

State of Minnesota

H. F. No. **1136**

2.1 reconsideration when a prior approval request is denied that can be utilized by both the
2.2 patient and the patient's dental provider.

2.3 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 256B.0625, is amended by adding a subdivision
2.4 to read:

2.5 Subd. 9d. **Uniform credentialing process.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "dental
2.6 benefits administrator" has the meaning given in subdivision 9c.

2.7 (b) By January 1, 2022, in consultation with dental benefits administrators, the
2.8 commissioner shall develop a uniform credentialing process for dental providers. Upon
2.9 federal approval, the credentialing process must be accepted by all managed care plans,
2.10 county-based purchasing plans, and dental benefit administrators that contract with the
2.11 commissioner or subcontract with plans to provide dental services to medical assistance or
2.12 MinnesotaCare enrollees.

2.13 (c) The process developed in this subdivision must include a uniform credentialing
2.14 application that must be available in electronic format and accessible on the department's
2.15 website. The process developed under this subdivision must include an option to submit a
2.16 completed application electronically. The uniform credentialing application must be available
2.17 to providers for free.

2.18 (d) If applicable, a managed care plan, county-based purchasing plan, dental benefit
2.19 administrator, contractor, or vendor that reviews and approves a credentialing application
2.20 must notify a provider regarding a deficiency on a submitted credentialing application form
2.21 no later than 30 business days after receiving the application form from the provider.