



2020 Annual Oral Health Report

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- Dental Overview
- Dentists in Medicaid
- Dental Utilization
- Adult Dental Pilot Program
- COVID-19 Response

Dental Overview

Maryland Medicaid's Dental Program is called *Maryland Healthy Smiles (MHSDP)*, and participants are assigned a Dental Home upon enrollment in MHSDP.

MHSDP serves pregnant women and children enrolled in Medicaid, as well as adults in the Rare and Expensive Case Management Program (REM).

All nine MCOs voluntarily cover limited adult dental services to their members as a part of their benefit package using their own profits.

In January 2017, Maryland Medicaid began reimbursing dental services for former foster care children up to age 26.

On June 1, 2019, Maryland Medicaid began the Adult Dental Pilot Program.

Dentists in Medicaid

Number of Dentists Participating in Medicaid Who Billed One or More Services, by Region

Region*	CY 2015	CY 2016	CY 2017	CY 2018	CY 2019
Baltimore Metro	536	538	560	593	628
Washington Suburban	564	567	563	582	630
Southern Maryland	54	60	63	66	66
Western Maryland	128	122	145	152	164
Eastern Shore	89	86	97	100	98
Out of State	182	167	197	219	215
Total	1,464	1,540	1,625	1,712	1,801
Unique Total	1,470	1,467	1,600	1,596	1,694

Baltimore Metro: Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, and Howard Counties

Washington Suburban: Prince George's and Montgomery Counties

Southern Maryland: Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties

Western Maryland: Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington Counties

Eastern Shore: Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties



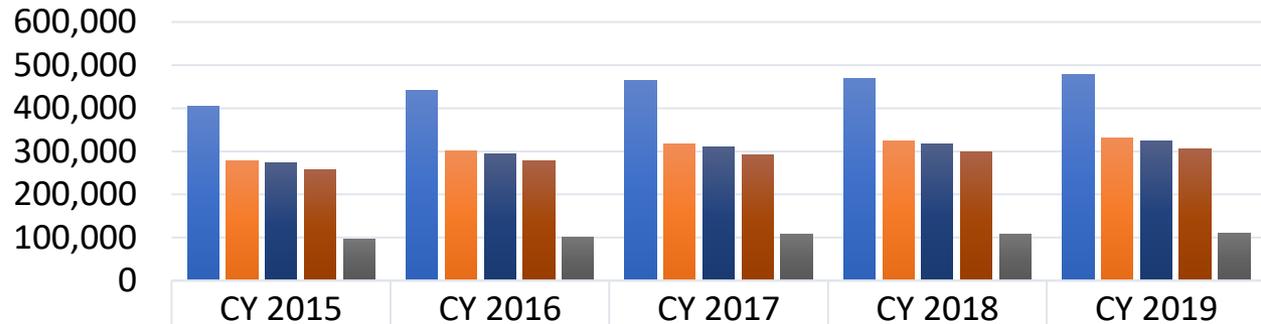
Dentists in Medicaid

Active Dentists and Dentists Participating with the Maryland Healthy Smiles Dental Program

Region	Total Active Dentists	Active Pediatric Dentists	Dentists Enrolled with Maryland Healthy Smiles Dental Program	Dentists Who Billed One or More Services in CY 2019	Dentists Who Billed \$10,000+ in CY 2019
Baltimore Metro	1,903	113	756	628	476
Washington Suburban	1,700	94	788	630	477
Southern Maryland	140	*	110	66	52
Western Maryland	277	19	217	164	124
Eastern Shore	209	*	174	98	79
Out of State	--	--	244	215	89
Total	4,229	240	1,738	1,694	1,244

