

Alabama Medicaid Dental Task Force Meeting
Friday, May 19, 2017
1:00 PM

Members present: Danny Rush, Stephen Mitchell, Ric Simpson, Zack Studstill, Dwight Williams, James Murphree, Sherry Goode, and Dave White

Medicaid members/staff present: Beverly Churchwell, Drew Nelson, Beth Huckabee, and Calvin Binion

Others in attendance: Stuart Lockwood

Welcome and Introduction: Beverly Churchwell welcomed members to the meeting and moved forward with roll call of the Dental Task Force members and everyone introduced themselves.

Purpose: Beverly stated the purpose of this meeting is to make members mindful of the letter from Governor Ivey to Commissioner Azar regarding the Dental Program. Regular dental issues will be discussed during the next scheduled DTF meeting in June 2017.

Commissioner Azar asked me to have this meeting to make sure DTF members stay informed about Medicaid's two track process that we will follow in regards to our dental program.

1. Medicaid will work with the ALDA to answer reasonable requests for information on usage and cost of dental procedures provided to children and youth, or other information required to make accurate cost estimates. Medicaid will provide data so ALDA can put together their proposal by July 30, 2017.
2. Issue an RFP for dental managed care and receive proposals. We cannot discuss details of the RFP today.

This does not mean that Medicaid will go dental managed care.

Medicaid has the ultimate goal to derive as much savings as possible in FY 2018 which begins this October 2017.

We will not be able to give answers to questions.

If someone has a question, please ask and we can take back to leadership and get answers back out to the DTF.

Beth added the next quarterly meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2017.

Meeting adjourned.