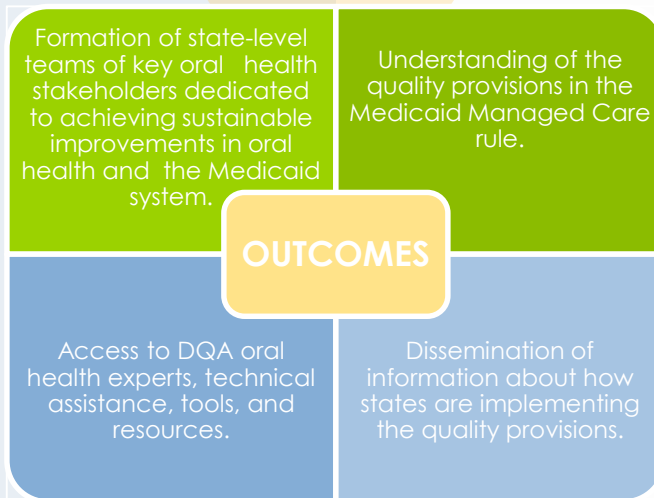


PURPOSE

The MeQILA is designed to capitalize on the synergy between the objectives of the CMS Medicaid Managed Care Rule and the mission of the Dental Quality Alliance by providing a clear opportunity to align activities to promote quality improvement for Medicaid beneficiaries.

Medicaid Quality Improvement Learning Academy (MeQILA)

MeQILA creates a mechanism that empowers states to achieve sustainable quality improvement in oral health through:



SYSTEM-WIDE IMPACT

Medicaid Programs will be empowered to establish state-wide managed care quality strategy for oral health and develop policy infrastructure to implement the strategy through managed care plans.

Managed Care Plans will be empowered to work collaboratively with states and EQROs to design and implement performance improvement projects that deliver sustainable improvement in the Medicaid system.

State Dental Associations will be empowered to provide input into the design of quality improvement projects and engage participating providers in quality improvement efforts.

EQROs will be empowered to apply expertise by using experience in assisting states with medical quality improvement and applying it to oral health.

State Oral Health Coalitions will be empowered to champion collaborative quality improvement efforts at the state and national levels.