 8 years as the prevention coordinator in Louisiana. Most recently, he was working in the Body Art regulation area of MDH.
2. State Oral Health Plan Progress: Over 215 responses were received during the public comment period. A vendor will be hired to formulate the responses into the final format. Responses which are outside the jurisdiction of the State Oral Health Plan will be compiled.
3. RFP’s will be announced for more water bottle filling stations and other initiatives.

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**Review / discussion of Rule 9505.0250**

Minnesota Administrative Rules:  [https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/9505.0250/](https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/9505.0250/)

**9505.0250 CLINIC SERVICES.**

Subpart 1.

**Definition.**

"Clinic service" means a preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative, or palliative service provided by a facility that is not part of a hospital but provides medical or dental care to outpatients.

Subp. 2.

**Eligible provider.**

To be eligible for medical assistance payment for a clinic service, a clinic must comply with items A to C.

A. The clinic must have a federal employer's identification number and must report the number to the department.

B. A clinic that provides physician services as defined in part 9505.0345, subpart 1 must have at least two physicians on the staff. The physician service must be provided by or under the supervision of a physician who is a provider and is on the premises.
C. A clinic that provides dental services as defined in part 9505.0270, subpart 1 must have at least two dentists on the staff. The dental service must be provided by or under the supervision of a dentist who is a provider and is on the premises.

Subp. 3.

**Exemption from requirements.**

The requirements of subpart 2 do not apply to a rural health clinic as in part 9505.0395, a community health clinic as in part 9505.0255, and a public health clinic as in part 9505.0380.

**Statutory Authority:** MS s 256B.04

**History:** 12 SR 624

**Published Electronically:** August 12, 2008

This rule was uncovered by two separate entities who wish to expand medical-dental integration in to primary care, using mid-level dental providers within their scope of practice to deliver elements of dental care. Once uncovered, these two entities reached out to DHS for more information. There is lack of clarity around the origination and intent of this rule. Because it does not “match” with current dental provider scope of practice parameters, there is agreement it should be updated. The rule is incongruous with scope of practice and licensure parameters for collaborative practice dental hygienists, dental therapists, and advanced dental therapists. Discussion followed, noting several change options. One option is to delete subparts B and C. This decision needs to be finalized and voted on at the June 17th meeting, then a recommendation made.

**Biennial Budget Proposal/discussion**

The Governor’s Office and DHS has put forth a proposal to:

- Eliminate CAD
- Increase reimbursements by 54%

More to no more than two administrators to handle billing in a FFS basis.

Safety net clinics are struggling with this as it:

- Doesn’t assure a hold harmless position for their clinics
- Does not adjust payment for complex cases
- Will hinder access
DHS staff stressed that we need to do something as what we are currently doing is not working. The proposal will be implemented in 2022 in its current form.

Adjourned at 3:00

**Next Meeting:**

Date: 06/17/2019  
Time: 1:00 pm  
Location: Mosquito Control Building