Dental Utilization

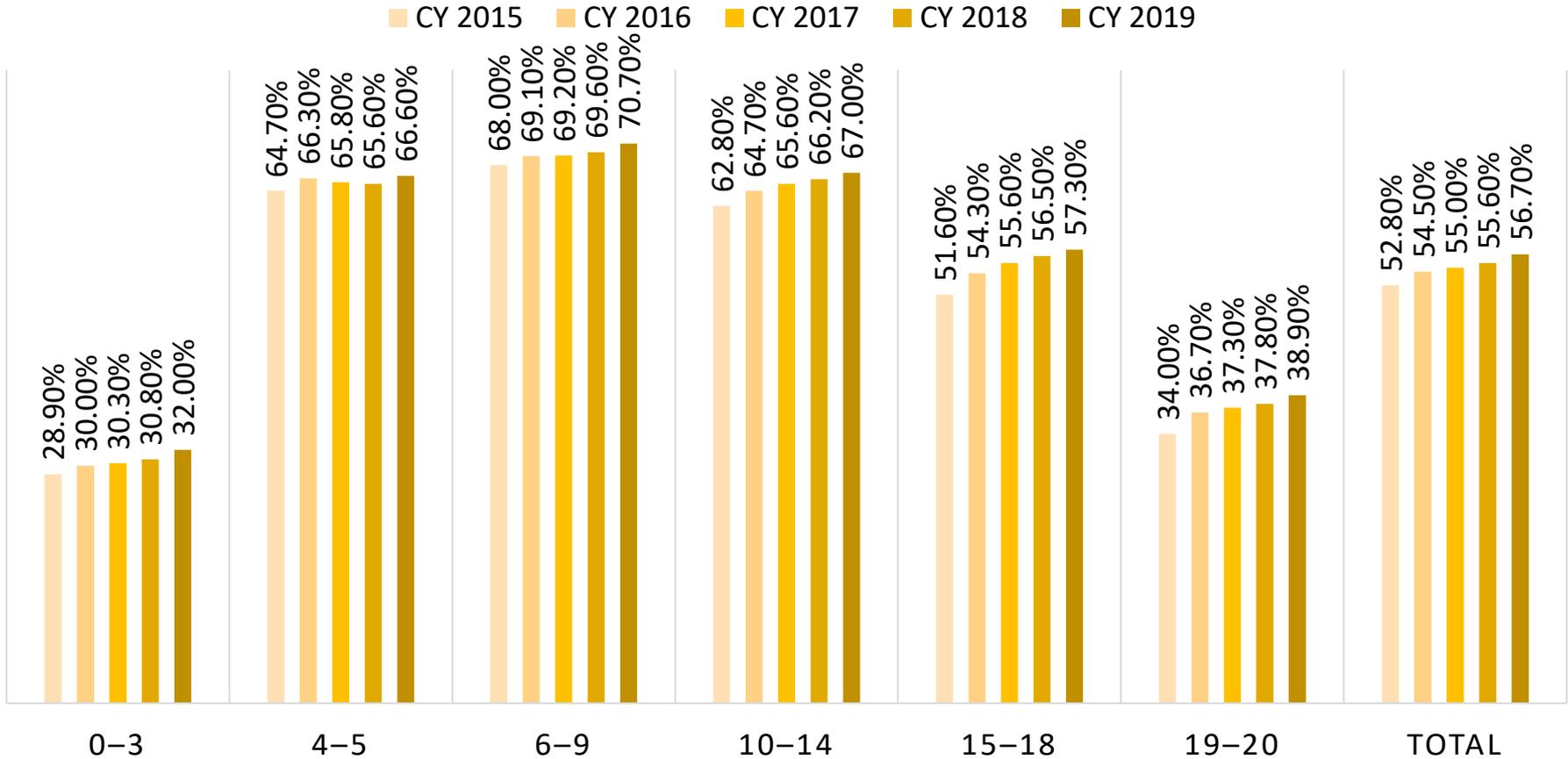
Number and Percentage of Children Aged 4 through 20 Years Enrolled in Medicaid for at least 320 Days Receiving Dental Services, by Type of Service



	CY 2015	CY 2016	CY 2017	CY 2018	CY 2019
■ Total Number of Participants	404,118	440,100	464,585	469,413	477,768
■ Participants Receiving One or More Dental Services	278,796	301,367	316,294	324,252	331,485
■ Participants Receiving a Diagnostic Service	273,184	294,867	308,949	316,384	323,449
■ Participants Receiving a Preventive Service	258,636	279,023	292,224	298,547	304,816
■ Participants Receiving a Restorative Service	96,988	102,103	107,784	107,496	109,887

Dental Utilization

Percentage of Children Aged 0 through 20 Years Enrolled in Medicaid for Any Period who had at Least One Dental Visit by Age Group



