

# THE BIOGRAPHY OF

## CHERYL A. LERNER DMD

CAREFIRST DENTAL DIRECTOR



Dr. Cheryl Lerner began at CareFirst in 2018 with 36 years of experience in the dental field, including private general practice, and more recently, over 20 years in the dental and health care insurance industry. She has led teams with responsibility for both clinical quality assurance and utilization management, as well as dental network development and servicing. She is pleased and proud to present the annual CareFirst Dental Symposium.

Dr. Lerner earned both her undergraduate and dental degrees at the University of Pennsylvania and completed a general practice residency at Albert Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia prior to practicing and teaching part time in Penn dental school's clinic. She relocated to the DC area where she established her private practice and raised her family. She moved into the administrative side of dentistry in 1995, overseeing the utilization review area. In 2001, she worked as the Dental Compliance Officer at the MD State Board of Dental Examiners, and then returned to health insurance, developing the dental network at MAMSI, then at Delta Dental of Pennsylvania. As the Chief Clinical Officer at Delta Dental of Colorado, she took charge of both the network and quality managements areas and worked within the CO community to educate various stakeholders on the need to integrate dental and medical as a critical concept in the overall health of patients. At CareFirst, Dr. Lerner is a part of the medical director team and serves as a subject matter expert to the various related departments such as Networks, Sales, Claims and Service. She also serves as a board member for the Maryland State Dental Association Foundation, the Program Chair for the American Association of Dental Consultants and is a member of the Baltimore City Dental Society, MSDA and ADA.