



Department of Medicaid

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TO: Eligible Medicaid Providers of Dental Services
Chief Executive Officers, Managed Care Plans
Directors, County Departments of Job and Family Services

FROM: Barbara R. Sears, Medicaid Director

SUBJECT: Coverage of Tobacco Cessation Counseling Services

The purpose of this Medicaid Advisory Letter is to provide notice of coverage of tobacco cessation and counseling services in the Medicaid dental benefit effective January 1, 2018.

Tobacco counseling for the control and prevention of oral disease, represented by procedure code D1320, is now a covered service for individuals who use tobacco products or who have a history of tobacco use. Tobacco cessation counseling services must be performed in conjunction with (on the same date of service as) another dental service. Claims for tobacco cessation counseling services may be submitted not more than twice per calendar year. Providers must document the individual's use of tobacco and the extent of the counseling session; they must also provide cessation assistance as appropriate, such as referral to a tobacco cessation support hotline, additional counseling, or orders for prescription or non-prescription smoking cessation products or medication.

The Medicaid maximum fee for D1320 is \$15.00.

Additional Information

Information about the services and programs of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) may be accessed through the main ODM web page, <http://www.medicaid.ohio.gov>.

Questions pertaining to this letter should be directed to the Ohio Department of Medicaid:

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