

**Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee**  
**Thursday, October 4, 2018**  
**2:00pm – 4:00pm**

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

**Sacramento First 5**

Community Room  
2750 Gateway Oaks Drive Ste.330  
Sacramento CA 95833

**Chair:** Terrence Jones, DDS  
**Vice-Chair:** Debra Payne, MSW

**AGENDA**

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| 1.  | 2:00 | Welcome & Introductions                                       | Terry Jones   |
| 2.  | 2:05 | Approve August 2, 2018 Meeting Minutes ( <b>Action Item</b> ) | Terry Jones   |
| 3.  | 2:10 | Update: Parent Experience with Blue Hills Dental Clinic       | Debra Payne   |
| 4.  | 2:30 | Brown Act Presentation: Sacramento County Counsel             | Rick Heyer    |
| 5.  | 3:10 | Follow-up Discussion: Patient/Parent Informed Consent         | Terry Jones   |
| 6.  | 3:20 | Medi-Cal Choice Packets                                       | Debra Payne   |
| 7.  | 3:35 | Dental Plan Updates   | Dental Plans  |
| 8.  | 3:40 | California Dental Association Update                          | Dharia McGrew |
| 9.  | 3:45 | Children Now Update   | Katie Andrew  |
| 10. | 3:50 | Every Smile Counts Update                                     | Debra Payne   |
| 11. | 3:55 | Agenda Items for December 6, 2018 MCDAC Meeting               | All           |
| 12. | 4:00 | Other Items & Announcements                                   | All           |

Next Meeting: **December 6, 2018 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

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

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## **Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee (MCDAC) Meeting Minutes—August 2, 2018**

**Meeting Date & Location:** August 2, 2018 -- 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
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### **Members Present:**

Katie Andrew; Melinda Anderson; Martha Cisneros, Julie Gallelo; Terrence Jones; Cathy Levering, Dharia McGrew; James Musser; Debra Payne; Jan Resler; Dorothy Seleski; Penelope Scott; Cynthia Vanzant; Mary Jess Wilson; and Griselda Zamora

### **Members Calling In:**

None

### **Members Excused:**

Henrietta Gutierrez; Olivia Kasirye; and Jonathan Porteus

### **Members Unexcused:**

None

### **Public Attendees:**

Robyn Alongi; Barbara Aved; Robin Blanks; Carolyn Brookins; Danielle Cannarozzi; Kris Clinton; Catherine Hale Henry; Tessa Hammer; Alani Jackson; Jennifer Jackson; Summer McKenna; Amanda Morgan; Gricelda Ocegueda; Steve Heath; Pedro Reyes; Lisa Rufo; Maritza Valencia; Brian Vu; and Mira Yang.

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### Public Attendees Calling In:

Carolyn Brookins; Edward Bynum; Gina Goodpaster; and Lorena Martinez.

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

- Welcome and introductions were made by all present.

#### 2. Approval April 5, 2018 Minutes (Action Item)

- The motion to approve the June 7, 2018, was made by Debra Payne, seconded by Jan Resler. Minutes were approved.

#### 3. Vote: New MCDAC Member Position (Action Item)

- The committee voted Steve Heath as the new Public Health Advisory Board Representative for MCDAC. The motion to approve was made by Debra Payne, seconded by Terry Jones. The item was unanimously approved.

#### 4. Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Update

Alani Jackson provided a personnel update and introduced Brian Vu. Alani reported Dr. Annie Shih left DHCS and the department is looking for her replacement. A dental hygiene consultant exam has been posted. Carolyn Brookins is now Alani's Assistant Division Chief.

##### a) [Dental Transformation Initiative](#)

- Domain 1—DHCS has issued \$93.2 million in incentive payments. The second payment was delayed but will go out late August. A total of \$5.8 million will be paid out by the end of the month. Domain 1 Re-baselining policies effective beginning in Program Year 3, will allow providers to establish a baseline of preventive services and to set a benchmark to receive incentive payments. There has been 7% increase in utilization since the pilot began.
- Domain 2—A total of \$3.2 million has been paid out to providers over the past two years. DHCS is planning to increase participation in this domain and may expand into other counties. MCDAC has requested information regarding Sacramento County's participation in Domain two. DHCS will return to the committee at a later date with information about Sacramento County's participation.

