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Topic: Medical Benefits

Subject: Provider announcement: Prioritized List updates, effective April 1, 2009

Applies to (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children, Adults and Families | <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors and People with Disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): DHS staff and others identified on the SPD, CAF, AMH and DMAP transmittal lists |

Message:

Interim modifications and technical changes to the Prioritized List become effective April 1, 2009. One of the many guideline changes concerns increased dental services for children.

Note: Managed care organizations increased the frequency of children's dental services on January 1, 2009.

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

Contact(s):	Provider Services		
Phone:	800-336-6016	Fax:	503-945-6873
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Prioritized List updated

Interim modifications and technical changes to the 2008-2009 Prioritized List, along with new and revised guidelines, become effective April 1, 2009. One of the many guideline changes concerns increased dental services for children.

Information about the Prioritized List is available on the Health Service Commission (HSC) Web site: www.oregon.gov/OHPPR/HSC/current_prior.shtml.

New Provider Web Portal search tool

In March, DHS implemented a new search feature on the Provider Web Portal. Providers can now search for HSC Prioritized List procedure and diagnostic codes and client specific information. Information includes a description of the diagnosis, service and practice guidelines.

Log onto the Provider Web Portal at: <https://www.or-medicaid.gov>. The search function is located at the Provider drop-down menu, “Benefits and HSC Inquiry.”

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Questions?

Benefits and HSC Prioritized List

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Provider Web Portal

For technical and navigation issues, please contact Provider Services at 800-336-6016 (select option 5) or dmap.providerservices@state.or.us.