Quality Quick Tips

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Oral Health

As many as 90% of common diseases have oral symptoms and can be detected by a Dentist during a routine exam. More than 120 symptoms of nondental disease can be detected through a routine oral exam. Some health conditions, such as diabetes, pregnancy, medications, and eating disorders, can impact the patient's oral health. It's important to encourage your patients to obtain routine oral health care to improve and maintain their overall health.

Who has Dental Coverage?

- Healthy Michigan Plan McLaren Health Plan's Healthy Michigan Plan members have dental coverage through Delta Dental at no out of pocket cost.
- Healthy Kids Dental McLaren Health Plan's Medicaid members under the age of 21 qualify for Healthy Kids Dental through MDHHS.
- Pregnant Women's Dental McLaren Health Plan's pregnant members have dental coverage through Delta Dental during their entire pregnancy and an extended 12 months post-partum at no out of pocket cost.

Many other plans have dental coverage through another vendor, still encourage your patients to see a dentist twice a year and check their benefits with their insurance.

What's covered? Below is a listing some, but not all, of the covered dental services:

• Oral exams

Extractions

Teeth cleaningsFillings

- X-rays
- Screenings and Assessments
- Crowns

Oral health may contribute to various diseases such as endocarditis, cardiovascular disease, pneumonia, and pregnancy and birth complications. Oral health can be a window into ones overall health.

Emergency treatment

Remember to talk to your patients about smoking cessation. MHP has a free stop smoking program for MHP Community and Medicaid members, call (800) 784-8669 for more information.

Thank you for the quality care you deliver!

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