

6-016 Supplemental Payments: Effective July 1, 2010, NMAP will provide a supplemental payment for covered dental services when services are provided or supervised by a faculty or staff member of the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) College of Dentistry and who is providing or supervising the treatment as part of an approved program of the University.

For dentists qualifying under this section, a supplemental payment will be made. These payments are made in addition to payments otherwise provided under the state plan to dentists that qualify for such payments. The payment amount will be the difference between payments otherwise made to these practitioners and the average rate paid for the services by commercial insurers. The payment amounts are determined by:

1. Calculating annually an average commercial payment per procedure code for all services paid to the eligible providers by commercial insurers using the provider's contracted rates with the commercial insurers for each procedure code. The rate used will be the rate in effect in January for payments during the calendar year.
2. Multiplying the total number of Medicaid claims paid per procedure by the average commercial payment rate for each procedure to establish the estimated commercial payments made for these services. Supplemental and fee schedule/base payment may not in the aggregate exceed this reimbursement ceiling; and
3. Subtracting the initial fee-for-service Medicaid payments and all Third Party Liability payments already made for these services to establish the supplemental payment amount.

The supplemental payments will be calculated 30 days after the end of each FY quarter. The amount due is paid to the UNMC College of Dentistry. No payments are made with the expectation or requirement that some or all of the payment be transferred to another party. A final reconciliation of payments is made one year after the end of each quarter.

Initial fee-for-service payments made under this section will be paid on a claims-specific basis through the Department's claims processing system using the methodology outlined elsewhere in this state plan. The supplemental payment, which represents the final payment, will be made in four quarterly payments.

For each fiscal quarter, the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry will provide a listing of the identification numbers for their dentists that are affected by the payment adjustment to the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care. The Division will generate a report which includes the identification numbers and utilization data for the affected dentists. This report will be provided to University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry.

The University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry must review and acknowledge the completeness and accuracy of the report. After receipt of confirmation, the Division will approve the supplemental payment amount.

Assurances. The Department hereby assures that payment for dental services are consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care and payments for services do not exceed the prevailing charges in the locality for comparable services under comparable circumstances.