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Instructions for Use

This Utilization Review Guideline is designed to provide guidance for the adjudication of claims for United Healthcare Medicare Advantage Dental Plans, and includes only the CDT codes for which clinical documentation is required with related links to the policies and coverage guidelines approved by the Dental Clinical Policy and Technology Committee. Specific plan coverage, exclusions or limitations of the Level 1, Level 6 F, Level 6 S Platforms and Platinum Riders will supersede these criteria. UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to modify its Policies and Guidelines as necessary. This Utilization Review Guideline is provided for informational purposes. It does not constitute medical advice.

Notes:

- For a full listing of Dental Clinical Policies and Coverage Guidelines, refer to UHCprovider.com > Menu > Policies and Protocols > Dental Clinical Policies and Coverage Guidelines.
- For further CDT code description and information, please refer to the most current version of the CDT Dental Procedures Codes released by the American Dental Association (ADA).

Documentation Requirements

A comprehensive, detailed medical record is key to promoting quality care and improving patient safety. For the services outlined in the grid below, specific documentation that is needed in order to make a determination on coverage is listed in the Documentation Requirement column. Please submit this information with your request for coverage.

To ensure the best health outcomes for our members, we may periodically require providers to submit documentation for services that do not have specific documentation requirements listed below.

Diagnostic

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Diagnostic Ima	aging: Image Capture with In	terpretation	
D0364	Cone beam CT capture and interpretation with limited field of view - less than one whole jaw	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	Cone Beam Computed Tomography
D0365	Cone beam CT capture and interpretation with field of view of one full dental arch - mandible	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	Cone Beam Computed Tomography
D0366	Cone beam CT capture and interpretation with field of view of one full dental arch - maxilla, with or without cranium	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	Cone Beam Computed Tomography
D0367	Cone beam CT capture and interpretation with field of view of both jaws; with or without cranium	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	Cone Beam Computed Tomography
D0368	Cone beam CT capture and interpretation for TMJ series including two or more exposures	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	Cone Beam Computed Tomography
Diagnostic Ima	aging: Image Capture Only		
D0380	Cone beam CT image capture with limited field of view - less than one whole jaw	 Narrative of necessity including planned procedure 	Cone Beam Computed Tomography
D0381	Cone beam CT image capture with field of view of one full dental arch - mandible	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	Cone Beam Computed Tomography
D0382	Cone beam CT image capture with field of view of one full dental arch - maxilla, with or without cranium	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	Cone Beam Computed Tomography
D0383	Cone beam CT image capture with field of view of both jaws; with or without cranium	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	Cone Beam Computed Tomography
D0384	Cone beam CT image capture for TMJ series including two or more exposures	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	Cone Beam Computed Tomography

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Diagnostic Ima	Diagnostic Imaging: Interpretation and Report Only		
D0391	Interpretation of diagnostic image by a practitioner not associated with capture of the image, including report	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	N/A
Diagnostic Ima	Diagnostic Imaging: Post Processing of Image or Image Sets		
D0393	Virtual treatment simulation using 3D image volume or surface scan	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	N/A
D0394	Digital subtraction of two or more images or image volumes of the same modality;	Narrative of necessity including planned procedure	N/A
D0395	Fusion of two or more 3D image volumes of one or more modalities	 Narrative of necessity including planned procedure 	N/A

Restorative

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Amalgam Rest	torations (Including Polishing	1)	
D2140	Amalgam - one surface, primary or permanent	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct Restorations
D2150	Amalgam - two surfaces, primary or permanent	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct Restorations
D2160	Amalgam - three surfaces, primary or permanent	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct Restorations
D2161	Amalgam - four or more surfaces, primary or permanent	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct Restorations
Resin-Based C	composite Restorations - Dire	ect	
D2330	Resin-based composite - one surface, anterior	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct RestorationsLabial Veneers
D2331	Resin-based composite - two surfaces, anterior	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct RestorationsLabial Veneers
D2332	Resin-based composite - three surfaces, anterior	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct RestorationsLabial Veneers
D2335	Resin-based composite - four or more surfaces or involving incisal angle (anterior)	If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling	 Single Tooth Direct Restorations Labial Veneers