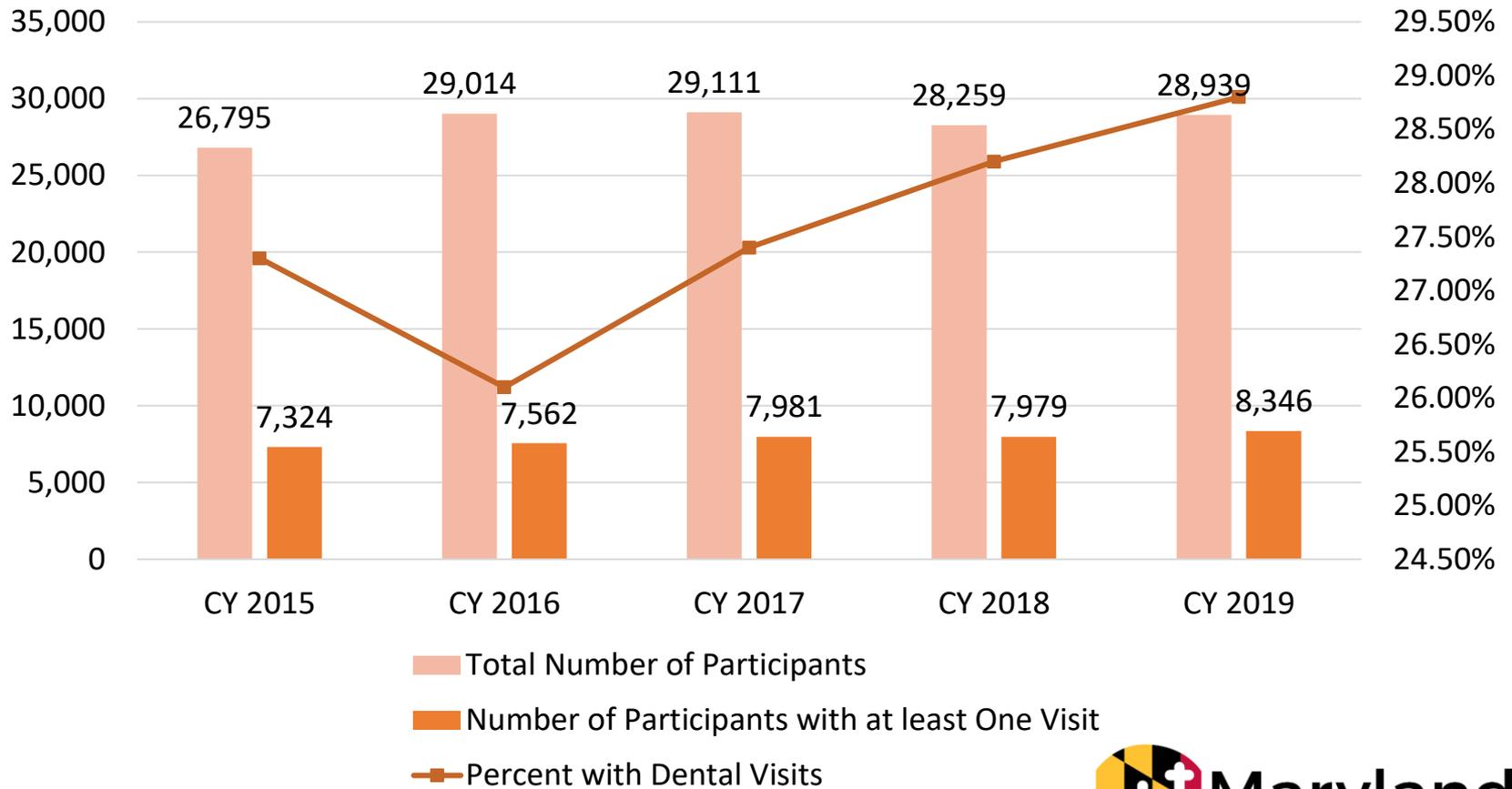
Dental Utilization

Percentage of Children Aged 0 through 20 Years Enrolled in Medicaid for Any Period Who received a Preventive/Diagnostic Visit Followed by a Restorative Visit

Year	Total Number of Participants	Number with Preventive/Diagnostic Visit	Percent with Preventive/Diagnostic Visit	Number with Preventive/Diagnostic Visit Followed by a Restorative Visit	Percent with Preventive/Diagnostic Visit Followed by a Restorative Visit
CY 2015	709,669	369,645	52.1%	109,614	29.7%
CY 2016	702,105	377,058	53.7%	109,048	28.9%
CY 2017	723,709	391,897	54.2%	114,089	29.1%
CY 2018	733,594	401,370	54.7%	114,312	28.5%
CY 2019	733,128	408,862	55.8%	115,813	28.3%

