Description of Dental Benefits Provided Under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
State: Colorado

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The following information will identify the general categories of services available in your State. Please note that while a service may be available, you must consult with your dental provider to ensure that the service is medically necessary for your specific condition. For more specific information, please contact your State program.

State Contact: Child Health Plan Plus
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Medicaid Program

☐ Under the Medicaid State Plan dental benefits are provided to eligible individuals under the age of 21 in compliance with the requirements of Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) services.
State Program Name:

CHIP Program

☐ CHIP Medicaid Expansion Program ONLY, i.e., offering complete oral health services under Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT)
State Program Name:

X☐ CHIP Stand-Alone/Separate Program ONLY
State Program Name: Child Health Plan Plus

- X☐ Dental Services Provided through State-defined benefit package
- ☐ Benchmark Equivalent Program:
  Name of :
- ☐ Optional Supplemental Dental Coverage for CHIP eligible children with private or group insurance

☐ CHIP Medicaid Expansion and Stand-Alone Program (dental services are as described above)
State Program Name:

If providing dental benefits other than as defined by EPSDT, States must complete the following:

CHIP Stand-Alone Program Dental Benefits

NOTE: Please identify any limits or other criteria using terms commonly recognized by individuals without extensive oral health terminology knowledge rather than using technical dental terminology. For example, use molar rather than posterior, or front versus anterior.

Schedule of Services

☐ State EPSDT definition
OR

X☐ Nationally Recognized Standard
Name and Description: **American Dental Association CDT Codes**

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Recommended Age for First Oral Health Examination: One year of age

Preventive Services:

X☐ Cleanings
- a. Recommended frequency: One in a 12 month period
- b. Exceptions:

X☐ Fluoride treatments
- a. Ages: End of the month age 19
- b. Recommended frequency: Two in a 12 month period
- c. Also provided by physicians: ☐
- d. Also provided by hygienists: X☐ in our pilot program
- e. Exceptions:

X☐ Sealants
- a. Ages: End of the month age 19
- b. Recommended frequency: One in 36 months
- c. Exceptions: Only to permanent molar teeth, no cavities or fillings

☐ Oral hygiene instruction
- a. Ages:
- b. Recommended frequency:

X☐ Space Maintainers
- a. Limits: Benefit only for premature loss of baby back teeth
- b. Prior approval required: Y/N No

Diagnostic Services:

X☐ Dental Examinations by Dentists
- a. Recommended age of first visit: One year of age
- b. Recommended frequency: Two in a 12 month period
- c. Limits:

☐ Dental Screens and Other Services by Hygienists
- a. Recommended frequency:
- b. Limits:

X☐ X-Rays
- a. Limits: One in a 12 month period; complete mouth series one in 60 months

Treatment Services:

X☐ Fillings
1. Silver amalgam: X☐
   - a. Limits: one per tooth in 24 months
2. Tooth colored composite: X☐ one per tooth in 24 months on back teeth only
   - a. Limits:

X☐ Crowns/Tooth Caps
1. Stainless steel crowns: X☐
   - a. Limits: one per tooth in 24 months
   - b. Prior approval required: X☐ Recommended, but not required
2. Metal (only) crowns ☐
   - a. Limits:
   - b. Prior approval required: ☐
3. Metal/Porcelain crowns: ☐
   - a. Limits:

b. Prior approval required: ☐ Porcelain (only): ☐
a. Limits:
b. Prior approval required: ☐

X☐ Root Canals (endodontics)

1. Root canals on baby teeth (Pulpotomies): X☐
   a. Limits: One per tooth in 24 months
   b. Prior approval required: X☐ Recommended, but not required

2. Root canals on permanent teeth: X☐
   a. Limits: One per tooth in 24 months
   b. Prior approval required: X☐ Recommended, but not required

☐ Gum (periodontal) Therapy
   a. Limits:
   b. Prior approval required: ☐

☐ Dentures
   1. Partial dentures: ☐
      a. Prior approval required: ☐
   2. Complete dentures: ☐
      a. Prior approval required: ☐

☐ Retainers (orthodontic)
   a. Limits:

☐ Bridges
   a. Limits:
   b. Prior approval required: ☐

☐ Implants:
   a. Criteria:

X☐ Oral Surgery

1. Simple extractions: X☐
   a. Limits: One per tooth per lifetime
   b. Prior approval required: ☐ Recommended, but not required
2. Surgical extractions: X☐
   a. Limits: One per tooth per lifetime
   b. Prior approval required: ☐ Recommended, but not required
3. Care of abscesses: ☐
   a. Limits:
   b. Prior approval required: ☐
4. Cleft palate treatment: ☐
   a. Limits:
   b. Prior approval required: ☐
5. Cancer treatment: ☐
   b. Limits:
   c. Prior approval required: ☐
6. Treatment of Fractures: ☐
   a. Limits:
   b. Prior approval required: ☐
7. Biopsies: ☐
   a. Limits:
   b. Prior approval required: ☐

☐ Treatment of Jaw Joint (TMJ)
   a. Criteria:
   b. Prior approval required: ☐

☐ Braces (Orthodontia)
   a. Criteria:
   b. Prior approval required: ☐
   c. Payment if eligibility lost: ☐

☐ Emergency Room Services

a. Identify services:
b. Criteria:

☐ In-patient Hospital Services
a. Criteria:
b. Prior approval required: ☐

☐ Special Anesthesia
a. Criteria:
b. Prior approval required: ☐

Excluded Services

1. Identify services: