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HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Electronic Billing for Dentists

p. 721, line 10

§ 1376m

Motion:

Move to provide that if DHFS requires dentists to use specified equipment to receive MA reimbursement, DHFS shall pursue available federal MA administrative funds to support these costs and direct DHFS to reimburse dentists and amount equal to the available federal match.

*needed for electronic verification of eligibility*

*CR,  
49.45 (3) (b)*

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Note:

Certain MA administrative costs, such as the costs of activities relating to provider billing, are eligible for reimbursement under the MA program.

This motion would require DHFS to seek reimbursement for equipment costs dentists incur to comply with DHFS billing requirements and, if such funding is available, to reimburse dentists for the eligible federal share of these costs.



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