

Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee
Thursday, June 6, 2019
2:00pm – 4:00pm



Sacramento First 5 – Community Room
2750 Gateway Oaks Ste. 330
Sacramento CA 95833

Join by Phone: (916) 876-4100
Conference ID: 890250

AGENDA

- 1. 2:00 Welcome & Introductions** Terry Jones

Members Present:
Robin Blanks-Guster, Terry Jones, Debra Payne, Jim Musser, Melinda Anderson-Bitney, Martha Cisneros-Campos, Dorothy Seleski, Katie Andrew, Dharia McGrew, Maritza Valencia, Julie Gallelo, Jan Resler, Cynthia Vanzant, Jonathan Porteus, Steve Heath

Members on the Phone: Olivia Kasirye

Members Absent:
Henrietta Gutierrez, Cathy Levering, Devon McCracken, Mary Jess Wilson

Public Present:
Kris Clinton, Robyn Alongi, Sonya Bingaman, Lisa Rufo, Danielle Cannarozzi, Mira Yang, Stacy Anderson, Edward Bynum (phone), Taryn Peters, Tony (Western Dental), Joshua Flamm (Alta Regional), Donnel Kenworthy, Darrell Kenworthy, DJ Kenworthy, Cathy Larsen, Thomas Tremble, Magnus Yang, Kelsey Reyne, Giselle Castro, Gricelda Ocegueda, J. Miguel Suarez (phone), Effie Hubbard-Ruggles
- 2. 2:05 Approve April 4, 2019, Meeting Minutes (Action)** Terry Jones

A motion to approve the April 4, 2019 minutes made by Debra Payne and seconded by Cynthia Vanzant. Minutes approved.
- 3. 2:10 Special Needs Population Presentation** Sonya Bingaman

Sonya Bingaman and Kelsey Reyne made a presentation on the special needs population, their unmet dental needs, and lack of resources.

The Board of Supervisors may be able to direct community hospitals to grant more operating room time for dentistry for special needs population.
- 4. 2:40 Summary of Current Practice Conditions** Rodney Bughao

Rodney Bughao's presentation was rescheduled for the next meeting.

5. 2:50 Medi-Cal Dental Coverage: Crown Lengthening/Crowns Cathy Levering

Terry Jones presented a concern on behalf of Cathy Levering and member dentists. Cathy reports that SDDS members who are Medi-Cal providers feel semi-precious crowns (preformed, stainless steel crowns) that are reimbursed by Medi-Cal are substandard and therefore they are not willing to place them. Lab-fabricated crowns are the standard of care, but not a Medi-Cal covered benefit. Dentists are not able to choose the material for crowns for their Medi-Cal patients as they are for non-Medi-Cal patients.

A Medi-Cal Dental Provider Bulletin is forthcoming to address the matter. MCDAC can review this policy and possibly appeal to stakeholders to address the issue while keeping in mind that adequate reimbursement of the benefit is critical.

6. 3:05 Presentation to the Board of Supervisors 7/16/19 Debra Payne

Debra Payne and/or Terry Jones will report MCDAC activities to the Board of Supervisors on 7/16/19.

7. 3:10 Dental Plans Update Dental Plans

Liberty Dental Plan

Danielle Cannarozzi reported that Liberty is participating in 15 events in June and Dr. Pan's meal sites every Monday in July. Anyone can text "Food" to 877877 to find the location of meal sites all summer. Below is a list of confirmed community events:

Summer Hub Gathering

Thursday, June 20th, 6pm-8pm

4625 44th St – Sacramento

Mack Road Summer Night Lights

Friday, June 21st, 6:30pm-9:30pm

Mack Road Valley Hi Community Center, 7833 Center Parkway Sacramento, CA 95823

Health Net's Community Resource Center Grand Opening Health & Job Fair

Saturday, June 22nd, 10am – 2pm

3725 Marysville Blvd - Sacramento, CA, United States

Harambee Festival

Saturday, June 22nd, 5pm-8pm

Meadowview Park, 7760 24th Street

Dr. Pan's Meal Site & Free Swim Day – free meals for adults & parents!

