

Iowa Medicaid Provider and Member Townhall

November 16, 2023

Background of Dental RFP



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Contracts currently open to any carrier with:

- Ability to meet contractual requirements
- Meet readiness review (network, system administration, etc.)



Goals

Procure the most qualified dental plans to:

- Demonstrate innovation in payment structures and referrals systems
- Deliver high quality services
- Coordinate care and provide quality outcomes for Dental Wellness Plan (DWP) and Hawki enrollees



Program Outcomes

Increase member choice
Increase access to dental
services

Align all managed care contracts requirements, oversight and accountability
Stability for members and

providers



- HHS held an RFP Listening Session
 March 8, 2023 @ 3:00 4:00
- Stakeholder platform to share feedback during RFP development

Recording is posted online on HHS website

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Dental RFP Timeline



HHS Released the Dental RFP (MED-24-004) on May 18, 2023

Procurement Website:

 https://hhs.iowa.gov/about/contracts-andprocurements



On November 14, 2023, HHS Released the Notice of Intent to Award to two Bidders.

Delta Dental of Iowa

DentaQuest USA Insurance Company

Implementation Timeline

Dental PAHP onboarding to begin.

Dental PAHP readiness review.

Dental PAHP operations to begin

Fall 2023

Spring 2024

July 1, 2024

What is Next?

Over the next year, lowa Medicaid staff will work closely with the dental plans as they work to begin their operations in lowa.

There are no immediate changes for lowa Medicaid dental members.

lowa Medicaid will ensure that members and dental providers are aware of any changes throughout the implementation.