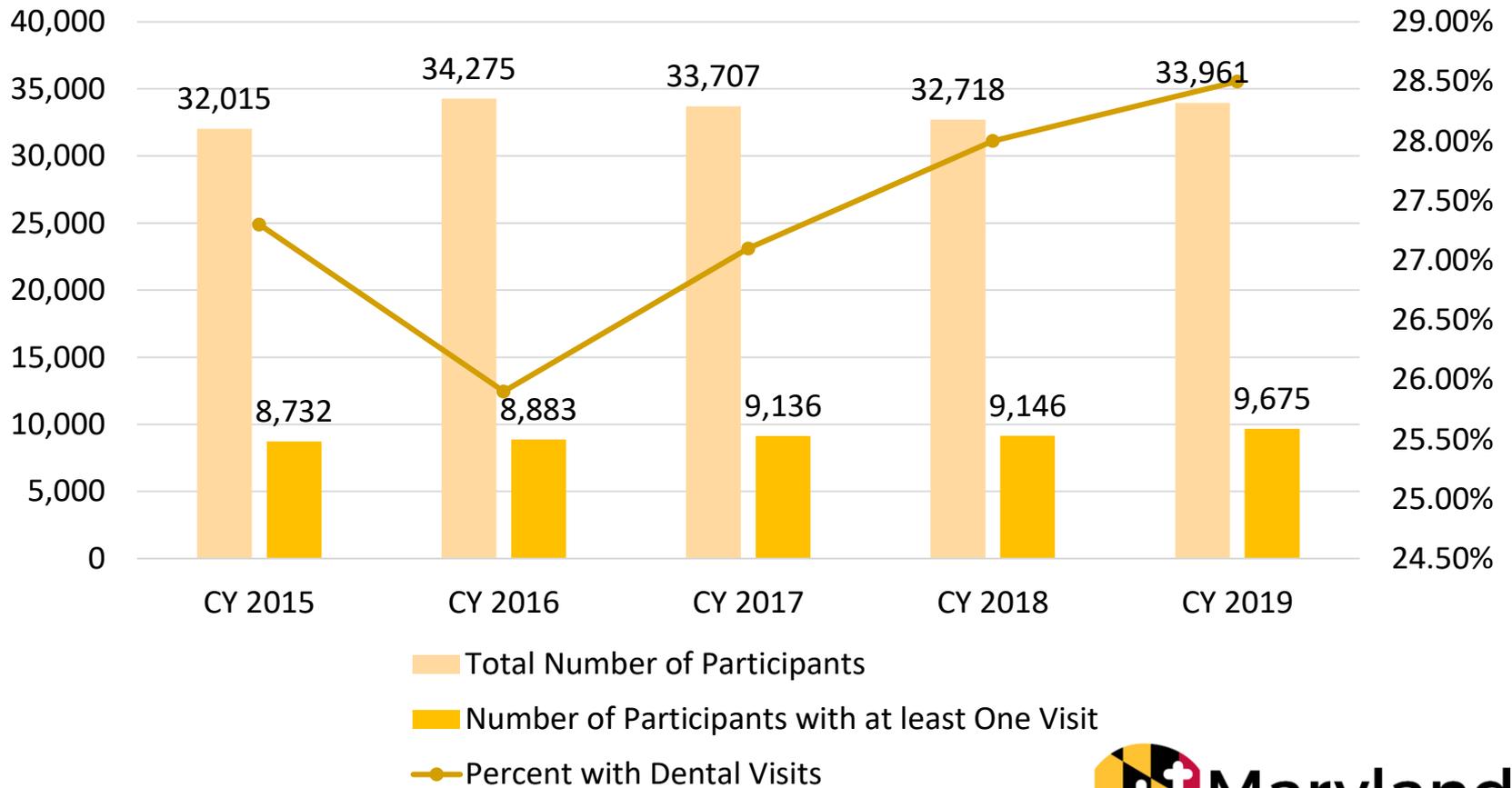
Dental Utilization

Number and Percentage of Pregnant Women Aged 21 and Older with at least 90 Days in Medicaid Who had Dental Services



