



July 9, 2008

Re: IMPORTANT BENEFIT CHANGES REGARDING DENTAL SERVICES!

Last year the Arizona Legislature gave Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) money to pay for dental services to members age 21 and older, who were enrolled with Arizona Long Term Care System (ALTCS) program. The benefit covered routine dental coverage up to a maximum of \$1000 per year per members.

This year the Legislature has NOT given AHCCCS money for these services.

This means that neither AHCCCS nor SCAN will pay for any routine dental services that are provided after July 31, 2008, even if the services were already authorized.

This is based on Arizona Laws 2007, Chapter 255, Section 7 and House Bill 2209, 48th Legislature, Second Regular Session, signed by the Governor in June 2008.

- **Remember**, this does not affect the emergency dental services, medically necessary dentures, or dental care for transplant services that are covered services under the ALTCS program and will remain available to SCAN members who are age 21 and older. Please continue to notify Prior Authorization at 1-866-406-0955 when providing emergent services to a SCAN member.
- **In addition**, the dental benefits for members **under** the age of 21 years old remain in effect with no changes.

Should you have questions about this change, please contact Network Management at 1-888-406-0937 OR Member Services at 1-888-540-7226.