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- Domain 3—A total of \$21 million has been paid out over the past two years to providers.
  - Domain 4—13 local dental pilot projects have been funded instead of fifteen. Two programs were not funded. DHCS released the proposal template to reallocate the approximately \$6 million of funding saved by not funding those two LDPP's. Proposals are due Aug 31. \$8.97 million has been paid to LDPP's as of July 31, 2018.
- b). [Prop 56 update](#)
- The Governor's Budget proposed an extension of Prop.56 from FY 17/18 to FY 18/19 and to add \$70 million in funding, moving from \$140 million to \$210 million.
  - DHCS posted a list of codes for approval by CMS. The codes are color coded on the sheet for easy reference. There were 272 codes in FY 17/18, and 31 codes have been added for FY 18/19.
  - DHCS document posted identifies if the supplemental payment will be a percentage supplement payment or a flat dollar amount. The majority of the additional codes were informed by DHCS' annual rate review of the top 25 most utilized services; the corresponding supplemental amounts were also informed by the American Dental Association's 2016 Survey of Dental Fees.
  - General Anesthesia – achieves general anesthesia parity with the medical side of DHCS.
  - Dental Managed Care plans - Supplemental payments will continue until CMS approves the new directed payments amendment. Payments will be retroactive if/when CMS approves the amendment request.
  - Additional benefits receiving supplemental payments are: Preventive Services for adults, a few ortho codes including removal of orthodontic appliances, periodontal services, and additional time needed to provide dental care to special needs beneficiaries. DHCS proposed adding a 40% supplemental payment to the existing SMA of \$100.
  - DHCS has partnered with OSHPD to develop a student loan repayment plan for dental school graduates.

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- c). Dental Managed Performance Care Measures
- A 12-month federal and fiscal year statistics are posted on the DHCS website. The data for 2017 will be posted by the end of the year.
  - DHCS will offer several Open Data Portal Webinars to provide an overview on how to access data. Three webinars have been scheduled – July, August 8th and September 6th. Kris Clinton will forward webinar dates to MCDAC participants.
- d). Department of Managed Care Audits
- DHCS provided a link to where the audits are posted. Audits are done every three years.
- e). Network Adequacy
- Information and a Power Point presentation about network adequacy are posted on the DHCS website. The Plans have met or exceeded member ratios. All have capacity to serve more beneficiaries.
- 5. Statement on Trauma Informed Consent**
- Terry Jones drafted a letter on the importance of informed consent for the delivery of dental services. The committee suggested that the title should change to Patient/Parent Informed Consent and to clearly define the term informed consent in common language. In addition, members expressed concerns that the letter could be misinterpreted as a policy versus value statement. The committee suggested that the letter should add links to existing policies by the Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and the American Dental Association on informed consent.
  - Dharia MCGrew requested a presentation by County Counsel be provided to MCDAC to outline the scope of the advisory role and procedures.
  - A motion to place this item on the agenda as action item for next meeting was made by Terry Jones and seconded by Debra Payne. Staff will revise the document and contact County Counsel for review and guidance.

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### 6. Presentation: Sacramento County Oral Health Needs Assessment Survey Results

- Barbara Aved provided a presentation on the results of the Sacramento County Oral Health Needs Assessment (*please see attachment 1*). The report will be distributed to MCDAC participants later this year.

### 7. MCDAC Annual Letter to the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors: Update

- Debra Payne reported MCDAC's annual letter to the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors (BOS) has been placed on the August 7<sup>th</sup> agenda and there will not be a presentation. The letter will be shared with MCDAC once the BOS August 7<sup>th</sup> agenda has been posted for public review.

### 8. Dental Plan Updates

#### Access Dental Plan

- Martha Cisneros introduced Lisa Rufo.

#### Health Net Dental Plan

- Dorothy Seleski reported that Health Net is working on a new pilot program in Los Angeles County to increase adult Denti-Cal utilization. The same pilot may be replicated in Sacramento County.

#### Liberty Dental Plan

- Danielle Canarozzi has scheduled oral health presentations in adult schools in the San Juan and Twin Rivers School Districts. She is also providing presentations for mom groups and teen parent groups. In addition, Danielle is working with Alta Regional Center to provide oral health education and dental referrals for the adult special needs population.
- Melinda Anderson reported that Liberty Dental has added new providers and a child friendly general practice office that serves Syrian refugees.

### 9. California Dental Association

Dharia McGrew reported the following:

- The legislature was in recess during the month of July. The legislation session ends August 31<sup>st</sup>.

