



PROVIDER NOTICE

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Priority Partners: Dental Benefits to Extend to Adults

Effective Date: Jan. 1, 2023

Health Plans Affected: Priority Partners

Type of Change: Benefit

Explanation of Change:

Beginning Jan. 1, 2023, Maryland Medicaid will provide coverage of dental services to adults under the Maryland Healthy Smiles Dental Program (MHSDP).

As a result, all adults who have Medicaid through a Managed Care Organization (MCO) — such as Priority Partners — are covered for dental benefits. Currently, only adults who are pregnant or in the Rare and Expensive Case Management program have coverage for dental benefits.

The MHSDP program provides comprehensive dental services, which include diagnostic, preventive, restorative, endodontic, periodontics, and certain prosthodontic services; oral maxillofacial surgery; and sedation.

The expansion of dental services to adults through Maryland Medicaid means that Priority Partners will no longer offer adults dental benefits through the vendor DentaQuest as of Jan. 1, 2023. Please direct questions about the adult dental coverage expansion to MHSDP at 844-275-8753.

To ensure the continuation of care, we encourage all Priority Partners dental providers to enroll with Maryland Medicaid to participate in MHSDP. To enroll as a Medicaid provider:

- Visit the [Electronic Provider Enrollment and Revalidation Portal](#)* (ePREP).
 - For more information about Medicaid enrollment, call the ePREP help desk at 844-463-7768.
- Step-by-step enrollment instructions with tutorial videos can be found under the [prospective provider section of the MHSDP website](#)*.

If you are already enrolled in Medicaid, there is nothing additional you need to do.

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