



# ALTCS Dental Update

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# Who's Covered

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- Elderly, Physically disabled and Developmentally disabled members
- 21 years and older
- At risk for institutional level of care

# Coverage

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- The ALTCS benefit will include all AHCCCS covered services up to \$1000/year
- Coverage will begin and align with the new contract year (10/1/16 - 9/30/17)
- Services provided in IHS/638 facilities are also subject to the \$1000/year limit
- ALTCS members receiving services that fall into the exception for transplant and cancer cases as outlined in 310-D would **not** count towards the \$1000 limit.
- Any unused benefits will **not** roll over to the next year

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- Coverage will be member specific and remains with the member if he or she transfers between MCO's or between Fee-for-Service and managed care.
- It is the responsibility of the ALTCS Contractor or Tribal ALTCS Case Manager transferring the member to notify the receiving entity the current balance of the dental benefit.

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- Frequency limitations and services that require prior authorization still apply
- Dentures will be covered under ALTCS
- General Anesthesia (GA) will be covered under ALTCS and count towards the \$1000 limit
  - ❑ Dentists performing GA on ALTCS members will bill dental codes and the cost will count towards the \$1000 limit.
  - ❑ If GA is performed by a physician for a patient undergoing a dental procedure it will count towards the \$1000 limit and be billed through medical.

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- If services provided in an Ambulatory Service Center or an Outpatient Hospital require anesthesia [under the ALTCS dental benefit] then the facility and anesthesia charges are subject to the \$1000 limit.

# Billing of ALTCS Members

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Members can be billed for any covered services that exceed the \$1000/year limit as long as they are notified by the provider ahead of time and agree to pay for such services in writing.

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- The provider must supply the member with a document describing the services and the cost of the services
- Prior to delivery of the service the member must sign and date a document indicating he or she will be responsible for the cost of the services to the extent that it exceeds the \$1000 limit
- This includes tribal members



# Reimbursement Rates

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- The ALTCS benefit will be subject to the Dental FFS Rates and Codes

# Contact Information

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