


PLAN OPERATIONS	 From DentaQuest		
	<i>Policy and Procedure</i>		
	Policy Name:	<b>Moral Objections Policy</b>	Policy ID: <b>PLANCG-60</b>
	Approved By:	Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement Committee	Last Revision Date: 01/10/2025
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## PURPOSE

To establish guidelines for objecting to the provision or coverage of a service based on moral or religious grounds.

## POLICY

The Dental Care Organization (DCO) is not required to provide or reimburse for, or provide coverage of, a counseling or referral service if DCO objects to the service on moral or religious grounds. DCO will include in its Service Authorization Handbook its policy for declining to provide coverage based on objection on moral or religious grounds.

If DCO elects not to provide, reimburse for, or provide coverage of a counseling or referral service because of an objection on moral or religious grounds, DCO must first provide the applicable Coordinated Care Organization(s) (CCO) with notice of such election and also applicable CCO(s) with Administrative Notice of its written policy as follows:

1. Annually, no later than January 31st;
2. Upon any material changes; and
3. Any time, applicable CCO(s) request.

Upon receiving Notice of Approval applicable CCO(s), DCO shall furnish its policy of non-coverage, as approved in writing by applicable CCO(s) to:

1. Potential Enrollees before and during Enrollment; and
2. Enrollees thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the policy with respect to any particular service (which is the date on which applicable CCO(s) provide written approval of such policy).

## REFERENCES

410-141-3585 MCE Member Relations: Education and Information

42 CFR 438.102 Provider-enrollee communications

## Revision History

Date:	Description
01/24/2020	New policy to meet contractual obligations
11/08/2021	Updates based on Annual Review
12/31/2022	Updates based on Annual Review
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