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Dear Provider(s):

As previously shared, an **across-the-board rate increase and a targeted rate increase were approved** for the Colorado Medicaid dental fee schedule by the Legislature and signed by the Governor as part of the 2015-2016 state budget process. The dental program received federal approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the **increases will be effective and implemented on July 1**, 2015.

The Medicaid dental fee schedule is currently published on the DentaQuest Colorado Provider website and portal. The dental program still encourages dental providers to check their billing procedures to ensure they are billing at their Usual and Customary Rates (UCR), or at minimum, using the increased rates on the dental fee schedule for all services rendered on or after July 1, 2015. Billing at or above the increased rates enables DentaQuest to apply the increases to pay the providers accordingly without any additional action required on the part of the provider. Please update your fee schedules immediately to reflect the new rates, so no manual reprocessing efforts will be necessary.

**DentaQuest welcomes the Colorado Medicaid DIDD Waivers Program**. DIDD refers to Division of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities and DentaQuest will begin processing all prior authorization requests and claims for services rendered on or after July 1, 2015 for this group on Wednesday, July 1, 2015.

**Timely filing** for the Colorado Medicaid Dental Program claim submission is **120 days from the date of service.** For dental services, the timely filing calculation is from the date of each service (line item). For further details on timely filing, please review the DentaQuest Office Reference Manual (ORM).

Please look for **ORM revisions this week.** The **ORM Change Log** can be located in between the Narrative and Benefits Tables in the ORM.

Sincerely,

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