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Resin-Based C	omposite Restorations - Dir	rect	
D2390	Resin-based composite crown, anterior	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs or patient is too young for radiographs 	Single Tooth Direct Restorations
D2391	Resin-based composite - one surface, posterior	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct Restorations
D2392	Resin-based composite - two surfaces, posterior	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct Restorations
D2393	Resin-based composite - three surfaces, posterior	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct Restorations
D2394	Resin-based composite - four or more surfaces, posterior	 If tooth has existing crown: narrative of necessity for filling 	Single Tooth Direct Restorations
Inlay/Onlay Re	storations	'	
D2542	Onlay - metallic - two surfaces	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs or patient is too young for radiographs 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2543	Onlay - metallic - three surfaces	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2544	Onlay - metallic - four or more surfaces	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Inlay/Onlay Re	storations: Porcelain/Ceram	ic Inlays/Onlays Include all Indire	ct Ceramic and Porcelain Type
Inlays/Onlays			
D2610	Inlay - porcelain/ceramic - one surface	Current, dated pre-operative radiograph of toothNarrative of necessity	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2620	Inlay - porcelain/ceramic - two surfaces	Current, dated pre-operative radiograph of toothNarrative of necessity	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2630	Inlay - porcelain/ceramic - three or more surfaces	 Current, dated pre-operative radiograph of tooth Narrative of necessity 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2642	Onlay - porcelain/ceramic - two surfaces	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2643	Onlay - porcelain/ceramic - three surfaces	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2644	Onlay - porcelain/ceramic - four or more surfaces	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
Inlay/Onlay Re	storations: Resin-Based Con	nposite Inlays/Onlays Must Utilize	Indirect Technique
D2650	Inlay - resin-based composite - one surface	Current, dated pre-operative radiograph of tooth	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2651	Inlay - resin-based composite - two surfaces	 Narrative of necessity Current, dated pre-operative radiograph of tooth Narrative of necessity 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2652	Inlay - resin-based composite - three or more surfaces	Current, dated pre-operative radiograph of toothNarrative of necessity	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations

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Inlay/Onlay Re	estorations: Resin-Based Con	nposite Inlays/Onlays Must Utilize	Indirect Technique
D2662	Onlay - resin-based composite - two surfaces	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2663	Onlay - resin-based composite - three surfaces	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2664	Onlay - resin-based composite - four or more surfaces	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
Crowns - Sing	le Restorations Only		
D2710	Crown - resin-based composite (indirect)	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2712	Crown - 3/4 resin-based composite (indirect)	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations

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Crowns - Sing	le Restorations Only		
D2720	Crown - resin with high noble metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2721	Crown - resin with predominantly base metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2722	Crown - resin with noble metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2740	Crown - porcelain/ceramic	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2750	Crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations

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Crowns - Sing	le Restorations Only		
D2751	Crown - porcelain fused to predominantly base metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2752	Crown - porcelain fused to noble metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2753	Crown – porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2780	Crown - 3/4 cast high noble metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2781	Crown - 3/4 cast predominantly base metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations

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Crowns - Sing	le Restorations Only		
D2782	Crown - 3/4 cast noble metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2783	Crown - 3/4 porcelain/ceramic	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2790	Crown - full cast high noble metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2791	Crown - full cast predominantly base metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2792	Crown - full cast noble metal	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations

