

Hi Julie,

It was good talking with you. As we discussed, services provided by a dental therapist are billed through the dentist's name for Delta Dental of Minnesota commercial insurance and public programs administered by Delta Dental of Minnesota. The rate paid for dental therapy services is 100% of the payment rate for dentists.

Only straight MA (billed directly to the state) and Dentaquest require a dental therapist to bill under their own separate National Provider ID. For more information on how this works, here is the MN Department of Human Services billing guidance for Dental Therapists:

[http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET\\_DYNAMIC\\_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=dhs16\\_166842](http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=dhs16_166842)

Here is a link to the CDT codes for each of the duties within the scope of practice for Dental Therapists (approved by the MN Board of Dentistry)

[https://mn.gov/boards/assets/Delegated%20Duties\\_tcm21-46116.pdf](https://mn.gov/boards/assets/Delegated%20Duties_tcm21-46116.pdf)

For additional insight, this is a good general resource for information that was designed for use by employers of dental therapists:

<http://mchoralhealth.org/mn/dental-therapy/index.html>

I hope this is helpful. Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions!

Best regards,  
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