



### Oral Health Workgroup Purpose

Define the future of Oral Health in the Denver TGA to ensure continued effectiveness and access to services.

### Current Goals

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1) Discuss Part B capacity to help support category need and fill gaps	Yes/No
2) Review Provider Needs Assessment findings	Yes/No
3) Brainstorm the agenda for the rescheduled meeting with Dr. Reznik	Yes/No

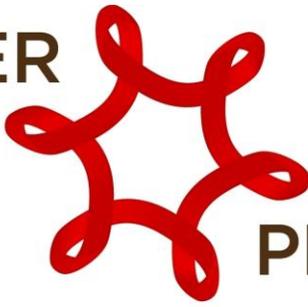
### Who Attended

**Members Present:** Bob Bongiovanni, Matt Bennett, Troy Bybee, D.D.S., Ernest Duff, Jean Finn, Edward Gardner, M.D., Bettina Harmon, Hazel Harris, Merilou Johnson, Michael Pearl.

**Staff:** Lynn Hough, Maria Lopez, Carrie Webber.

### Action Steps Addressed at Meeting

Action Steps from Work Plan Addressed	Update
1) Discuss Part B capacity	<p>CDPHE submits claims data to pharmaceutical companies regarding clients who receive assistance with copayments and coinsurance. The rebates received through this process are available to fund services for PLWH/A, and CDPHE has opted to use a portion of this rebate revenue for oral health services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MCPN is moving through the approval process. A one-year award will be granted of \$60K, about 60 clients.</li> <li>• This is estimated to be an ongoing project and includes no restrictions on types of procedures involving general dentistry.</li> <li>• Expected to alleviate waiting list and fund a referral process from all over the Denver TGA with a focus on HIV+ patients.</li> <li>• Also will pick up extra costs Howard Dental has incurred without co-pays on a procedural basis.</li> </ul>



<p>2) Review Provider Needs Assessment findings</p>	<p>Oral Health continues to be the most-needed service that remains undeceived by HIV+ patients.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economy of scale to decrease lab fees.</li> <li>• System Measure: How many people involved in services are utilizing Oral Health nationally?</li> <li>• Look at accuracy of the denominator. What part of 4,265 clients are Part A eligible? And why only 29% are in dental care with Ryan White.</li> <li>• Better understand why people don't follow through.</li> <li>• Draw a comparison against national measurements of percentage of HIV patients in dental care, benchmarks.</li> <li>• Create a scenario from each dental care provider from a client's perspective. What does getting care look like? What are the steps necessary, what times frames of care, gaps in care exist?</li> <li>• Get all doctors together to discuss how to homogenize, build relationships and learn from each other. What can we keep that is working and what can we extract that is unnecessary?</li> <li>• How would a fee-for-service from a non-HIV specialist be be prioritized? Why do we have a wait list? List HIV friendly private providers.</li> </ul>
<p>3) Brainstorm the agenda for the rescheduled meeting with Dr. Reznik</p>	<p>Dr. Reznik- travel to Denver in January, April and August. Meeting with him in April to ask:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What resources exist to help facilitate the process? What role do we want him to play? How could we improve efficiencies between existing providers? How can we overcome barriers between each other? How to streamline? Does he predict funds will be available? How can we provide consistency in procedure cost? Can he give us insight into private procedures- lessons learned? What problems can we anticipate?</li> </ul>

**Next Meeting:**

**When:** TBD

**Where:** TBD