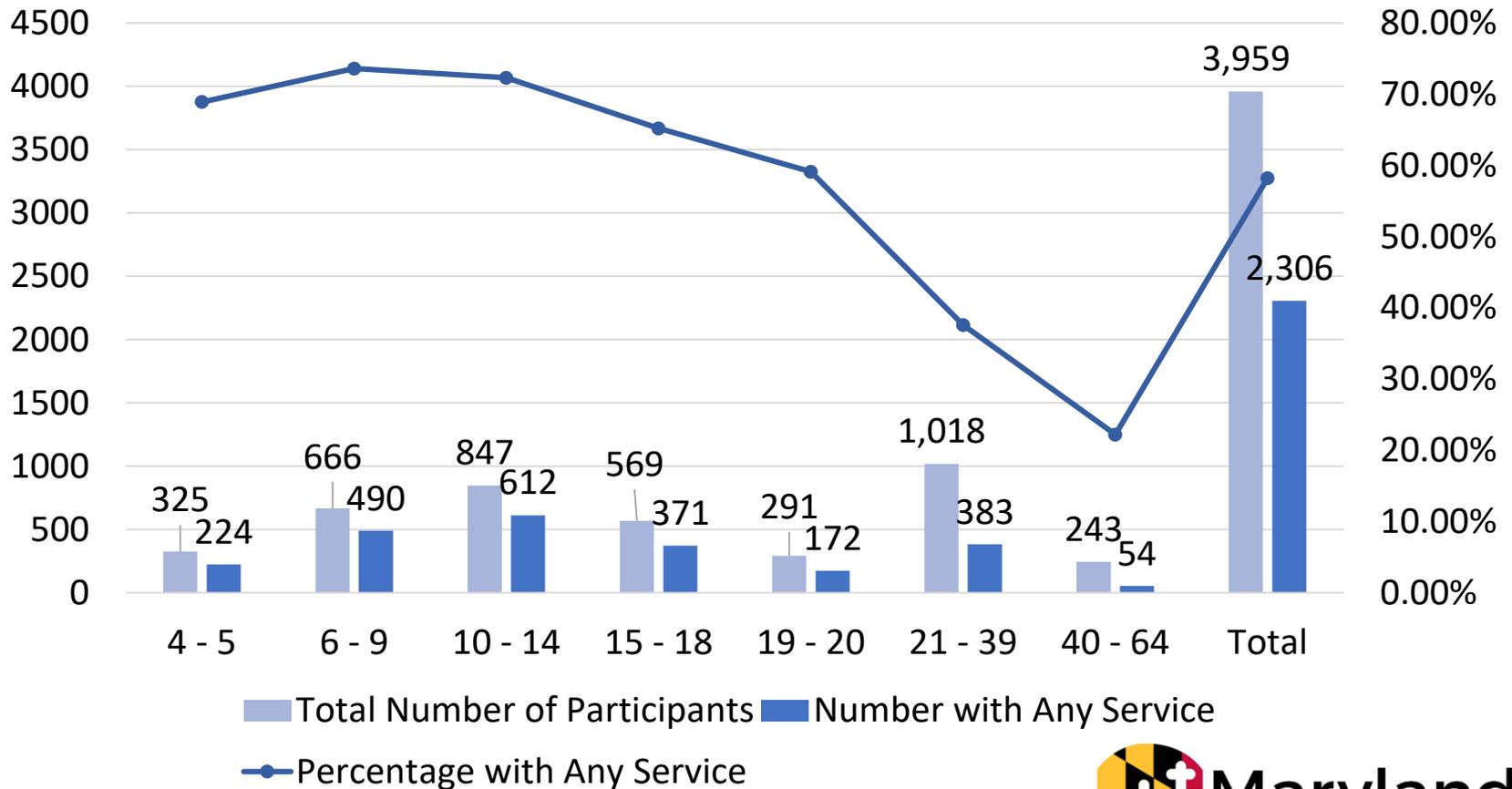
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