

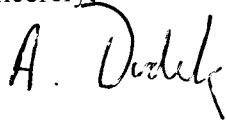
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Dear Dr. Dehen:

Thank you for your letter regarding Tufts Health Plan's revised coverage policy for spinal manipulation in children. While Tufts Health Plan acknowledges the potential benefits of chiropractic care in adults, our Medical Affairs Medical Policy (MAMP) Committee determined that these services will not be covered for children less than 12 years of age. The MAMP Committee based this decision on a review of the available medical literature. This policy is consistent with that of a high quality competitor health plan in our region.

Sincerely,



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