

1 **8.960 COLORADO DENTAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME SENIORS**

2 **8.960.1 Definitions**

3 Arrange For or Arranging For means demonstrating established relations with Qualified Providers for any  
4 of the Covered Dental Care Services not directly provided by the applicant.

5 Covered Dental Care Services mean the Current Dental Terminology (CDT) procedure codes and  
6 descriptions for the Colorado Dental Health Care Program for Low-Income Seniors as published on the  
7 Department's website at <https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/research-data-and-grants>.

8 C.R.S. means the Colorado Revised Statutes.

9 Dental Health Professional Shortage Area or Dental HPSA means a geographic area, population group,  
10 or facility so designated by the Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Department of  
11 Health and Human Services.

12 Department means the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing established pursuant  
13 to title 25.5, C.R.S. (2014).

14 Economically Disadvantaged means a person whose Income is at or below 250% of the most recently  
15 published federal poverty level for a household of that size.

16 Eligible Senior means an adult who is 60 years of age or older, who is Economically Disadvantaged, who  
17 is able to demonstrate lawful presence in the state in accordance with 1 CCR 201-17, who is not eligible  
18 for dental services under Medicaid or the Old Age Pension Health and Medical Care Program, and who  
19 does not have private dental insurance.

20 Federally Qualified Health Center means a federally funded nonprofit health center or clinic that serves  
21 medically underserved areas and populations as defined in 42 U.S.C. section 1395x (aa)(4).

22 Income means any cash, payments, wages, in-kind receipt, inheritance, gift, prize, rents, dividends, or  
23 interest that are received by an individual or family. Income may be self-declared. Resources are not  
24 included in Income.

25 Max Allowable Fee means the total reimbursement listed by procedure for Covered Dental Care Services  
26 under the Colorado Dental Health Care Program for Low-Income Seniors. The Max Allowable Fee is the  
27 sum of the Program Payment and the Max Patient Co-Pay.

28 Max Patient Co-Pay means the maximum amount that a Qualified Provider may collect from an Eligible  
29 Senior listed by procedure for Covered Dental Services under the Colorado Dental Health Care Program  
30 for Low-Income Seniors.

31 Medicaid means the Colorado medical assistance program as defined in article 4 of title 25.5, C.R.S.  
32 (2014).

33 Old Age Pension Health and Medical Care Program means the program described at 10 CCR 2505-10,  
34 section 8.940 et. seq. and as defined in sections 25.5-2-101 and 26-2-111(2), C.R.S. (2014)

35 Program Payment means the maximum amount by procedure listed for Covered Dental Care Services for  
36 which a Qualified Grantee may invoice the Department under the Colorado Dental Health Care Program  
37 for Low-Income Seniors.

1 Qualified Grantee means an entity that can demonstrate that it can provide or Arrange For the provision  
2 of Covered Dental Care Services and may include but is not limited to:

- 3 1. An Area Agency on Aging, as defined in section 26-11-201, C.R.S. (2014);
- 4 2. A community-based organization or foundation;
- 5 3. A Federally Qualified Health Center, safety-net clinic, or health district;
- 6 4. A local public health agency; or
- 7 5. A private dental practice.

8 Qualified Provider means a licensed dentist or dental hygienist in good standing in Colorado or a person  
9 who employs a licensed dentist or dental hygienist in good standing in Colorado and who is willing to  
10 accept reimbursement for Covered Dental Services. A Qualified Provider may also be a Qualified  
11 Grantee if the person meets the qualifications of a Qualified Grantee.

12 Senior Dental Advisory Committee means the advisory committee established pursuant to section 25.5-3-  
13 406, C.R.S. (2014).

#### 14 **8.960.2 Legal Basis**

15 The Colorado Dental Health Care Program for Low-Income Seniors is authorized by state law at part 4 of  
16 article 3 of title 25.5, C.R.S. (2014).