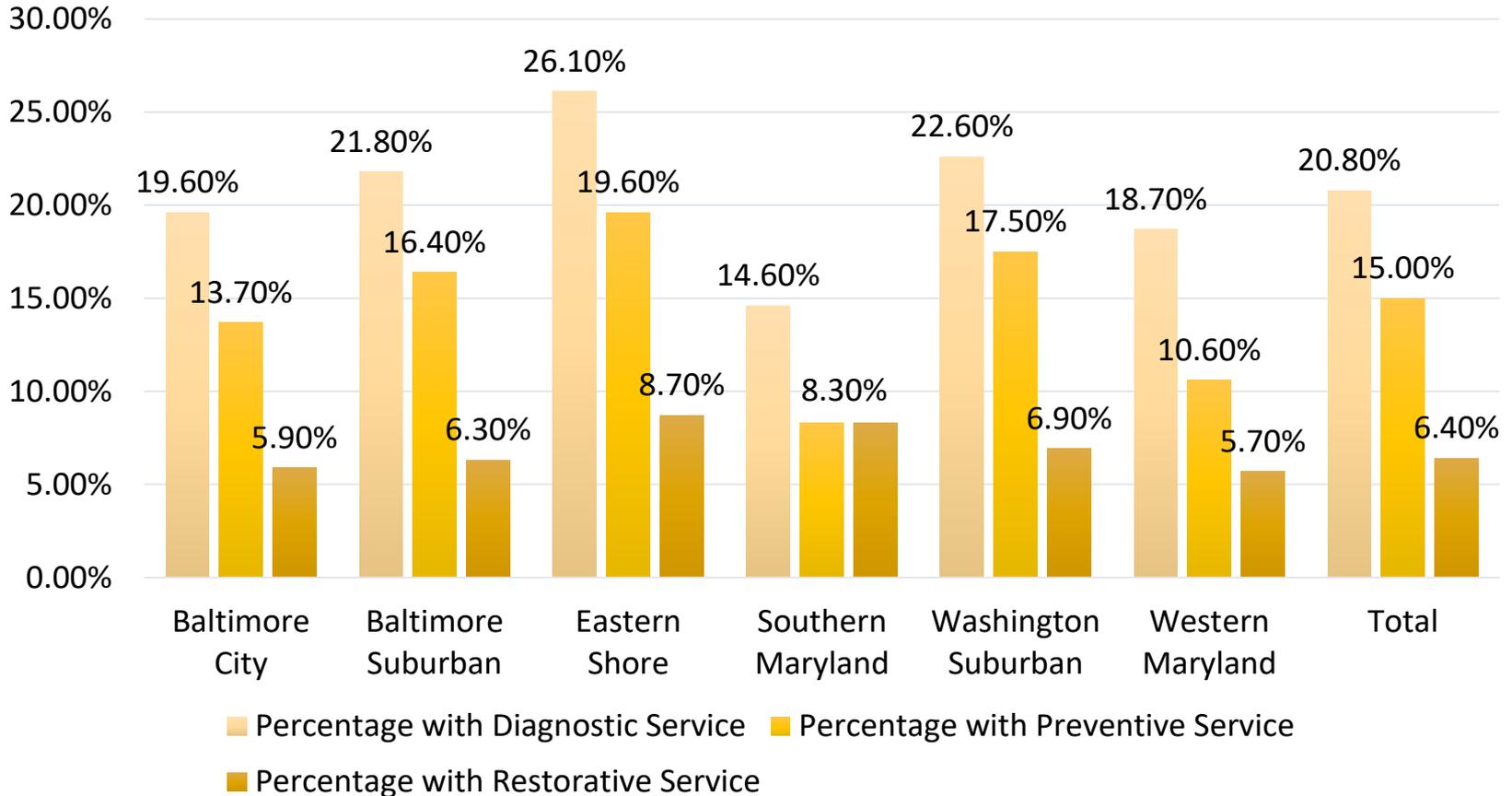
Dental Utilization

