

**UNOFFICIAL REPORT OF MAJOR ACTIONS
COUNCIL ON DENTAL BENEFIT PROGRAMS
May 5-6, 2022**

The Council on Dental Benefit Programs (CDBP) convened on May 5-6, 2022, at the ADA Headquarters. The following is a summary of major actions taken by the Council:

1. Approved the election of Drs. Jessica A. Stilley-Mallah for Chair and Stacey Gardner as Vice Chair to serve until the close of the 2023 meeting of the ADA House of Delegates.
2. Approved the guide titled "Assuring Accuracy of Claims as a Treating Dentist" for dissemination and a response to Resolution 93H be included in the Council's Annual Report.
3. Approved the recommendation to the HOD that the policy, Legislation to Require Dental Benefit Plans to Provide Dental Consultant Information (Trans.2010:546) be rescinded and the policy, Explanation of Benefits (EOB) Statement and Identification of Claims Reviewers (Trans.1995:610; 2015:243) be amended.
4. Approved that information regarding provider rating systems and the emerging trend to display ratings on provider directories be communicated to state dental association leadership and they be encouraged to speak with carriers locally to discuss these emerging trends.
5. Approved revising the definition of porcelain/ceramic published on the CDT manual's Classification of Materials page to read as follows:
Porcelain/ceramic
Refers to materials containing predominantly inorganic refractory compounds including porcelains, glasses, ceramics, and glass-ceramics.
6. Approved updates to the CDT Code Action Request "Submission and Evaluation Guidelines".
7. Approved development of a draft set of dental procedure code modifiers as recommended by the Enhanced CDT Code Task Force, and that the Task Force be reconvened after the draft is created to assess utility and implementation costs before making further recommendations regarding implementation plans and timeline.
8. Approved approaching the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services concerning development of guidelines on the use of ICD-10-CM codes on dental claims for inclusion in Chapter 11: Diseases of the Digestive System (K00-K95) published by CMS.
9. Approved that research be conducted to assist the Council in better understanding the implications of advocating for dental benefits to be classified as "Essential Health Benefit" under federal and state health policy; and the report be presented to the Council at its November 2022 meeting.

CDBP Members

Dr. Kevin W. Dens, chair, MN
Dr. Jessica A. Stille-Mallah, vice chair, FL
Dr. Roderick H. Adams, OH
Dr. J. Luke Andrew, New Dentist Member, CO (*not present*)
Dr. Adrian Carrington, CA
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