### 10. Children Now

Katie Andrew reported the following:

- The next Medical Dental Learning Collaborative is scheduled on Sept 7th at the Sierra Health Foundation from 9 – 12 pm.
- The next webinar with the Center for Oral Health will be on

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trauma informed care in the dental home.

- Assemblyman Jim Wood drafted and submitted a letter to DHCS regarding AB 2207 asking for a report on the provisions in the bill for Managed Health Care Plans and how they are tracking dental care services.

### **11. Every Smile Counts! Update**

Debra Payne reported the following:

- All three pilots are up and running.
- DHCS has announced that additional funding will be made available through a competitive application process to participating DTI Pilot Programs.

### **12. Agenda Items for October 4, 2018 MCDAC Meeting**

- Presentation by County Counsel
- Informed Trauma Consent Letter
- Review of Choice Health Care Packets

### **13. Announcements & Other Items**

- Cathy Levering announced that SDDS will provide continuing education units for dentists for the Medical Dental Partnership Webinars.

### **14. Next Meeting: October 4, 2018 -- 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

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## **Patient/Parent Informed Consent**

Dentists assume publicly-entrusted responsibilities founded on the principle of non-maleficence—first do no harm. Informed consent, a process whereby a patient/parent voluntarily agrees to a proposed treatment after a discussion of advantages, disadvantages and risks is one way dentists invoke patient trust and reduce the likelihood of harm.

Sacramento County’s Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee (MCDAC) underscores the importance that informed consent plays in the delivery of dental care, especially when providing care to children and individuals with special healthcare needs. Informed consent is an essential part of delivering dental care and must include a candid, open dialogue with the patient or legal guardian outlining the risks, benefits and alternatives of the proposed treatment including the use of protective stabilization, sedation, and/or general anesthesia. Policies established by professional dental organizations including, but not limited to, the [American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry](#) and the [American Dental Association](#), emphasize that “the dental team should be appropriately trained to use protective stabilization techniques, should consider each patient’s emotional and cognitive developmental level prior to treatment, and should be aware of potential adverse physical and psychological effects before using protective stabilization techniques” (American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, 2013). MCDAC supports and encourages these policies as a key component of the doctor-patient relationship, respecting a patient’s choice and adhering to community expectations of trauma-informed practices.

Dental care is a medical necessity that should be available and utilized by all families and individuals. Fear and past trauma have been identified as barriers for some individuals resulting in lower utilization of regular dental care, including preventive services. Behavior guidance techniques are essential to alleviate anxiety, deliver quality dental care, establish a trusting relationship, and foster a positive dental experience. Policies developed by professional dental organizations to address these concerns guide and are supported by MCDAC. In turn, MCDAC expects dental professionals and dental plans to embrace these policies.

MCDAC accepts that dental trauma can be an all-too-present reality experienced by individuals and families and supports Sacramento County’s efforts to implement trauma-informed policies and practices.

### **Protective Stabilization Policies**

American Dental Association

[https://www.ada.org/epubs/assets/ADA\\_Inside\\_Edition\\_papoose\\_board\\_statement\\_April\\_2012\\_FINAL.pdf](https://www.ada.org/epubs/assets/ADA_Inside_Edition_papoose_board_statement_April_2012_FINAL.pdf)


American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry

[http://www.aapd.org/media/policies\\_guidelines/g\\_protective.pdf](http://www.aapd.org/media/policies_guidelines/g_protective.pdf)



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**SACRAMENTO COUNTY  
ORAL HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT**




Prepared by Barbara Avedl Associates  
July 2016

**Needs Assessment Process, cont.**

**Primary data**

- Key informant interviews (n=18)
- Focus Groups x 5 (n=89)
- Surveys – response rates
  - GMC Dental Plans (n=1)
  - DDS (n=170)
  - RDH (n=48)
  - Community OH Survey (n=1,705)



**A Community-Driven Process\***

**Identified OH Needs for:**

- Increasing access to preventive and dental care services.
- Improving OH status of Sacramento County children and adults.

**OH Program Goal:**

- Expand capacity to coordinate public health activities that support OH education, disease prevention, surveillance and linkages to treatment.