Number and Percentage of REM Participants Aged 4 through 64 Years with at Least 320 Days in Medicaid Who had Dental Services, by Age Group, CY 2019



Dental Utilization

Percentage of Former Foster Care Participants Enrolled for Any Period in Medicaid Receiving Dental Services, by Type of Service and Region, CY 2019



*Baltimore Suburban: Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, and Howard Counties.

Southern Maryland: Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties.

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Washington Suburban: Prince's George and Montgomery Counties.

Dental Utilization

Percentage of Non-Pregnant Adults Aged 21 through 64 Receiving Dental Services, Enrolled in HealthChoice for at Least 90 Days

Year	Total Number of Participants	Participants Receiving One or More Dental Service	Percent Receiving Service
CY 2015	533,689	72,556	13.6%
CY 2016	521,954	72,318	13.9%
CY 2017	569,948	85,323	15.0%
CY 2018	591,603	86,947	14.7%
CY 2019	579,853	93,988	16.2%

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Dental Utilization

Number and Percentage of Medicaid Participants Aged 0 through 64 Years with at least One ED Visit with a Dental Diagnosis or Dental Procedure Code, CY 2019

Age Group (Years)	Total Number of Participants	Number of Participants with ED Visit with Dental Diagnosis or Procedure	Percentage with ED Visit with Dental Diagnosis or Procedure	Total Number of Visits with Dental Diagnosis or Procedure
0 - 3	153,896	671	0.40%	1,143
4 - 5	76,489	246	0.30%	442
6 - 9	147,199	447	0.30%	831
10 - 14	182,719	307	0.20%	561
15 - 18	120,250	359	0.30%	668
19 - 20	52,575	358	0.70%	745
21 - 39	394,942	9,743	2.50%	23,341
40 - 64	335,646	5,211	1.60%	11,575
Total	1,463,716	17,342	1.20%	39,306

Adult Dental Pilot Program Overview

- In 2018, the Maryland State Legislature passed Senate Bill 284 requiring MDH to apply for a waiver amendment to CMS to implement an adult dental pilot program.
- MDH submitted an amendment to its §1115 waiver to CMS on July 2, 2018 and received CMS approval in March 2019
- Statewide Pilot will:
 - Serve dually-eligible adults ages 21-64
 - Include coverage for a limited dental benefit package (including diagnostic, preventative, and limited restorative services, as well as extractions)
- Maryland's Dental Benefit Administrator (DBA), SKYGEN USA, administers the benefit.
- SKYGEN USA also administers the dental benefit to REM adults, pregnant women, former foster care youth, and children
- Benefits will be subject to an \$800 per person maximum benefit allowance per calendar year for the first year of the pilot

Adult Dental Pilot Program Process

- Prior to each visit, provider must verify participant's eligibility and amount remaining in member's maximum benefit allowance by phone or web portal
- At each dental visit, providers and participants must sign a global treatment plan
 - Provider must review recommended services and costs
 - Participant will make informed decision about services they wish to receive
 - Copy to be given to member and filed in chart
- Provider should submit claims immediately after rendering services
- Claims will be reimbursed in the order they are received
 - SKYGEN USA will pay amount remaining in benefit allowance up to \$800 per participant each calendar year
 - Requests beyond \$800 will be denied
 - FQHCs will be reimbursed cost-based rate for dental services
- Providers can charge members with a signed non-covered services agreement
 - Must be signed prior to rendering services
 - Similar to the global treatment plan, it must outline the specific services to be provided and costs
 - Member must sign if agreeing to pay for services out of pocket

Adult Dental Pilot Program

Number and Percentage of Adult Pilot Program Participants Enrolled for Any Period in Medicaid Receiving Dental Services, by Type of Service, CY 2019

	Any Dental Visit		Diagnostic		Preventive		Restorative	
	Number of Enrollees with Visit	Percent with Visit	Number of Enrollees with Visit	Percent with Visit	Number of Enrollees with Visit	Percent with Visit	Number of Enrollees with Visit	Percent with Visit
At least One Visit	4,508	12.2%	4,354	11.8%	2,325	6.3%	1,321	3.6%
No Services	32,340	87.8%	32,494	88.2%	34,523	93.7%	35,527	96.4%
Total	36,848	100.0%	36,848	100.0%	36,848	100.0%	36,848	100.0%

Because the Adult Dental Pilot Program began June 1, 2019, the above data only represents 7 months of utilization and not 12 months.



COVID-19 Telehealth Expansion

On March 5, 2020, Governor Larry J. Hogan, Jr., declared a state of emergency due to disease (COVID-19) caused by the novel coronavirus.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department has made updates to the billing codes for its Telehealth Program for certain providers, including dentists.

Dentistry delivered via telehealth, also known as tele-dentistry, was expanded effective March 5, 2020.

The Department will conduct a review of codes that may be appropriate for tele-dentistry after the end of the state of emergency.

Resources and Contact Information

- 2020 Annual Oral Health Legislative Report:
<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/Documents/JCRs/2020/dentalJCRfinal11-20.pdf>
- Reports and Publications Page:
<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/Pages/Reports-and-Publications.aspx>
- Maryland Healthy Smiles Page:
<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/Pages/maryland-healthy-smiles-dental-program.aspx>

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