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06/19/2020	195	Withdrawn
	195	Second reading Laid on table
	215a	Taken from table Urgency declared rules suspended
	216	Third reading Passed as amended

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. **SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE DENTAL**

1.8 **PROVIDERS FOR PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT DURING THE**

1.9 **COVID-19 PANDEMIC; APPROPRIATION.**

1.10 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have

1.11 the meanings given.

1.12 (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of human services.

1.13 (c) "Eligible provider" means a dentist or dental clinic that:

1.14 (1) accepts patients who are covered by medical assistance;

1.15 (2) is actively enrolled as a medical assistance provider on August 15, 2020;

1.16 (3) is located in Minnesota;

1.17 (4) is not paid on a cost-based payment system; and

1.18 (5) has received at least \$5,000 in medical assistance payments from claims with a date

1.19 of service on or after October 1, 2019 through April 1, 2020.

2.1 (d) "Medical assistance payments" means payments received for providing dental services
2.2 to medical assistance enrollees from claims submitted to either the commissioner or to a
2.3 managed care plan or county based purchasing plan, or to the plan's subcontractor.

2.4 Subd. 2. **Supplemental payments.** (a) By August 15, 2020, the commissioner shall pay
2.5 a onetime supplemental payment to each eligible provider for the purpose of assisting in
2.6 the increased costs incurred by the provider for personal protective equipment during the
2.7 COVID-19 pandemic.

2.8 (b) The supplemental payment to each eligible provider shall be based on a distribution
2.9 formula established by the commissioner within the amount of the appropriation and the
2.10 requirements of this section. For each claim paid with a date of service on or after October
2.11 1, 2019 through April 1, 2020, the eligible provider shall receive a fixed dollar amount not
2.12 to exceed \$10 per claim. Only claims received by the commissioner before July 1, 2020,
2.13 shall be considered for the supplemental payment.

2.14 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), if a dentist or dental clinic meets the criteria in
2.15 subdivision 1, paragraph (c), clauses (1) through (4), but enrolled as a medical assistance
2.16 provider after October 1, 2019, the commissioner may calculate a pro-rated supplemental
2.17 payment for the dentist or dental clinic.

2.18 Subd. 3. **Appropriation.** \$5,000,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2021 from the
2.19 coronavirus relief federal fund to the commissioner of human services for the supplemental
2.20 payments authorized in this section. The total amount of supplemental payments paid under
2.21 this section must not exceed the amount appropriated. If based on the fixed dollar amount
2.22 of the supplemental payment per claim specified in subdivision 2, there are unobligated and
2.23 unexpended funds from the appropriation, these funds shall be returned to the coronavirus
2.24 relief fund by September 1, 2020.

2.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.