Thursday, June 27th, Noon -2pm

George Sim Community Center, 6207 Logan St, Sacramento

Health Net Dental Plan

Dorothy Seleski reported that June 22 is the grand opening of the Health Net community resource center at 3725 Marysville Blvd. It will have permanent day staff and include medical and dental navigation services. The site will have a health and job fair on June 22nd from 10-2 pm. SDDS will provide an oral health puppet show and Early Smiles Sacramento will provide screenings. The facility offers space to partners to provide health events.

Access Dental Plan

Martha Cisneros reported that there were 1,500 meals served at the Million Meals kick off in May. The California Department of Education pays for the meals. Early Smiles Sacramento and Access Dental will be at open meal sites to provide services throughout the summer.

8. 3:25 California Dental Association Update

Dharia McGrew

Dharia McGrew reported that budget negotiations are ongoing. In May, the governor proposed establishing a 2.5-year sunset on Prop 56 funding. CDA supports long-term continuity for dentists and is against “sunsetting” the funds. An agreement will be made by Monday, June 10, 2019 and the final budget will be signed by June 15th.

DHCS received 1,200 applications for the CalHealthCares student loan repayment program and will fund up to 120 applicants this year (both physicians and dentists). The dental portion of the program was launched with \$30 million from last year and will receive an additional \$20 million this year, bringing the total to \$50 million for dental providers.

SB 154 (Pan) – adds silver diamine fluoride (SDF) as a Medi-Cal benefit for specific populations including children 6 years old and under, people with special needs, and adults in skilled nursing facilities. SB 154 passed the Senate and will be heard by the Assembly Health Committee on Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

9. 3:30 Children Now Update

Katie Andrew

Katie Andrew reported the next Medical Dental Learning Collaborative is on June 20, 2019, at 5:30 pm. The speaker will present on HPV and oral cancers.

10. 3:35 Every Smile Counts Update

Debra Payne

Debra Payne reported VDH schools are participating in the summer school lunch program. Western Dental acquired Blue Hills Dental. Western providers will begin VDH in the Sacramento City USD in the fall. The Medical Dental Pilot is working with the local medical society to get more medical providers involvement. The Community Outreach and Parent Education pilot is working to complete the voice-overs for the translated parent education modules.

11. 3:40 Early Smiles - Center for Oral Health

Mira Yang

Mira Yang reported ESS has screened 20,833 children and 16,764 have received fluoride varnish. Statistics reported:

Age Group (years)	Number and Percent of Children	Treatment Urgency	Number and Percent of Children
0-5	9,195 (44.0%)	1	15,386 (73.6%)
6 and above	11,343 (54.3%)	2	4,695 (22.4%)
Missing	343 (1.6%)	3	695 (3.3%)
Total	20,881	Missing	105 (0.05%)

12. 3:45 Agenda Items for August 1, 2019 MCDAC Meeting

All

- Summary of Current Practice Conditions by Dr. Rodney Bughao
- Early Smiles Sacramento 2019-20 school year data presentation
- Discussion about DHCS's policy on crowns and if MCDAC wants to appeal to stakeholders to address the issue
- Discussion about appealing to the Board of Supervisors to get more operating room time for dentistry at community hospitals especially for the special needs population

13. 3:50 Other Items & Announcements

All

14. 4:00 Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4 pm.

Public comment may be given on any of the agenda items and before a vote.

Purpose: The purpose of the advisory committee is to provide oversight and guidance to improve Denti-Cal utilization rates, the delivery of oral health and dental care services, including prevention and education services, dental managed care and fee-for-service Medi-Cal Dental.

Authority: AB 1467 (Budget Committee), Effective July 1, 2012; Sacramento County BOS, Dec 11, 2012, Resolution No. 2012-0903 establishing a Sacramento County Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee & Resolution No. 2012-0904 appointing the initial membership to the Advisory Committee. For information about MCDAC, contact Jan Resler: 916-875-6259 or ReslerJ@saccounty.net