

MEDICAL AND DENTAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURE

1302.42 Child health status and care.

e) *Use of funds.* (1) A program must use program funds for the provision of diapers and formula for enrolled children during the program day.

(2) A program may use program funds for professional medical and oral health services when no other source of funding is available. When program funds are used for such services, grantee and delegate agencies must have written documentation of their efforts to access other available sources of funding.

1. Head Start and ECEAP program funds, available for medical/dental care, are to be used as dollars of last resort.
2. Families/individuals without coverage are referred, at time of enrollment, to Medicaid or Apple Health. Military families are directed to sign up with Tricare medical and dental insurance.
3. No physical exam or dental exam will be paid from program funds until eligibility for coverage has been determined.
4. Program can pay for services for children who are experiencing an emergency or are in pain if no other options are available.
5. Program can provide mental health crisis intervention for children and immediate family members.
6. Program will seek out the most cost-effective source of care, i.e. sliding-scale clinics for children with no coverage.
7. Program-paid medical, dental and mental health care are covered at Medicaid rates.