\* Funded by Prop. 53 State OH Program


**Key Findings**

**Prevalence of Oral Disease**

- 25% - 37% of Sacramento preschool children screened showed evidence of untreated dental decay. (CDA 4B 1433 Pre-K, META, Sac City Unified Child Development Center, Smile Keepers)
- 45% Sacramento kids no follow-through with tx referral (Sac City Unified Child Development Center)
- 37.4% of Sacramento adults reported the condition of their teeth as excellent or very good → but only 13.4% of low-income adults said the same. (CHIS) (Note: adult prevalence data are extrapolated from national data sources.)

**Needs Assessment Process**

- Guided by a 21-member broad-based OH Advisory Committee.
- Previous research in Sac. County serves as a foundation; supports and is consistent with current findings.
- Data collection
  - **Secondary data**
    - Population-based (CHIS, OSHPD)
    - Denti-Cal GMC (CA DHCS)\*



\* From website and through DCA process only



**Key Findings**

**Protective Factors**

- 65% of Sacramento County currently has fluoridated drinking water. But, do they drink it?
- Fluoridating the San Juan Wholesaler and the City of Folsom – optimal water fluoridation to 90% of the county.

**Risk Factors**

- 24.3% kids age 0-18 drank 1-2 glasses or cans in the previous day (CHIS); 33% of parents said 3+ times/week in survey responses.
- 14.4% of adults currently smoke (higher than statewide); 24.4% of these smoke "every day" (CHIS).

## Key Findings

### Access Issues

- MCDAC's work with GMC Dental Plans and DHCS has identified problems and barriers and implemented policy measures to improve access and utilization.
- Many community dental clinics provide safety net dental care.
- Many local organizations supporting OHI efforts by providing direct services, outreach and referrals, advocacy and funding support.

### Access Issues

- Denti-Cal/GMC system is challenging that create access barriers.
- Dentals for general anesthesia by Anthem Blue Cross continues to present a barrier, a long-standing unresolved issue.
- Access to DHCS dental data still cumbersome, not timely and expensive, impeding planning.

## Key Findings: Child Utilization



### Annual Dental Visit - GMC Members

- 36.3% - 40.7% of children age 0-20 in GMC had an annual dental visit in 2016-17.

	Age 1-2	Age 3-5	Age 6-9	Age 10-14	Age 15-18	Age 19-20	Age 0-20
Access Health Net	20.0%	40.5%	47.2%	41.3%	34.0%	21.0%	36.3%
Liberty All Sac (GMC + FFS)	17.5%	41.7%	46.3%	40.2%	33.8%	23.0%	35.8%
Liberty All Sac (GMC + FFS)	18.8%	44.1%	49.3%	46.0%	42.2%	28.9%	40.7%
All Sac (GMC + FFS)	15.6%	39.4%	44.6%	39.7%	33.8%	20.7%	

Source: Department of Health Care Services, Medi-Cal Dental Services Division

## Key Findings



### Access Issues, cont.

- Better access for kids than adults through private DDS and community clinic network. Adults = cost of care (even with Denti-Cal) is #1 prohibitive barrier.
- GMC Plans' DDS networks - must meet State contractual requirements, though # of specialists still of concern.
- ED use for dental condition - suggests inadequate access.

	Age 0-5	Age 6-20	Age 21-64	Age 65+	All Ages
Preventable Oral as % of all Oral	26.3%	60.9%	80.4%	50.5%	72.4%

6,148 ED visits for preventable dental condition, 2016-17

## Key Findings: Child Utilization, cont.



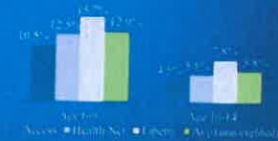
### Sealants

#### General Population

- IQHC WellSpace (2016)
  - >6-9 yrs = 71.9%
- Delta Dental (CA data)\*
  - >6-9 yrs = 23%
  - >10-14 yrs = 13%

#### Medi-Cal Population

- FFS (2015)
  - >6-9 yrs = 10.4%
  - >10-14 yrs = 4.7%
- GMC (2016-17)

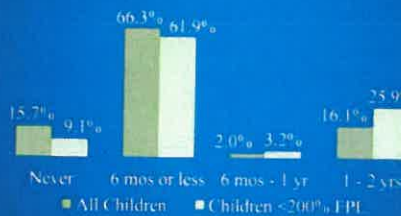


\*No county-specific data available

## Key Findings: Child Utilization



### Annual Dental Visit - All Sacramento Children

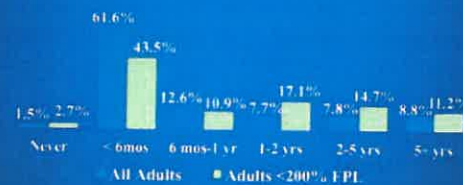


Source: 2016 California Health Information Survey

## Key Findings: Adult Utilization

### General Population

- Last Dental Visit



Source: 2016 California Health Information Survey

## Key Findings: Adult Utilization, cont.

### General Population

- Dental Visit During Pregnancy:



### Sacramento County Women with a Recent Live Birth, 2015-16

DDS Visit	Race/Ethnicity				Family Income			Health Insurance	
	Asian/PI	Black	Latina	White	0-100% FPL	101-200% FPL	>200% FPL	Medi-Cal	Private
37.1%	43.3%	27.0%	26.7%	41.7%	21.2%	37.7%	56.0%	21.7%	55.8%

Source: 1971, "Measuring and Improving Health Services of FDOCS Services"

## Community Input

### Dentist Survey



- 37% provide tobacco cessation counseling to all of their pts. who use tobacco products. For those who don't, 47% said "lack of resources" was the main reason.
- 25.6% of general DDSs do not see children until they are at least 3 years old.
- 35% used to take Denti-Cal or GMC but stopped; 80% stopped because of low reimbursement rates.

## Key Findings: Adult Utilization, cont.

### GMC Population

- Annual Dental Visit

FIS (CY 2016), GMC (FY 2016-17)



## Community Input, cont.

### Dentist Survey

- Provision of care to pregnant patients?



- Frequency of counseling with prenatal provider?



## Key Findings: Utilization, cont.

### Denti-Cal/GMC Annual Dental Visit by Zip Code\*

Children Age 0-20		Adults Age 21+	
27.1%	56.2%	10.2%	22.9%
zip code 95630 (Folsom)	zip code 95615 (primarily Courtland)	zip code 95690 (primarily Walnut Grove)	zip code 95655 (Rancho Cordova)

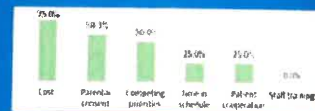
\* Based on 50 of 62 zip codes with available data.

Source: Department of Health Care Services, March 2018 (www.dhs.ca.gov) July 17, 2018

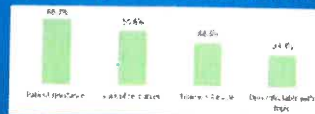
## Community Input, cont.

### RDH Survey

- Barriers to providing sealants?



- Barriers to providing tobacco cessation counseling?



## Community Input, cont.



### Key Informants

- Most frequent recommendation = integrate OH education messages with other efforts to address serious lack of OH knowledge.

### Focus Groups

- Nearly every participant—especially younger parents—was aware of “first tooth/first birthday” as the time for the first dental visit; the oldest participants were the least likely to know this.

## Community Input, cont.

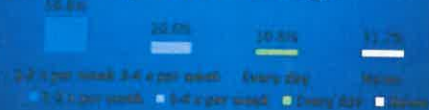


### Community OH Survey: Children

- Have sealants and FV? (of parent with Denti-Cal or GMC)



- Frequency of sugar-sweetened beverages?



## Community Input, cont.



### Community OH Survey: Adults

- ~ 25% have current dental problem.
- 32.8% sometimes avoid going to the DDS. Main reasons?
  - Cost (48% Spanish 34.7% English)
  - Fear of pain
  - Having had a bad past experience
- ~ 50% aware of relationship of OH and chronic health problems.
- ~ 92% know fluoride protects teeth prevents cavities



## AREAS FOR FUTURE FOCUS

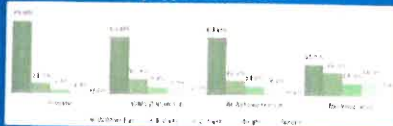
- ↑ **Parent education** among young children (e.g., preventive dental visits, dental sealants).
- Dental visits for **pregnant women**.
- Continued efforts for community **water fluoridation**.
- ↑ **government-funded** jobs in Denti-Cal and GMC, particularly specialists.
- ↓ **policy barriers** **comingling** in dental offices and other healthcare settings.
- **Integration** of OH in general health settings, and ↑ promotion by medical providers.
- ↓ **OH cases** for preventable dental conditions.
- Greater access to **general anesthesia** dentistry.
- Accessible **virtual** **aligned** **multidisciplinary** for program planning, advocacy and education.

