Louisiana Department of Health Informational Bulletin



To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

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Subject: <u>Informational Bulletin 23-20</u>: Update to Topical Fluoride Varnish Coverage for Dental Providers

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Update to Topical Fluoride Varnish Coverage for Dental Providers

AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana would like to make you aware that there has been an update to topical fluoride varnish coverage for dental providers.

Effective **November 1, 2023**, all beneficiaries enrolled in Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT); Adult Waiver; and Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) dental programs will be eligible to receive topical fluoride varnish in accordance with the Current Dental Technology (CDT) codes noted below.

Eligible CDT Codes and Requirements:
D1206: Topical Fluoride Varnish; Therapeutic Application for Moderate to High
Caries Risk Patients
D1208: Topical Application of Fluoride – Excluding Varnish

Application of topical fluoride varnish must be delivered in a single visit and involve the entire oral cavity and is not to be used for desensitization. Reimbursement of fluoride treatment is limited to either D1206 or D1208 once per six-month period for the same beneficiary. A combination of D1206 and D1208 are NOT reimbursable in the same six-month period.

Questions regarding claims should be directed to the appropriate dental benefit program manager:

- o DentaQuest Provider Relations: 1-800-508-6785
- MCNA Dental Provider Relations: 1-855-701-6262

Please review <u>IB 23-20</u> for full details.

Questions regarding this message should be directed to Kevin Guillory at Kevin.Guillory@la.gov.

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