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Crowns - Sing	le Restorations Only		
D2794	Crown - titanium and titanium alloys	 Current dated pre-operative bitewing radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs; if diagnosis is cracked tooth syndrome, specific diagnostic tests performed 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
D2799	Interim crown-further treatment or completion of diagnosis necessary prior to final impression	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of teeth Narrative that states what further treatment or diagnosis is medically necessary. 	Single Tooth Indirect Restorations
Other Restora	tive Services		
D2949	Restorative foundation for an indirect restoration	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs 	Core Buildup, Post and Core and Pin Retention
D2950	Core buildup, including any pins when required	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of teeth Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs 	Core Buildup, Post and Core and Pin Retention
D2952	Post and core in addition to crown, indirectly fabricated	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of teeth Narrative indicating completed root canal therapy Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs 	Core Buildup, Post and Core and Pin Retention
D2953	Each additional indirectly fabricated post - same tooth	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of teeth Narrative indicating completed root canal therapy Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs 	Core Buildup, Post and Core and Pin Retention

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Restorat	ive Services		
D2954	Prefabricated post and core in addition to crown	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of teeth Narrative indicating completed root canal therapy Narrative of necessity and/or treatment records when decay is not evident on submitted radiographs 	Core Buildup, Post and Core and Pin Retention
D2957	Each additional prefabricated post - same tooth	Current dated pre-operative radiographs of teeth	Core Buildup, Post and Core and Pin Retention

Endodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Endodontic Re	etreatment		
D3346	Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - anterior	Current dated pre-operative radiographs of toothNarrative of necessity	Non-Surgical Endodontics
D3347	Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - premolar	Current dated pre-operative radiographs of toothNarrative of necessity	Non-Surgical Endodontics
D3348	Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - molar	Current dated pre-operative radiographs of toothNarrative of necessity	Non-Surgical Endodontics
Apicoectomy/	Periradicular Services		
D3410	Apicoectomy - anterior	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth Narrative of necessity including history of root canal therapy 	Surgical Endodontics
D3421	Apicoectomy - premolar (first root)	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth Narrative of necessity including history of root canal therapy 	Surgical Endodontics
D3425	Apicoectomy - molar (first root)	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth Narrative of necessity including history of root canal therapy 	Surgical Endodontics
D3426	Apicoectomy (each additional root)	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth Narrative of necessity including history of root canal therapy 	Surgical Endodontics
D3450	Root amputation - per root	Current dated pre-operative radiographs of toothNarrative of necessity	Surgical Endodontics
D3471	Surgical repair of root resorption - anterior	 Narrative indicating history of root canal therapy 	Surgical Endodontics

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Apicoectomy/I	Periradicular Services		
D3472	Surgical repair of root resorption - premolar	 Narrative indicating history of root canal therapy 	Surgical Endodontics
D3473	Surgical repair of root resorption - molar	 Narrative indicating history of root canal therapy 	Surgical Endodontics
Other Endodor	ntic Procedures		
D3920	Hemisection (including any root removal), not including root canal therapy	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Endodontics

Periodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
rgical Servi	ces (Including Usual Posto	operative Care)	
D4249	Clinical crown lengthening – hard tissue	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Resective Procedures
D4260	Osseous surgery (including elevation of a full thickness flap and closure) - four or more contiguous teeth or tooth bounded spaces per quadrant	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity History of previous non-surgical therapies 	Surgical Periodontics: Resective Procedures
D4261	Osseous surgery (including elevation of a full thickness flap and closure) - one to three contiguous teeth or tooth bounded spaces per quadrant	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity History of previous non-surgical therapies 	Surgical Periodontics: Resective Procedures
D4263	Bone replacement graft - retained natural tooth - first site in quadrant	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	 Biologic Materials for Soft and Hard Tissue Regeneration Bone Replacement Grafts Dental Care Services in an Operating Room or Ambulatory Surgery Center
D4264	Bone replacement graft - retained natural tooth - each additional site in quadrant	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	 Biologic Materials for Soft and Hard Tissue Regeneration Bone Replacement Grafts Dental Care Services in an Operating Room or Ambulatory Surgery Center

