

Dental Single-Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Facility Demonstration Project
Annual Evaluation Report Summary
Surgical Center for Dental Professionals
Year 1 (FFY 10/01/2018– 9/30/2019)

Surgical Center for Dental Professionals received a license September 26, 2018 to operate as a dental single specialty ambulatory surgical facility pursuant to the demonstration project in the *2016 State Medical Facilities Plan (Plan)*. The facility is required to submit an annual report to the Agency showing its compliance with the demonstration project criteria in Table 6D in the *2016 Plan*. The Agency received the first annual report on May 29, 2020 for FFY 10/01/2018-9/30/2019.

Based on the facility's information regarding the number of and payor source of the patients served, the Agency was able to verify that the facility met the project criterion that at least 3% of total patients served annually be charity care patients and at least 30% be Medicaid recipients. During the facility's first year of operation, 3.8% of patients were charity care and 73% were Medicaid recipients. (Attachment A)

Surgical Center for Dental Professionals submitted to the Agency the information the facility submitted to the statewide data processor regarding utilization and payment data, as required by G.S. 131E-214.2 and the demonstration project criteria. Accordingly, 800 cases were performed during the reporting period, with 68% of billing attributed to the code for otherwise unlisted procedures for dentoalveolar structures. (Attachment B)

Criteria for the demonstration project include that 1) the facility provides open access to non-owner and non-employee oral surgeons and dentists and 2) surgeons have hospital staff privileges with at least one hospital and meet Emergency Department coverage responsibilities with at least one hospital. The facility reported that of the 29 surgeons practicing at the facility, 22 are either non-employees or non-owners of the practice (Attachment D), and 21 maintained privileges at area hospitals and took ER call at local hospitals as needed. The report lists the hospitals at which each surgeon has privileges and/or took ER. (Attachment E)

Based on the review of the annual report, the Agency determined that Surgical Center for Dental Professionals has met all reporting requirements of the demonstration project with one exception, and that is regarding the statewide data processor's reports. For future annual reports, the Agency requests the attachment of copies of the statewide data processor's reports rather than the data that the facility submitted to the processor. In addition, the Agency determined that Surgical Center for Dental Professionals materially complies the demonstration project criteria in Table 6D in the *2016 Plan* and the conditions on the certificate of need.