

REMINDER: Dental Sealants

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Dear provider,

Health Choice Arizona and AHCCCS strongly encourage the use of dental sealants as a major strategy in preventive dentistry. Provider performance is monitored for compliance with this quality measure. We ask our providers to place sealants on permanent first and second molars that exhibit no history of decay or restoration.

Upon the eruption of the first permanent molars, around the ages of 6 to 7 years and the second permanent molars around ages 12 to 13 years, sealants should be placed for those children at moderate to high risk for dental caries.

Health Choice covers dental sealants (D1351) for members 5 to 15 years of age.

Dental sealants for first and second molars are covered twice per first or second molar, per provider/location, allowing for three years intervention between applications up to 15 years of age. **Prior authorization is not required.**

Thank you for your continued commitment to serving our members and providing quality care and services.

If you have any questions please reach out to your Network Services Provider Performance Representative, or contact us at 1-800-322-8670.

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