

PROGRAM POLICY - ICF/ID-H

Dental Services

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- 1 It will be the responsibility of the ICF/ID-H to ensure (but not fund) dental treatment services are provided for each person who resides in a health licensed home operated by OPTIONS. When funding is not available, OPTIONS will work with the person served, Regional Center and family, when applicable, to develop a treatment plan.
 - 1.1 A dentist will perform a complete extra-oral and intra-oral examination, incorporating the use of standard diagnostic aids, to evaluate each person's dental status. These exams will be performed no later than thirty days after admission, unless the admitting record contains dental exam results completed no more than twelve months prior to admission. In some instances, an examination with a new dental provider may not be available within 30 days of admission. In such cases, an appointment will be made within 30 days of admission for the next available appointment.
 - 1.2 A dentist will perform examinations and diagnoses for each person at least once annually and more often as needed, including x-rays, review of examination results, and entry of results in the supported person's dental record.
 - 1.3 A dentist will provide a summary of dental care, treatment and care recommendations/instructions to the ICF/ID-H for follow-up by staff. This information will be placed in the record of the person served.
 - 1.4 It is the responsibility of the ICF/ID-H to arrange for transportation of persons to and from the dentist's office unless the person is referred to a specialist more than 25 miles away.
 - 1.5 ICF/ID-H staff will assist each person in carrying out the dentist's instructions.

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