#### 17 **8.960.3 Request of Grant Proposals and Grant Award Procedures**

##### 18 **8.960.3.A Request for Grant Proposals**

19 Grant awards shall be made through an application process. The request for grant proposals form shall  
20 be issued by the Department and posted for public access on the Department's website at  
21 <https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/research-data-and-grants> at least 30 days prior to the due date.

##### 22 **8.960.3.B Evaluation of Grant Proposals**

23 Proposals submitted for the Colorado Dental Health Care Program for Low-Income Seniors will be  
24 evaluated by a review panel in accordance with the following criteria developed under the advice of the  
25 Senior Dental Advisory Committee.

- 26 1. The review panel will be comprised of individuals who are deemed qualified by reason of training  
27 and/or experience and who have no personal or financial interest in the selection of any particular  
28 applicant.
- 29 2. The sole objective of the review panel is to recommend to the Department's executive director  
30 those proposals which most accurately and effectively meet the goals of the program within the  
31 available funding.
- 32 3. Preference will be given to grant proposals that clearly demonstrate the applicant's ability to:
  - 33 a. Outreach to and identify Eligible Seniors;
  - 34 b. Collaborate with community-based organizations; and

1 c. Serve a greater number of Eligible Seniors or serve Eligible Seniors who reside in a  
2 geographic area designated as a Dental HPSA.

3 4. The review panel shall consider the distribution of funds across the state in recommending grant  
4 proposals for awards. The distribution of funds should be based on the estimated percentage of  
5 Eligible Seniors in the state by Area Agency on Aging region as provided by the Department.

6 **8.960.3.C Grant Awards**

7 The Department's executive director, or his or her designee, shall make the final grant awards to selected  
8 Qualified Grantees for the Colorado Dental Health Care Program for Low-Income Seniors.

9 **8.960.3.D Qualified Grantee Responsibilities**

10 A Qualified Grantee that is awarded a grant under the Colorado Dental Health Care Program for Low-  
11 Income Seniors is required to:

- 12 1. Identify and outreach to Eligible Seniors and Qualified Providers;
- 13 2. Demonstrate collaboration with community-based organizations;
- 14 3. Ensure that Eligible Seniors receive Covered Dental Care Services efficiently without duplication  
15 of services;
- 16 4. Maintain records of Eligible Seniors serviced, Covered Dental Care Services provided, and  
17 moneys spent for a minimum of six (6) years;
- 18 5. Distribute grant funds to Qualified Providers in its service area or directly provide Covered Dental  
19 Care Services to Eligible Seniors;
- 20 6. Expend no more than seven (7) percent of the amount of its grant award for administrative  
21 purposes; and
- 22 7. Submit an annual report as specified under 8.960.3.F.

23 **8.960.3.E Invoicing**

24 A Qualified Grantee that is awarded a grant under the Colorado Dental Health Care Program for Low-  
25 Income Seniors shall submit invoices on a form and schedule specified by the Department. Covered  
26 Dental Care Services shall be provided before a Qualified Grantee may submit an invoice to the  
27 Department.

- 28 1. Invoices shall include the number of Eligible Seniors served, the types of Covered Dental Care  
29 Services provided, and any other information required by the Department.
- 30 2. The Department will pay no more than the established Program Payment per procedure  
31 rendered.
- 32 3. It is up to the discretion of Qualified Providers whether to charge a co-payment. Under no  
33 circumstance shall Eligible Seniors be charged more than the Max Patient Co-Pay per procedure  
34 rendered.
- 35 4. Qualified Grantees may invoice for no more than seven (7) percent of the Program Payment for  
36 administrative costs.

1 **8.960.3.F Annual Report**

2 On or before September 1, 2016, and each September 1 thereafter, each Qualified Grantee receiving  
3 funds from the Colorado Dental Health Care Program for Low-Income Seniors shall submit a report to the  
4 Department following the state fiscal year contract period.

5 The annual report shall be completed in a format specified by the Department and shall include:

- 6 1. The number of Eligible Seniors served;
- 7 2. The types of Covered Dental Care Services provided;
- 8 3. An itemization of administrative expenditures; and
- 9 4. Any other information deemed relevant by the Department.