

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-24.1 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to medical assistance dental benefits.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 50-24.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Medical assistance - Dental benefits - Contract.**

- 7 1. The department shall contract with a licensed dental health plan to provide medical
8 assistance dental benefits statewide through a carve-out managed dental care
9 services program. The program must be on a prepaid or fixed full-risk basis and the
10 rates must be actuarially sound.
- 11 2. Under this section, a qualified licensed dental health plan must have at least five years
12 experience administering a similar dental plan. The contract must include a provision
13 for an annual report that includes utilization and encounter data by current dental
14 technology code and the medical loss ratio may not be less than eighty-five percent.
15 The term of the initial contract may not exceed three years, with the option for two
16 one-year renewals. The term of the contract may not exceed five years without being
17 rebid.