**Dental Care Supply**

**Maine (ME) Notes**

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* I used the ME file from the dropbox for the BOD dentists. The file was uploaded on dropbox on 7.15.20. Because the file required payment, the file from 7.15.20 was used rather than a more updated file.
* The “IKN\_processed.csv” file and “[NP\_national\_w\_extra\_col\_2n.csv](http://localhost:8888/view/Dental%20Care%20Supply/NP_national_w_extra_col_2n%20(1).csv)” files were used
* Anything that mentioned “hygienist” was disregarded according to recent dropbox updates.
* I used the PA/IL code on dropbox to help formulate my code for ME
* The BOTH + BOD FTE sum of dentists is 1,363. The 2018 ADA total is 712.
* All BOD rows that had blank rows (without an index) were removed.
* This BOD file, without blank rows, from 7.15.20 includes:
  + 733 rows of Dentists, without any hygienists
    - All of which are active, ME dentists with unexpired licenses.
  + The Columns Headers Include:
    - *Last Name, First Name, Middle Name, Name Suffix, Professional Suffix, License Number, License Description, Expiration, addr1, City, State, Zip Code, County, Specialty, License Status*
* The IKN-NPPES match rate was 98%
* The overall IKN match rate was initially 50%.
  + I tried to match the IKN to BOD without any initial filters. This only raised the match rate to 53%.
  + After investigation, there is no clear reasoning why the match rate is so low, other than a low percentage of dentists accept public health insurance.
* After Exclusions, there were only Medicaid values. No BOTH or CHIP.