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Dominion National Announces Additional Benefits for Members, Dentists to Help During COVID-19

Arlington, VA - Dominion National, a leading dental insurer and administrator of dental and vision benefits headquartered in Arlington, Va., today announced expanded benefits for dental members and payments to participating dentists through the rest of the year to help cover the cost of personal protective equipment (PPE).

Due to COVID-19, members may not have recently had access to dental care and, as a result, dentists have experienced lower patient volumes and increased costs for enhanced infectious disease control. Dominion is offering the following benefit enhancements and support to dentists to incentivize members' return to dental offices in 2020:

- **Prevention Rewards**

As an incentive to encourage members to get back to the dentist, Dominion is offering all commercial group PPO and ePPO dental clients who receive one in-network cleaning between June 15, 2020 and December 31, 2020 a \$20 cash reward. This is an enhancement to the company's innovative Prevention Rewards program that has been tested and well received by several large group clients and was recently added to Dominion's small group dental products.

- **Increased Annual Maximum**

To help offset the time period in which members may not have been able to visit the dentist, Dominion is automatically increasing annual maximums for in-network services by 25% for all Dominion commercial group PPO and ePPO fully insured members for the remainder of 2020.

- **Teledentistry Coverage Extension**

Dominion will allow benefits for in-network teledentistry consultations through the end of the year for limited and problem-focused evaluation and re-evaluation (CDT codes: D0140, D0170 and D0171). Any teledentistry services provided after June 15th will count toward any applicable benefit frequency limitations.

- **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Payment for Dentists**

Dominion will provide payments to its participating dentists of \$5 per in-network PPO, ePPO or Preventive covered plan visit to help with the costs of PPE, which includes N95 masks, gowns and other protective equipment designed to help with infectious disease control due to COVID-19. PPE payments will begin for services starting June 15, 2020 and may extend through the end of the year. Prevention Reward payments and PPE payments are subject to change based on state mandates and experience.

"We are pleased to offer additional coverage and solutions that will allow our customers to maximize their dental benefit dollars in 2020 despite COVID-19," said President Mike Davis. "We also understand the unprecedented challenges faced by our dentists and want to help support them during this time while providing members access to the dental office either in person or through teledentistry when appropriate. Between the benefit enhancements and support to our dental community we are pleased to play a role in ensuring the satisfaction and well-being of our customers."

Dominion will be distributing communications to its clients announcing the applicable enhancements.

About Dominion National

Dominion National, incorporated in 1996, is an agile and innovative provider and administrator of dental and vision benefits. Dominion serves over 900,000 members, including leading health plans, employer groups, municipalities, associations and individuals among its diverse client base. For more information, please visit DominionNational.com or follow Dominion National on Facebook, LinkedIn or Twitter.

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