



Montana Healthcare Programs Provider Notice

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Dental, Dental Hygienist, and Oral Surgeon Providers

Tobacco Counseling (CDT D1320) Coverage and Documentation Requirements

Tobacco counseling (CDT D1320) is a covered service when provided directly to the members. Montana Healthcare Programs limits coverage is limited to one session every six months.

Claim Submission Requirements for Members Under Age 10

When tobacco counseling is provided to members under age 10, providers must submit clinical documentation as a paperwork attachment with the claim. Claims submitted without the required documentation will be denied.

Documentation Standards

All enrolled providers are required to maintain records that fully demonstrate the extent, nature, and medical necessity of services rendered (Administrative Rules of Montana 37.85.414). Montana Medicaid follows the ADA guidelines for tobacco cessation counseling. Documentation for D1320 must clearly reflect that tobacco counseling was performed according to [ADA documentation recommendations](#). A brief note, such as 'advised to quit,' is not sufficient to support billing CDT D1320.

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Contact and Website Information

If you have questions, please contact Lynea Linz, Dental Program Officer, at (406) 444-3182 or email HHSMedicaidDental@mt.gov.

For claims questions or additional information, contact Montana Provider Relations at (800) 624-3958 or (406) 442-1837 or email [Montana Provider Relations Helpdesk](#).

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