

Moving Forward

DentaQuest Goals and Targets Worksheets

Include an Adult Dental Benefit in Publicly Funded Health Coverage (Medicare)

List 2-3 Goals needed to accomplish this target in 2016/2017	Identify key organizations (hubs) currently working in this target area	List the 2 highest leverage actions to be taken statewide and by your organization, to move the action and coordinate efforts in each target area
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Expand cutout minimal benefit to include <u>preventive</u> services to <u>all</u> who have Medicare. 2. Begin work to expand to broader dental care coverage (periodontics, operative/restorative dental care, endodontics, prosthodontics, oral surgery) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Senator Bernie Sanders' 2015 bill (defeated) and 2016 bill to come (national effort) 2. CMS dental director is exploring the issue. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Saunders to continue to work with Sen. Sanders' office to help write the legislation. 2. Dr. Saunders will get the <i>Eldercare Workforce Alliance (national organization)</i> to support the bill(s) (Medicare, etc.) 3. Lori Cofano to maintain contact with CMS dental director to keep us informed 4. TxOHC to support the bill(s). 5. TSHL to support the bills.