

## Increasing dental care access for adult Apple Health enrollees!

Have you heard? Apple Health (Medicaid) dental insurance reimbursement rates for adults have increased. Beginning July 1, 2021, Washington State Health Care Authority is increasing reimbursement rates by 100% for nearly all adult dental services covered by Apple Health for fee-for-service providers.

This is a great opportunity for adults with Apple Health who need dental care. Arcora Foundation, the foundation of Delta Dental of Washington, will be working with the dental provider community and other oral health advocacy partners to encourage more dentists to participate in the Apple Health program. Our hope is that these efforts will increase access to care for adults across the state.

## **Connect Clients to Care with DentistLink**

To help connect clients to dental care, check out DentistLink! <u>DentistLink.org</u> is a free, non-profit referral service for anyone in Washington, brought to you by Arcora Foundation.

Community-based organizations, health care systems, and non-profits big or small can connect directly with DentistLink to help their clients find dental care. Once we receive your referral, our friendly DentistLink referral specialists can help connect your clients to dental care in their community — whether they have insurance, including Apple Health, or are uninsured.

Referral partners can connect with us in two ways:

- Send us direct client referrals by becoming a DentistLink <u>referral</u> <u>partner</u>. Simply go to our <u>partner portal page</u> and click "Sign Up."
- Send us referrals directly from your <u>electronic health or medical</u> record system.

## **Learn more about becoming a DentistLink referral partner:**

Email us at <u>partner@dentistlink.org</u> or call our DentistLink Outreach Specialist at (208) 771-0444.

For more details on the increased Apple Health rates, please visit the <u>Health Care Authority fee schedule</u>.

Need help signing up clients for Apple Health? Visit the **Washington Healthplanfinder**.

## Ways to Connect With DentistLink



Visit **DentistLink.org** and search for a Provider.

Send referrals directly to DentistLink by signing up on our website. Our Referral Specialist team will contact the person you referred.



Call or text a Referral Specialist directly at (844) 888-5465

Apple Health (Medicaid) covers 2.1 million people in Washington, yet **fewer than 4** in 10 enrollees saw a dentist in the last year, even though oral health is essential to overall health.

Arcora Foundation and DentistLink are supporting providers and community organizations alike to improve these numbers and increase access to essential dental care for adults with Apple Health.

