**An Act To Expand Adult Dental Health Insurance Coverage**

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**PART** **A**

**Sec.** **A-****1. 24 MRSA §2317-B, sub-§22,** as amended by PL 2019, c. 605, §3, is further amended to read:

**22.** **Title 24-A, section 4320-M.**  Coverage for abortion services, Title 24‑A, section 4320‑M; ~~and~~

**Sec.** **A-****2. 24 MRSA §2317-B, sub-§23,** as enacted by PL 2019, c. 605, §4, is amended to read:

**23.** **Title 24-A, sections 2766-A and 2847-W.**  The prohibition on a dental benefit waiting period for persons under 19 years of age, Title 24‑A, sections 2766‑A and 2847‑W~~.~~; and

**Sec.** **A-****3. 24 MRSA §2317-B, sub-§24** is enacted to read:

**24.** **Title 24-A, section 4320-P.**  Coverage for comprehensive dental services, Title 24-A, section 4320-P.

**Sec.** **A-****4. 24-A MRSA §4320-P** is enacted to read:

**§****4320-P.** **Coverage for comprehensive dental services**

**1.** **Definition.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, "comprehensive dental services" means any services necessary to maintain oral health and prevent disease, restore oral structures to health and function and treat emergency conditions.

**2.** **Required coverage.** A carrier offering a health plan in this State shall provide coverage for comprehensive dental services.

**3.** **Limits; coinsurance; deductibles.** A health plan that provides coverage for the services required by this section may contain provisions for maximum benefits and coinsurance and reasonable limitations, deductibles and exclusions to the extent that these provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements of this section.

**4.** **Coordination of benefits with dental insurance.** If an enrollee eligible for coverage under this section is also eligible for coverage under a dental insurance policy or contract, the insurer providing dental insurance is the primary payer responsible for charges under subsection 2 and the carrier is the secondary payer.

**Sec.** **A-****5.** **Application.** The requirements of this Part apply to all policies, contracts and certificates executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after January 1, 2022. For purposes of this Part, all contracts are deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of the contract date.

**PART** **B**

**Sec.** **B-****1. 22 MRSA §8718** is enacted to read:

**§****8718.** **Dental provider database**

The organization shall develop and maintain a database to provide information on available dentists in this State who provide dental services to MaineCare members, including children. The database of available dentists must be posted on a publicly accessible website for use by the public. The organization shall collaborate with the department as necessary on the development and maintenance of the database of available dentists.

**SUMMARY**

Part A of the bill requires health insurance carriers to provide coverage for comprehensive dental services. Part A applies to policies and contracts issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2022.

Part B of the bill requires the Maine Health Data Organization to develop and maintain a database of dentists providing dental care to MaineCare members, including children, and to post that information on a publicly accessible website.