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MEMORANDUM

DENTAL M09-02

TO: Dental Providers and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)

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SUBJECT: UPDATED NEIGHBOR ISLAND FEE SCHEDULE

Information:

This memorandum is to notify dental providers participating in the Hawaii State Medicaid Program of the implementation of the Updated Neighbor Island (NI) Dental Fee Schedule effective July 1, 2008. To access the Updated NI Dental Fee Schedule, please refer to the Med-QUEST website: <http://www.med-quest.us>.

The Updated NI Dental Fee Schedule now incorporates the appropriate dental codes for child and adult prophylaxis (D1110 and D1120), and child and adult topical fluoride applications (D1203 and D1204). In addition, it provides greater detail regarding dental procedures and the applicable tooth differential range.

NI Fee Schedule Payment Adjustments:

Providers re-submitting a claim for NI rate adjustments for additional payments are required to abide by the following guidelines:

1. Requires re-submittal using a "hard copy claim" with all required information such as MODTN, code 525.9, and teeth numbers in the appropriate field, etc.
2. Must re-submit claim with the new NI rate for each procedure [as the minimum dollar] for Cyrca to pay the additional amounts, based on the NI Fee Schedule.

3. Note on the claim form that this is a re-submitted claim. Preferable in the upper right corner of the claim form (ADA 2006) as it will be easier to spot during the mail process.
4. Refer to the NI Fee Schedule for procedure codes affected by reimbursement rate increases.

Cyrca is tracking claims for procedure codes that are not affected by the NI Fee Schedule. NI rate adjustments are retroactive for dental services using the Updated NI Dental Fee Schedule provided as of July 1, 2008.

If there are any questions, please contact Ms. Lydia Hemmings of the Clinical Standards Office at (808) 692-8121.