

SUU HEAD START DENTAL CARE SERVICES

We're excited to have you assist our Head Start families in building a medical home! Due to funding limitations, Head Start can only provide services that give the greatest long-term benefit to the child. We hope to ensure the best care for our Head Start children while protecting providers from non-reimbursable costs.

When a Head Start child comes in for their exam, they will have a Head Start examination form with a cover letter. If they do not, please call the Central Office (435) 586-6070 to ensure that the child is enrolled in the current Head Start school year.

The patient's insurance, CHIP or Medicaid must be billed before Head Start can pay - **if you do not provide service for the patient's medical coverage, please do not make an appointment**, but refer them back to us and we will give them with a list of dentists that provide service for Medicaid, CHIP or their insurance. Head Start will assist with an insurance co-pay or for those without any medical coverage.

**Head Start will cover the following:
(No authorization required)**

1. Initial (one time) dental exam. (Up to \$30)

Pre-authorization is required for the following:

1. Panorex radiographs or Bite-Wing radiographs (X-rays).
2. Services provided for relief of pain.
3. Restoration of decayed permanent teeth with an amalgam (silver filling or composite filling material as indicated).
4. Primary molars and cuspids using amalgam or stainless steel crowns.
5. Pulp therapy when indicated to save permanent teeth or primary molars.
6. Extraction of non-restorable teeth.

**Head Start will NOT cover the following:
(PLEASE DO NOT provide these services to ANY Head Start child unless covered by the parent's insurance)**

1. Space maintainers.
2. Dental prophylaxis (dental cleaning).
3. Fluoride applied topically in dental office.

Any unlisted services will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

The Health Services Manager must authorize all services before payment can be made to any dental provider.

You will bill Head Start as any insurance; we will need an itemized bill for each patient. We look forward working with you. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (435) 586-6070 ext. 210. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Cindy Seipert
Health Services Manager
SUU Head Start