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Surgical Service	ces (Including Usual Posto	pperative Care)	
D4265	Biologic materials to aid in soft and osseous tissue regeneration, per site	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Documentation of name of material used. Narrative of necessity 	Biologic Materials for Soft and Hard Tissue Regeneration Dental Care Services in an Operating Room or Ambulatory Surgery Center Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures
D4266	Guided tissue regeneration, natural teeth - resorbable barrier, per site	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Dental Barrier Membrane Guided Tissue Regeneration
D4267	Guided tissue regeneration, natural teeth - non-resorbable barrier, per site	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Dental Barrier Membrane Guided Tissue Regeneration
D4268	Surgical revision procedure, per tooth	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	 Dental Care Services in an Operating Room or Ambulatory Surgery Center Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures
D4270	Pedicle soft tissue graft procedure	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures
D4273	Autogenous connective tissue graft procedure (including donor and recipient surgical sites) first tooth, implant, or edentulous tooth position in graft	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures
D4274	Mesial/distal wedge procedure, single tooth (when not performed in conjunction with surgical procedures in the same anatomical area)	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Resective Procedures

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Surgical Service	ces (Including Usual Posto	operative Care)	
D4275	Non-autogenous connective tissue graft (including recipient site and donor material) first tooth, implant, or edentulous tooth position in graft	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures
D4276	Combined connective tissue and pedicle graft, per tooth	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures
D4277	Free soft tissue graft procedure (including recipient and donor surgical sites) first tooth, implant or edentulous tooth position in graft	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures
D4278	Free soft tissue graft procedure (including recipient and donor surgical sites) each additional contiguous tooth, implant or edentulous tooth position in same graft site	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures
D4283	Autogenous connective tissue graft procedure (including donor and recipient surgical sites) - each additional contiguous tooth, implant or edentulous tooth position in same graft site	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures
D4285	Non-autogenous connective tissue graft procedure (including recipient surgical site and donor material) - each additional contiguous tooth, implant or edentulous tooth position in same graft site	 Current dated pre-operative radiographs of tooth/area of problem Complete 6-point periodontal charting Narrative of necessity 	Surgical Periodontics: Mucogingival Procedures

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	Periodontal Service	2 coamonation rioquirement	Total age of total agreement of the second o	
D4341	Periodontal scaling and root planing - four or more teeth per quadrant	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Complete 6-point periodontal charting 	Non-Surgical Periodontal Therapy	
D4342	Periodontal scaling and root planing - one to three teeth per quadrant	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Complete 6-point periodontal charting 	Non-Surgical Periodontal Therapy	
D4381	Localized delivery of antimicrobial agents via a controlled release vehicle into diseased crevicular tissue, per tooth	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Complete 6-point periodontal charting Dates of previous scaling and root planing 	Non-Surgical Periodontal Therapy	
Other Periodontal Services				
D4910	Periodontal maintenance	 Narrative specifying dates of previous scaling and root planing or osseous surgery 	Non-Surgical Periodontal Therapy	

