

To: AmeriHealth Caritas Pennsylvania Dental Providers

Date: October 22, 2025

Re: Adoption of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry's (AAPD) Periodicity Schedule

Important note: The AAPD Periodicity Schedule will replace the current periodicity schedule published in the current Dental Provider Manual Supplement. This notice is for informational purposes only and will not affect benefits or claims adjudication.

The Department of Human Services (DHS) issued Medical Assistance Bulletin (MAB) 27-25-42, Adoption of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry's (AAPD) Dental Periodicity Schedule, that incorporates updated pediatric dental guidelines related to children's access to dental services that conforms to nationally recognized standards.

Effective October 1, 2025, dental providers are to refer to the AAPD's dental periodicity schedule titled, "Recommended Dental Periodicity Schedule for Pediatric Oral Health Assessment, Preventive Services, and Anticipatory Guidance/Counseling", as a guideline for providing pediatric oral health care. The Department continues to support the AAPD's recommendations regarding the establishment of a pediatric dental home and provides guidance on preventive dental care to Medical Assistance (MA) beneficiaries under 21 years of age.

To review MAB 27-25-42 in its entirety, including the list of updates made to the Dental Fee Schedule, please visit our website at www.amerihealthcaritaspa.com → Providers → Resources → Dental program → Dental Medical Assistance Bulletins.

Thank you for your participation in our network and your continued commitment to the care of our Members. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact your Dental Account Executive.