## Community Input, cont.



### Community OH Survey: Adults

- Last dental visit by type of insurance



- Percent asked about OH by their MD



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**Members Calling In:**

None

**Members Excused:**

Cathy Levering and Cynthia Vanzant

**Members Unexcused:**

None

**Public Attendees:**

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Danielle Cannarozzi; Brian Kennedy; and Annie Shih

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### 2. Approval April 5, 2018 Minutes (Action Item)

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### 3. Vote: New MCDAC Member Position (Action Item)

- The committee voted Martha Cisneros as the new Dental Plan Representative for MCDAC. The motion to approve was made by Debra Payne, seconded by Terry Jones. The item was unanimously approved.

### 4. Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Update

Alani Jackson reported the following:

#### a) [March BDE Report](#)

- The March 20, 2018 report is available online. There were a total of 634 incoming requests; 581 were non-BDE related; 53 were scheduled for appointments and 37 cases were closed by the end of March. Approximately 90% of the cases were for adults and 3 % were for children. There were no requests to move to from Geographic Managed Care (GMC) to Fee for Service. The first quarter report will be published on Monday, June 11, 2018.

#### b) Dental Transformation Initiative Update

- Domain 1: As of May 11<sup>th</sup>, DHCS has issued \$93.2 million in incentive payments. The next payment will go out in July 2018. The data shows an increase of 7% for program Year 2.
- Domain 2: Payments to providers are issued weekly for FFS and monthly for Dental Managed Care (DMC). Approximately, \$2.7 million has been paid out to providers for Year 1 and Year 2. The domain 2 tool kit for providers is available online. Provider groups including Delta Dental are working to increase participation in this domain.
- Domain 3: The annual incentive payment will go out in June 2018.
- Domain 4: All fourteen contracts are expected to be executed by July 1, 2018. A total of \$4.8 million dollars was paid out to providers as of April 2018. CMS approved reallocating funds from the LDPP that declined funding to the 14 participating LDPP. Alani Jackson will follow up on the guidance to submit a request for additional funding and Sacramento County's opt in rate for Domain 2

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### c). Dental Managed Care All Plans Letter

- [APL 18-006](#): Modified Performance Measures (March 13, 2018)
- [APL 18-008](#): Language Access Services (May 1, 2018)
- [APL 18-010](#): Prop 56 Directed Payment Expenditures (May 16, 2018)

### d). Prop. 56

- A total of \$178 million has been paid to FFS providers through the month of May 2018.
- The Governor's Budget proposed an extension of Prop.56 from FY 17/18 to FY 18/19 and to add \$70 million in funding, moving from \$140 million to \$210 million.
- DHCS has proposed adding a code to pay for additional time needed to provide dental care for special needs beneficiaries. DHCS proposes adding a 40% supplemental payment to the existing SMA of \$100.
- There has been no increase in specialist provider participation despite the incentive payments.
- DHCS Prop. 56 payments depend upon federal approval for the matched funding; CMS approval is pending SPA submission. The FY 17/18 reimbursement fees are still in place but may change slightly for FY 18/19.

### e). The DMC report card will be published soon. DHCS will share the link with MCDAC as soon as it becomes available.

## 5. MCDAC Annual Report to the Board of Supervisors

- Debra Payne reported that the Annual Update to the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors has been postponed due to budget hearings. The letter will be presented to the board in July or August 2018.

## 6. Strategic Planning Workgroup

- Meeting participants discussed the idea of developing a strategic plan. Dr. Kasirye reported that Public Health can provide county staff to help facilitate a meeting if desired however, there are no funds available to hire an outside facilitator.
- Members suggested re-visiting this agenda item after Barbara Aved provides the results of the Prop.56 Needs Assessment Survey. This agenda item has been scheduled for the October 2018 meeting.

## 7. Protective Stabilization

- Participants discussed the components of protective stabilization. The committee determined that MCDAC cannot establish a policy on the subject. MCDAC promotes parent education and informed parental consent. MCDAC will continue to bring issues related to protective stabilization to the dental plans attention.

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### 8. Dental Plan Update

#### Access Dental

- Martha Cisneros announced that the payments for Prop. 56 are now being issued to dental providers.

