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1. LOG NUMBER <b>000024</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
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**From:** Janice Tippins  
**To:** Jan Polatty  
**Date:** 7/13/2007 9:50:15 AM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Re: SC Medicaid Dental Fee Schedule

Jan, Deirdra suggested that I forward this request to you to log in. I have also forwarded it to Jeff, as well, but got his notice he would be out till Monday.

Let me know if you have questions.

Thanks.

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**CC:** Shirley W Carrington

**From:** Scott E Epstein <see5@georgetown.edu>  
**To:** Janice Tippins <Tippins@scdhhs.gov>  
**Date:** 7/11/2007 12:13:50 PM  
**Subject:** Re: SC Medicaid Dental Fee Schedule

Hi Janice,

Thanks again for your help with the dental fees. I was wondering if you would be able to help me find a little more information.

I am trying to find some data on dentist participation in South Carolina Medicaid. I'm basically looking for 3 numbers:

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2. The number of dentists who were enrolled as Medicaid providers during that time period.
3. The total number of licensed dentists living in the state during that time period.

I tried to contact Shirley Carrington regarding this data in early June, but did not hear back from her. Do you think that you would be able to obtain this data?

Thanks so much.

Sincerely,

Scott Epstein  
Research Assistant  
Georgetown Public Policy Institute  
516-721-6056

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Scott E Epstein <see5@georgetown.edu>  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 26, 2007 3:45 pm  
**Subject:** Re: SC Medicaid Dental Fee Schedule

> Thanks very much, Janice. I appreciate your help.

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> Scott Epstein  
> Research Assistant  
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> ----- Original Message -----  
> **From:** Janice Tippins <Tippins@scdhhs.gov>  
> **Date:** Friday, June 22, 2007 9:26 am  
> **Subject:** SC Medicaid Dental Fee Schedule

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**From:** Shirley W Carrington  
**To:** see5@georgetown.edu  
**Subject:** SC Medicaid requested data

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Scott,  
This is the information that you requested by email on 7-11-07. The data is for SFY2007. The answers are in bold:

1. The most recent data that we have on the number of Medicaid enrolled dental providers in South Carolina that saw at least 1 Medicaid patient in a 12 month period.

**Answer: 999 enrolled providers had at least one paid claim for a Medicaid beneficiary in a 12 month period.**

2. The number of Medicaid enrolled dental providers during that time period.

**Answer: 1,663 enrolled dental providers**

3. The total number of licensed dentists in the state during that time period.

**Answer: There were 2,487 licensed dentists in SC.**

If you need any further information, please contact me by email or by phone and I will be glad to assist you.  
Thank you.

**CC:** Cynthia Higgins; Felicity Myers; Janice Tippins

**From:** Mary Cooper  
**To:** Margarete Keller  
**Date:** 7/31/2007 9:31 am  
**Subject:** log 24

completed and copy to you on 7-26-07 a.m.,

Please let me know if you need another copy. no problem. thanks.

**From:** Felicity Myers  
**To:** Shirley W Carrington  
**Date:** 7/25/2007 4:21 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Log 024

**CC:** Cynthia Higgins  
this looks fine to me

>>> Shirley W Carrington 7/25/2007 4:15 PM >>>  
Felicity/ Cynthia  
Please review the response to Scott Epstein with Log 024. This is the data we got from User Services and the State Board of Dentistry. If you approve, I'll send to Scott. Thanks

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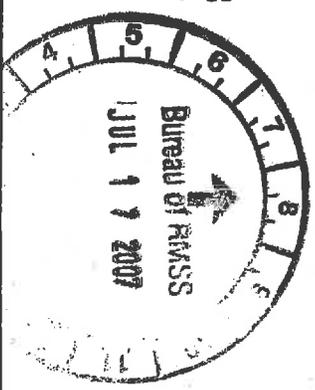
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