Removable Prosthodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Partial Denture	es (Including Routine Post	-Delivery Care)	
D5211	Maxillary partial denture - resin base (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5212	Mandibular partial denture - resin base (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5213	Maxillary partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5214	Mandibular partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Partial Denture	es (Including Routine Post	-Delivery Care)	
D5221	Immediate maxillary partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5222	Immediate mandibular partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5223	Immediate maxillary partial denture – cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth)	Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction	Removable Prosthodontics
D5224	Immediate mandibular partial denture – cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth)	Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction	Removable Prosthodontics
D5225	Maxillary partial denture - flexible base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5227	Immediate maxillary partial denture – flexible base (including any clasps, rests and teeth)	Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction.	Removable Prosthodontics
D5228	Immediate mandibular partial denture – flexible base (including any clasps, rests and teeth)	Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction.	Removable Prosthodontics
D5226	Mandibular partial denture - flexible base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Partial Denture	es (Including Routine Post	-Delivery Care)	
D5282	Removable unilateral partial denture - one piece cast metal (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5283	Removable unilateral partial denture - one piece cast metal (including rententive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5284	Removable unilateral partial denture - one piece flexible base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth)	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5286	Removable unilateral partial denture – one piece resin (including retentive/ clasping materials, rests, and teeth) – per quadrant	 Panoramic radiograph or full series Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
Denture Rebas	se Procedures		
D5710	Rebase complete maxillary denture	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5711	Rebase complete mandibular denture	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5720	Rebase maxillary partial denture	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5721	Rebase mandibular partial denture	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5725	Rebase hybrid prosthesis	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
Denture Reline	Procedures		
D5730	Reline complete maxillary denture (direct)	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5731	Reline complete mandibular denture (direct)	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5740	Reline maxillary partial denture (direct)	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Denture Reline	Procedures		
D5741	Reline mandibular partial denture (direct)	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5750	Reline complete maxillary denture (indirect)	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5751	Reline complete mandibular denture (indirect)	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5760	Reline maxillary partial denture (indirect)	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5761	Reline mandibular partial denture (indirect)	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
D5765	Soft liner for complete or partial removable denture - indirect	Date of initial denture delivery	Removable Prosthodontics
Interim Prosthe	esis		
D5810	Interim complete denture (maxillary)	 Narrative of medical necessary. If extractions have not yet been performed: dates of planned extractions 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5811	Interim complete denture (mandibular)	 Narrative of medical necessary. If extractions have not yet been performed: dates of planned extractions 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5820	Interim partial denture (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth), maxillary; Includes any necessary clasps and rests.	 Narrative of medical necessary. If extractions have not yet been performed: dates of planned extractions 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5821	Interim partial denture (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth), mandibular	 Narrative of medical necessary. If extractions have not yet been performed: dates of planned extractions 	Removable Prosthodontics
Other Removal	ble Prosthetic Services		
D5862	Precision attachment, by report	 Current, dated pre-operative radiograph of tooth Narrative of necessity 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5863	Overdenture - complete maxillary	Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction	Removable Prosthodontics
D5864	Overdenture - partial maxillary	 Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Remova	ble Prosthetic Services		
D5865	Overdenture - complete mandibular	 Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics
D5866	Overdenture - partial mandibular	 Documentation of all missing teeth and teeth planned for extraction 	Removable Prosthodontics

Maxillofacial Prosthetics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Remova	ble Prosthetic Services		
D5911	Facial moulage (sectional)	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5912	Facial moulage (complete)	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5913	Nasal prosthesis	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5914	Auricular prosthesis	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5915	Orbital prosthesis	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5916	Ocular prosthesis	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Remova	ble Prosthetic Services		_
D5919	Facial prosthesis	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5922	Nasal septal prosthesis	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5923	Ocular prosthesis, interim	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5924	Cranial prosthesis	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5925	Facial augmentation implant prosthesis	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5926	Nasal prosthesis, replacement	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5927	Auricular prosthesis, replacement	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5928	Orbital prosthesis, replacement	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Remova	ble Prosthetic Services		
D5931	Obturator prosthesis, surgical	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5932	Obturator prosthesis, definitive	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5933	Obturator prosthesis, modification	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5934	Mandibular resection prosthesis with guide flange	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5935	Mandibular resection prosthesis without guide flange	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5936	Obturator prosthesis, interim	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure Anticipated duration of use 	N/A
D5937	Trismus appliance (not for TMD treatment)	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure. Measurement of maximum opening 	N/A
D5951	Feeding aid	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure. 	N/A

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Remova	ble Prosthetic Services		
D5952	Speech aid prosthesis, pediatric	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5953	Speech aid prosthesis, adult	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5954	Palatal augmentation prosthesis	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5955	Palatal lift prosthesis, definitive	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5958	Palatal lift prosthesis, interim	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure Anticipated duration of use 	N/A
D5959	Palatal lift prosthesis, modification	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5960	Speech aid prosthesis, modification	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5982	Surgical stent	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Remova	ble Prosthetic Services		
D5984	Radiation shield	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5985	Radiation cone locator	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5987	Commissure splint	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5988	Surgical splint	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5992	Adjust maxillofacial prosthetic appliance, by report	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5993	Maintenance and cleaning of a maxillofacial prosthesis (extra- or intra-oral) other than required adjustments, by report	Narrative explaining need for procedure	N/A
Carriers			
D5983	Radiation carrier	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D5986	Fluoride gel carrier	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Carriers			
D5991	Vesiculobullous disease medicament carrier	 Diagnosis Previous or anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

