

Join the NH Policy Conversation "#Why Oral Health Matters: It's All Connected

DATE: April 4, 2019
TIME: 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Ordway Hall

Saint Paul's Episcopal Church
across from the State House



The NH Oral Health Coalition (NHOHC) invites you to join a conversation on why an integrated health delivery model that unlocks the door for the inclusion of managed oral health and dental services into the Medicaid program, protects our current financial investment in Medicaid medical care.

Participants will gain knowledge and understanding of:

1. Current Medicaid Adult Dental Environment across the US
2. Current Medicaid Adult Dental Environment in Region 1-New England
3. Emerging Administrative models for an adult dental benefit:

Traditional Fee for Service (FFS) Model versus...

- Managed Care/Accountable Care
- Carve -In
- Carve-Out
- Risk Levels
- Value versus Volume
- Setting a budget: Cost Levers
- Reimbursement models: FFS/PM-PM; Pay for Performance; Provider and Beneficiary Incentives
- Comprehensive benefit versus limited: critical benefits/top 30 most common
- Actuarial projections



Mary Foley, Executive Director of MSDA (Medicaid, Medicare, CHIP Services Dental Association). Since joining MSDA, Ms. Foley has been instrumental in broadening national and state-level stakeholder collaboration, raising awareness about the importance of oral health, and advancing state program policy and protocols to improve health and health care and reduce costs for Medicaid programs and their beneficiaries. Ms. Foley served as Dean of the Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene at MCPHS University



Patrick Finnerty, Consultant and Senior Advisor for State Oral Health Programs with the DentaQuest Partnership for Oral Health Advancement for a discussion on how oral health affects overall health and the associated costs. Mr. Finnerty has a long history with states and public health programs and offers a unique appreciation of the challenges they face. He is the former Medicaid Director for Virginia, managed the Virginia state employee health benefits program, and directed a legislative health policy commission. He holds Master of Public Administration and B.S. degrees from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Statewide and across the lifespan, NHOHC is the only in-state group of organizations, agencies, and individuals, focused solely on the status and impact of oral health issues facing New Hampshire. Representative of those involved in oral health provision, planning, policy-making, and funding, including the dental and medical communities, the legislature, educational programs, advocacy groups, insurance providers, state agency leaders, and private funders.

We are putting the “mouth back into the body” with a focus on its relationship to overall health, productivity and responsible management of health care resources.

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