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| PLAN OPERATIONS |  From DentaQuest | | |
| | <i>Policy and Procedure</i> | | |
| | Policy Name: | Moral Objections Policy | Policy ID: PLANCG-60 |
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PURPOSE

To establish guidelines for objecting to the provision or coverage of a service based on moral or religious grounds.

POLICY

The Dental Care Organization (DCO) is not required to provide or reimburse for, or provide coverage of, a counseling or referral service if DCO objects to the service on moral or religious grounds. DCO will include in its Service Authorization Handbook its policy for declining to provide coverage based on objection on moral or religious grounds and include such policy in its Member Handbook.

If DCO elects not to provide, reimburse for, or provide coverage of a counseling or referral service because of an objection on moral or religious grounds, DCO must first provide the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and applicable Coordinated Care Organization(s) (CCO) with notice of such election and also provide OHA and applicable CCO(s) with Administrative Notice of its written policy as follows:

1. Annually, no later than January 31st;
2. Upon any material changes; and
3. Any time, upon OHA and applicable CCO(s) request.

Upon receiving Notice of Approval from OHA and applicable CCO(s), DCO shall furnish its policy of non-coverage, as approved in writing by OHA and applicable CCO(s) to:

1. Potential Enrollees before and during Enrollment; and
2. Enrollees thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the policy with respect to any particular service (which is the date on which OHA and applicable CCO(s) provide written approval of such policy).

REFERENCES

410-141-3585 MCE Member Relations: Education and Information
 42 CFR 438.102 Provider-enrollee communications

Revision History

| Date: | Description |
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| 01/24/2020 | New policy to meet contractual obligations |
| 11/08/2021 | Updates based on Annual Review |