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1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to health care; providing a supplemental payment to medical assistance

1.3 dental providers to assist in covering the cost of personal protection equipment

1.4 used when providing dental services to medical assistance enrollees; appropriating

1.5 money.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS TO DENTAL

1.8 PROVIDERS FOR PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT.

1.9 Subdivision 1. Definition. For purposes of this section, "patient encounter" means an

1.10 interaction with a patient who is covered by medical assistance and a dental provider that

1.11 results in the provider rendering dental services that are covered under medical assistance

1.12 and submitting a claim for payment for the services rendered during the interaction to either

1.13 the commissioner of human services or a managed care plan or county-based purchasing

1.14 plan that has contracted with the commissioner to provide dental services to medical

1.15 assistance enrollees.

1.16 Subd. 2. Supplemental payments to dental providers for personal protection

1.17 equipment. (a) Effective July 1, 2020, the commissioner of human services shall pay

1.18 supplemental payments to each dental provider who accepts medical assistance enrollees

1.19 in an amount of \$10 per patient encounter for encounters occurring on or after March 1,

1.20 2020, through September 30, 2020, and resulting in a claim for payment from the

1.21 commissioner or from a managed care plan or county-based purchasing plan. The

1.22 commissioner may provide the supplemental payment as an add-on to the fee-for-service

1.23 payment for the dental services rendered during the patient encounter and paid through the

2.1 fee-for-service payment system, or may provide the supplemental payment as a separate
2.2 payment as described in paragraph (b).

2.3 (b) Beginning July 15, 2020, the commissioner shall make a monthly supplemental
2.4 payment to each eligible dental provider that consists of a \$10 payment for each patient
2.5 encounter based on dental claims submitted by the provider and paid by the commissioner
2.6 during the preceding month if the supplemental payment was not included by the
2.7 commissioner as an add-on to the claims payment as permitted in paragraph (a), or based
2.8 on claims data submitted to the commissioner by a managed care plan or county-based
2.9 purchasing plan during the preceding month, indicating that a claim payment was made to
2.10 the provider for dental services rendered during a patient encounter. The first supplemental
2.11 payment must include payment for the patient encounters that occurred on or after March
2.12 1, 2020, for which the commissioner has received either the claim or claims data by July
2.13 15, 2020. The last supplemental payment must be made by the commissioner no later than
2.14 December 30, 2020.

2.15 Subd. 3. **Appropriation.** In fiscal year 2021, the amount necessary to pay supplemental
2.16 payments under this section is appropriated from the coronavirus relief fund to the
2.17 commissioner of human services. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until
2.18 December 30, 2020.