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§ 483.55 Dental services.

The facility must assist residents in obtaining routine and 24-hour emergency dental care.

- (a) Skilled nursing facilities. A facility (1) Must provide or obtain from an outside resource, in accordance with § 483.75(h) of this part, routine and emergency dental services to meet the needs of each resident;
- (2) May charge a Medicare resident an additional amount for routine and emergency dental services;
- (3) Must if necessary, assist the resident--
- (i) In making appointments; and
 - (ii) By arranging for transportation to and from the dentist's office; and
- (4) Promptly refer residents with lost or damaged dentures to a dentist.
- (b) Nursing facilities. The facility (1) Must provide or obtain from an outside resource, in accordance with § 483.75(h) of this part, the following dental services to meet the needs of each resident:
- (i) Routine dental services (to the extent covered under the State plan); and
- (ii) Emergency dental services;
- (2) Must, if necessary, assist the resident--
- (i) In making appointments; and
 - (ii) By arranging for transportation to and from the dentist's office; and
- (3) Must promptly refer residents with lost or damaged dentures to a dentist.

Statutory Authority

AUTHORITY NOTE APPLICABLE TO ENTIRE PART:

Secs. 1102, 1128I and 1871 of the Social Security Act ([42 U.S.C. 1302](#), 1320a-7j, and 1395hh).

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