

## HR 4439

Medicaid Dental Benefit Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

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Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Jul 30, 2021
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Aug 13, 2021
Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Feb 3, 2022
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie Ann [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Apr 11, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 19, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Medicaid Dental Benefit Act**

This bill requires state Medicaid programs to cover dental and oral health services for adults. It also increases the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (i.e., federal matching rate) for such services.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services must develop oral health quality and equity measures and conduct outreach relating to such coverage. Additionally, the Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Payment and Access Commission must report on specified information relating to adult oral health care.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 19, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 16, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 16, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.