



Quarterly Report on Statewide Dental Services to Floridians with Developmental Disabilities

First Quarter Fiscal Year 2025-26
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Background

As directed by the General Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2025-26, from the funds in Specific Appropriation 240, in the event the Agency for Persons with Disabilities (Agency) is unable to competitively procure a contract with a nonprofit organization for a statewide dental services program for the developmentally disabled, funds in Specific Appropriation 240 shall be used by the Agency to administer the program until such contract can be executed.

The Agency must provide a quarterly report to the Executive Office of the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget, the chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, and the chair of the House of Representatives Budget Committee within 30 days after the last business day of the preceding quarter detailing the number of individuals served, the type of services received, and expenditures by service.

Contract Procurement and Award

The Agency released an RFP (Request for Proposals) as a competitive solicitation to procure a Dental Program contract on January 5, 2024. Due to the lack of qualified respondents, the Agency issued a "no award" for the solicitation. The Agency engaged in additional research and outreach with stakeholders to strengthen the solicitation, better align the scope with identified market needs, and encourage broader vendor participation.

The second RFP was posted on October 24, 2025. On May 12, 2025, the Agency selected Florida Association of Rehabilitation Facilities (FARF) as the vendor of choice and posted an intent to award on the vendor information portal. The original contract awarded to FARF contained an appropriation of \$11.5 million. During the 2025 Legislative Session, the appropriation was reduced to \$3.6 million. Currently, the Agency and Vendor are conducting negotiations relative to a standard two-party agreement due to the change in funding.

Dental Services

In December 2018, the Agency for Health Care Administration implemented the dental component of the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program. At that time, Medicaid eligible clients could receive many of their dental services through one of the Medicaid dental plans. The Medicaid dental plans further expanded coverage in 2023.

Additionally, in 2024 the Agency implemented the use of Specific Appropriation 240 funds to cover the cost of preventative and medically necessary dental care for APD clients until an Agency Dental Program contract is executed. The Agency is using these funds as a payor of last resort for dental treatments not covered by Florida Medicaid, Medicare, or dental care available to APD clients through private dental insurance. During the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2025-2026, a total of 75 clients received services.

The iBudget Waiver covers medically necessary dental treatments that are not covered by the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program. Additionally, the Agency Ombudsman Office maintains a direct line of communication specifically for APD client dental inquiries.

Summary of Services:

Services Authorized

Service Category	Total Amount Authorized
Initial Treatment	\$ 702.00
Preventative Care	\$ 103,340.00
Preventative Care; Sedation	\$ 9,911.00
Preventative Care; Hospital Visit	\$ 1548.00
Preventative Care; Hospital Visit; Sedation	\$ 18,684.00
Dental Emergency	\$ 277.00
Dental Emergency; Preventative Care	\$ 10,196.00
Grand Total	\$144,658.00

Expenditures

Service Category	Total Amount Expended
Initial Treatment	
Preventative Care	\$ 8,270.00
Preventative Care; Sedation	
Preventative Care; Hospital Visit	
Preventative Care; Hospital Visit; Sedation	\$ 4,748.00
Dental Emergency	\$ 277.00
Dental Emergency; Preventative Care	
Grand Total	\$13,295.00