# HB 4 (formerly HB 692) Working Group on the Plan Preparation of an Adult Dental Benefit Into a Value-Based Care Platform In New Hampshire Medicaid

**October 23, 2020**

**Working Group Activities since the September 25, 2020 report submission:**
A meeting of the Working Group occurred on October 8, 2020 and Medicaid Director Henry Lipman provided an update on the Division of Medicaid Services budget process for FY 22 – 23. The proposed budget included, as a priority need, total funds of $11,865,840 for SFY22 and $11,865,840 for SFY23, to provide funding for the adult dental benefit in addition to the $500,000 included in HB4 for the SFY21 Quarter 4 implementation of the dental benefit. There was also a discussion regarding Accountable Care Organizations (ACO's) and three states' use of ACO's or ACO-like arrangements to provide value based dental care to their Medicaid members.

The Working Group will continue to meet, as needed, to complete tasks outlined in a previous report to this committee.

**Reporting Requirement:**
Per HB 4**,** Chapter 346:226 Laws of 2019, Acting Commissioner Kerrin Rounds submitted a report of all proposed changes to state law that the Commissioner believed necessary to implement the plan, to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House by January 1, 2020.

**Future Topics and Presentations:**
- Refinement of Cost Estimates and Benefit Plan Design

**Working Group Meeting Schedule:**
The next meeting of the Working Group has yet to be determined.

As meetings are scheduled, the *HB 4 (formerly HB 692) Medicaid Adult Dental Benefit Planning Working Group* webpage is updated accordingly and a group email update is sent to the Working Group and other interested stakeholders who have submitted their email addresses.