#### Liberty Dental

- Melinda Anderson reported that Liberty Dental has begun providing trainings at nine Family Resource Centers and have received positive feedback.
- Danielle Cannarozzi mentioned several summer activities geared for youth:
  1. Lunch at the Library (Sponsored by Dr. Pan) June-August 3rd.
  2. Walking with Friends, San Juan Unified, Thursday 1:30-3:30 p.m.
  3. Summer Night Lights, Thursday and Friday evenings from 7 - 10:00 p.m. The program is for youth attending school and/or living in the Mack Road/Valley High neighborhood -- 95823 zip code. For more information about this program, please contact [SSNLjobs@mackroadpartnership.com](mailto:SSNLjobs@mackroadpartnership.com).

#### Health Net

- Dorothy Seleski introduced Felisha Fondren as the new Dental Operations Manager for Health Net.

### 9. California Dental Association

Dharia McGrew reported the following:

- The Governor's budget negotiations will be finalized by mid-June. The proposed budget provides significant investment in the Medi-Cal Dental Program program. The proposed \$210 million in the state funds can be matched with federal funds bringing the total Denti-Cal investment to \$600 million.
- SB 1008 (Senator Skinner) seeks to establish a dental loss ratio and provide more transparency to consumers by requiring plans to state how much of consumer's premium dollars goes towards patient care as opposed to administrative/operating costs. This bill is sponsored by CDA. Update: This bill has passed out of the senate.
- SB 1148 (Senator Pan) would add Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF) as a Denti-Cal benefit when used as a caries arresting agent (with informed consent and as part of a patient's comprehensive treatment plan). This bill is sponsored by CDA. Update: The bill passed the Senate and is waiting in the Assembly.
- AB 2643 (Assembly Member Irwin) proposed to require that health plans cover general anesthesia provided in a dental office for some populations (children under 7 and people with disabilities that require GA for the provision of dental care. This bill died.
- SB 1464 (Senator Wiener) seeks to improve access to care for individuals with special needs by providing a Denti-Cal benefits for behavior management and/or the case management necessary to provide dental services to this population.



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CDA supports this bill in concept and is working with the author on amendments to achieve the author's intent.

- SB 1287 (Senator Hernandez) seeks to revise the definition of “medically necessary” for children in Medi-Cal under 21 years of age to incorporate the Federal definition of medical necessity used in early periodic screening diagnosis and treatment (EPSDT). This is aimed at, among other things, increasing access to orthodontia in Denti-Cal. Many Denti-Cal orthodontists are not aware of their right to appeal a declined Treatment Authorization Request under the EPSDT review process. CDA is generally supportive of the effort to increase access and is working with the author and sponsor to craft language to accurately achieve the goal.

### 10. Children Now Update

Katie Andrew reported the following:

- Children Now will host the first Medical Dental Partnership Learning Collaborative at the California Endowment on June 29<sup>th</sup> from 1 - 4:00 p.m.
- Children Now will help to implement AB 2207 to ensure medical plans understand their responsibility to ensure care coordination between physicians and dentists. A tracking mechanism will be developed by Children Now to measure the success of care coordination between physicians and dentists.

### 11. Every Smile Counts! Update

Debra Payne reported the following:

- The Interim Therapeutic Restoration trainings will be completed by all VDH providers by the end of June.
- River City Medical Group will begin implementing the Medical Dental Partnership Pilot in July.
- The Community Outreach Parent Education Pilot has developed outreach material to promote the Every Smile Counts website.

### 12. Sacramento Covered Presentation

- The presentation was rescheduled for the August 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting due to time constraints.

### 13. Announcements & Other Items

- Sacramento Covered is hosting an event on June 12<sup>th</sup> at the Fruitridge Collaborative
- First 5 Sacramento has funded Early Smiles to provide dental screenings and fluoride varnish to children 0 to 5 years of age at Head Starts and State funded pre-schools. The contract period began May 15, 2018 and will continue through June 30, 2021.

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- Early Smiles will hold their Advisory Committee Meeting on June 14<sup>th</sup> from 10 - 12:00 p.m. in the First 5 Community Room. For more information about the meeting, please contact Rachel Schafer at RShafer@tc4oh.org.
- The Galt WellSpace Children’s Dental Clinic is now open and treating patients.

### **14. Agenda Items for August 2, 2018 MCDAC Meeting**

- Prop. 56 Needs Assessment Survey Findings
- Send August agenda items to Kris Clinton by July 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting: August 2, 2018** -- 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

First 5 Conference Room -- 2750 Gateway Oaks Suite 330, Sacramento CA 95833.

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