

DHCS Responses to Follow-Up Items from January 31, 2018

Updates Pertaining to Dental

At previous meetings, several members inquired about a list of Fee-For-Service (FFS) dental providers and an update on the Dental Transformation Initiative (DTI) annual report.

DHCS Follow-Up

The [FFS dental providers](#) dataset is now available on the Open Data Portal. The dataset provides basic information about FFS providers enrolled in the Medi-Cal Dental program and Safety Net Clinics who provide dental services.

The [DTI Program Year 1 final report for January – December 2016](#) was recently published on DHCS' website. On December 22, 2017, the report was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), and is still pending CMS' final review and approval.

Trauma Screening

Marc Lerner, M.D.: Can you tell me the (childhood trauma) screeners that DHCS is promoting and accepting? Does DHCS recommend the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) periodicity schedule? Would the Survey of Well-being of Young Children (SWYC) be acceptable for use and billing with DHCS clients in California?

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DHCS' contracts with its managed care health plans (MCPs) require the MCPs to provide children's preventive health services according to the most recent AAP [periodicity schedule](#), which is DHCS' recommended schedule. The AAP does not approve/endorse any specific tool for developmental screening purposes, though they provide a non-exhaustive list of standardized tools via a link on the periodicity schedule. Since the AAP does not specify particular tools, if the [SWYC tool](#) is evidence based, it would meet DHCS' criteria.

The Staying Healthy Assessment (SHA) is DHCS' version of the Individual Health Education Behavioral Assessment (IHEBA). DHCS is currently updating the SHA. Per Contract and APL, MCPs must ensure providers complete an IHEBA as part of the Initial Health Assessment (IHA) and subsequently at certain age-specific intervals. MCPs and providers are encouraged to use the SHA but can develop and use their own IHEBA with DHCS approval. Additional information on the SHA, as well as each of the age-specific assessments, can be found at this link:

<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/forms/Pages/StayingHealthy.aspx>