

**UNOFFICIAL REPORT OF MAJOR ACTION
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON DENTAL BENEFIT PROGRAMS
May 13, 2021**

The Council on Dental Benefit Programs (CDBP) met on May 13, 2021, remotely via Zoom. Major actions are as follows:

1. The Council approved the Consent agenda.
2. The Council approved a new policy on **Elimination of Wait Periods** for submission to the 2021 House of Delegates.
3. The Council approved a proposed response to **Resolution 85 - Dental Benefits Information for ADA Members** to be submitted to the 2021 House of Delegates.
4. The Council approved, a proposed response to **Resolution 86 – Improved ADA Member Assistance with Third Party Payer Issues** to be reported to the 2021 House of Delegates.
5. The Council approved, a proposed response to **Resolution 105 – Policy on Inappropriate Recoupment Practices and a Revision to the policy titled Third-Party Payers Overpayment Recovery Practices** (Trans.1999:930, 2013:312)” to address the issue of recoupment practices to be submitted to the 2021 House of Delegates.
6. The Council approved a response in support of the Council on Government Affairs’ position regarding the following policies.
 - *Legislative Clarification for Medically Necessary Care (Trans.1988:474; 1996:686) (Supplement 1988:343) -- Retain*
 - *Dentists as Providers in All Public and Private Health Care Programs and Discrimination in Payment for Services Performed (Trans.1990:559) -- Retain*
 - *Elimination of Disparities in Coverage for Dental Procedures Provided Under Medicare (Trans.1993:705) -- Retain*
 - *Legislation Prohibiting Waiver of Patient Copayment/ Overbilling (Trans.1990:534) -- Rescind*
 - *Legislation Reflecting ADA Policy on Primary Dental Health Care Provider (Trans.1981:564; 1990:559) -- Retain*
7. The Council approved the update to the Medicaid RFP Toolkit.
8. The Council developed a draft policy on the ACA marketplaces and a Public Option for review by the Council on Government Affairs (CGA).
9. The Council developed draft policy on the use of Artificial Intelligence by third party payment program administrators and communicated the same to the Council on Dental Practice for inclusion within the “Comprehensive Policy on Artificial/Augmented Intelligence” that CDP proposes to submit to the 2021 House of Delegates.

10. The Council approved reactivating the Dental Claim Form Advisory Committee (DeCFAC) whose Chair and Vice-Chair will be CDBP members (for three-year terms), and with the following organizations be invited to participate: 1) National Association of Dental Plans; 2) Delta Dental Plans Association; 3) National Association of Insurance Commissioners; 4) Henry Schein One; 5) Patterson Dental; and 6) Change Healthcare.
11. The Council directed the Chair to seek approval from the Board of Trustees and the necessary funding to develop and implement CDT 2.0.
12. The Council selected, by acclamation, Dr. Keven Dens, Tenth District, to serve as Chair, Council on Dental Benefit Programs and Dr. Jessica Stillely-Mallah, Seventeenth District, to serve as Vice-Chair, Council on Dental Benefit Programs, until the close of the 2022 meeting of the ADA House of Delegates.

CDBP Members

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