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DIVISION OF MEDICAID SERVICES

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June 24, 2024

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medicaid Services, to **retroactively** pay the MEDICAID|MEDICARE|CHIP Services Dental Association (VC#225831-B001), Sandwich, MA in the amount of \$4,000 for annual membership dues effective upon Governor and Council approval for the period from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Funding source: 75% Federal Funds, 25% General Funds.

**05-95-47-470010-7937 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: DIVISION OF MEDICAID SERVICES, OFC MEDICAID SERVICES, MEDICAID ADMINISTRATION**

State Fiscal Year	Class / Account	Job Number	Class Title	Total Amount
2025	026-500251	Organizational Dues	47000140	\$4,000

**EXPLANATION**

Approval of this request will enable the State to receive education, training and technical assistance for personnel responsible for Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Dental Program policy and administration. This request is **retroactive** due to the invoice not being received from the vendor until June 19, 2024.

Listed below are answers to standard questions required for Governor and Executive Council organization dues and membership approval submissions.

1. How long has this organization been in existence and how long has this agency been a member of this organization?

The Association was founded in May of 2004, in Los Angeles, California, at a meeting for Medicaid representatives. The Department has been a member for 16 years.

2. Is there any other organization that provides the same or similar benefits which your agency belongs to?

No.

3. How many other states belong to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member?

All fifty (50) states and the District of Columbia belong to Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Services Dental Association. The Department is the only New Hampshire agency that is a member.

4. How is the dues' structure established? (Standard fee for all states, based on population, based on other criteria, etc.)

The Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Services Dental Association dues are a standard fee based on State population.

5. What benefit does the state receive from participating in this membership?

- Legislative Updates including e-mail action alerts on critical Medicaid dental program issues, monthly policy calls, and resources on Medicaid and/or Dental-related legislation.
- Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Services Dental Association Member Listserv access for exclusive Member communication.
- Leadership Opportunities - serve on committees and participate in conference calls with peers from your region to share best practices and tackle difficult issues.
- Representation of the Department's interests before Congress and federal agencies. The Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Services Dental Association also advocates for a wide spectrum of issues impacting Medicaid and CHIP dental programs and beneficiaries.
- Access to Staff Experts including specialists in Medicaid, CHIP, Managed Care and Accountable Care contracting, policy design, fraud, waste and abuse, waivers, data, quality measurement and improvement and value-based purchasing.
- Technical Assistance for state or local health programs through Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Services Dental Association's technical assistance initiatives and skills-building programs.
- Tools & Handbooks that assist with building, administering, and evaluating successful programs.
- Members have the opportunity to share innovative promising and value-based practices with the Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Services Dental Association community. In turn, you can learn about effective programs from across the country.

6. Are training or educational/ research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included? Explain in detail.

Yes. A benefit of membership is receiving numerous educational and research materials, including live webinars with question-and-answer capabilities with leading oral health experts, on emerging trends and topics of interest.

7. Is there any travel included with this membership fee? Explain in detail any travel to include the number of employees involved, the number of trips, destination if known and purposes of membership supported trips.

No.

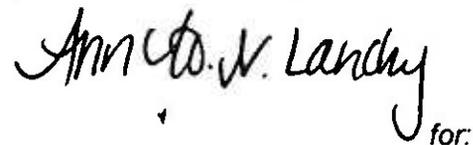
8. Which state agency employees are directly involved with this organization? (Indicate if they are members, voting members, committee members, and/or officers of the organization.)

Sarah Finne, DMD, MPH, Dental Director, Division of Medicaid Services, Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Services Dental Association Executive Board Member – Immediate Past-President.

9. Explain in detail any negative impact to the State if the Agency did not belong to this organization.

Should the Governor and Executive Council not authorize this request, the Department may incur costs that exceed the cost of membership. Not continuing Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Services Dental Association membership may result in agency gaps in education, training and technical assistance for personnel responsibility for Medicaid/CHIP Dental Program policy and administration.

Respectfully submitted,



for:

Lori A. Weaver  
Commissioner

# INVOICE

DATE: June 1, 2024

## FY 2025 Membership Dues

July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

INVOICE No: 2025-NH\_1

<b>Name State Agency</b>	New Hampshire DHHS Division of Medicaid Services (Medicaid Dental Program)
<b>Address</b>	129 Pleasant Street
<b>City, State, Zip</b>	Concord, NH 03301
<b>Primary Dental Program Director</b>	Sarah Finne - Medicaid Dental Director
<b>Email</b>	<a href="mailto:sarah.a.finne@dhhs.nh.gov">sarah.a.finne@dhhs.nh.gov</a>
<b>Services</b>	MSDA Membership Dues Includes up to 8 Affiliate Members

Member Type	Member Tier 1	Total Dues	State	Federal Administrative Match
State Medicaid/CHIP Dental Program	<400,000 EPSDT Enrollment	\$4,000	\$2,000	\$2,000

Amount Due: **\$4,000**

Remit Payment to: **MEDICAID | MEDICARE | CHIP Services Dental Association (MSDA)**  
 2 Grove Street  
 Sandwich, Massachusetts 02563-1024

**Note:** To pay by credit card or online, contact Mary Foley directly at 508-322-0557