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ATTENTION: South Dakota Medicaid Dental Providers

FROM: South Medicaid

RE: Changes to Silver Diamine Fluoride (D1354) Criteria

SD Medicaid recognizes the increased value of Silver Diamine Fluoride as a preventive measure right now as the American Dental Association is urging dental offices to treat only emergency patients. As such, SD Medicaid has made two important changes to coverage of Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF) (CDT Code D1354):

- Reimbursement is no longer limited to the first four teeth noted on the claim form, and
- Reimbursement for restorations done within one year of application of SDF will be reduced by the amount the provider was reimbursed for the application of SDF.

Complete SD Medicaid criteria for D1354:

- Service allowed for children or adults.
- Allowed for primary and permanent teeth.
- An application consists of all teeth diagnoses/treated on a date of service.
- Provider must identify all teeth treated on the claim.
- Allowed a maximum of two applications per year, per patient.
- Application should be done on same date of service as dental exam and diagnoses of caries.
- Allowed a maximum of four treatments per tooth, per patient, per lifetime.
- Future restoration is only allowed if medically necessary and a covered South Dakota Medicaid benefit. Teeth requiring restoration prior to one year after application of Silver Diamine Fluoride will require predetermination.
- Reimbursement for the restoration will be reduced by the amount the provider was reimbursed for the application of SDF.
- Signed informed consent is strongly encouraged. An example for use can be found at: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4778976/figure/F4/.

D1354 is currently reimbursed at a rate of \$12.79 per tooth.

Questions can be directed to Delta Dental of SD at sdmedicaid@deltadentalsd.com or 1-877-841-1478.

Sincerely, South Dakota Medicaid

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