Fixed Prosthodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Fixed Partial D	enture Pontics		
D6205	Pontic – indirect resin based composite	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6210	Pontic – cast high noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6211	Pontic - cast predominantly base metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6212	Pontic - cast noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6214	Pontic - titanium	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6240	Pontic – porcelain fused to high noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6241	Pontic – porcelain fused to predominantly base metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6242	Pontic – porcelain fused to noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6243	Pontic – porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6245	Pontic - porcelain/ceramic	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6250	Pontic - resin with high noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6251	Pontic - resin with predominantly base metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Fixed Partial D	enture Pontics		
D6252	Pontic – resin with noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6253	Provisional pontic – further treatment of completion of diagnosis necessary prior to final impression	 Full arch radiographs Dental charting indicating missing teeth Narrative that states what further treatment or diagnosis is medically necessary. 	Fixed Prosthodontics
Fixed Partial D	enture Retainers - Inlays/	Onlays	
D6545	Retainer – cast metal for resin bonded fixed prosthesis	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6548	Retainer – porcelain/ceramic for resin bonded fixed prosthesis	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6549	Resin retainer – for resin bonded fixed prosthesis	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6600	Inlay – porcelain/ceramic, two surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6601	Inlay – porcelain/ceramic, three or more surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6602	Inlay – cast high noble metal, two surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6603	Inlay - cast high noble metal, three or more surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6605	Inlay – cast predominantly base metal, three or more surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6606	Inlay – cast noble metal, two surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6607	Inlay - cast noble metal, three or more surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6608	Onlay – porcelain/ceramic, two surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6609	Onlay – porcelain/ceramic, three or more surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Fixed Partial I	Denture Retainers - Inlays/	Onlays	
D6610	Retainer onlay - cast high noble metal, two surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6611	Retainer onlay - cast high noble metal, three or more surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6612	Retainer onlay - cast predominantly base metal, two surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6613	Retainer onlay - cast predominantly base metal, three or more surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6614	Retainer onlay - cast noble metal, two surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6615	Retainer onlay - cast noble metal, three or more surfaces	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6624	Retainer inlay - titanium	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6634	Retainer onlay - titanium	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
Fixed Partial I	Denture Retainers - Crown	s	
D6710	Retainer crown - indirect resin based composite	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6720	Retainer crown - resin with high noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6721	Retainer crown - resin with predominantly base metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6722	Retainer crown - resin with noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6740	Retainer crown - porcelain/ceramic	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6750	Retainer crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics
D6751	Retainer crown - porcelain fused to predominantly base metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy	
Fixed Partial D	enture Retainers – Crowns	-		
D6752	Retainer crown - porcelain fused to noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6753	Retainer crown - porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6780	Retainer crown - 3/4 cast high noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6781	Retainer crown - 3/4 cast predominantly base metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6782	Retainer crown - 3/4 cast noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6783	Retainer crown - 3/4 porcelain/ceramic	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6784	Retainer crown 3/4 - titanium and titanium alloys	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6790	Retainer crown - full cast high noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6791	Retainer crown - full cast predominantly base metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6792	Retainer crown - full cast noble metal	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6793	Interim retainer crown - further treatment or completion of diagnosis necessary prior to final impression	 Full arch radiographs Dental charting indicating missing teeth Narrative that states what further treatment or diagnosis is medically necessary. 	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6794	Retainer crown - titanium and titanium alloys	Full arch radiographsDental charting indicating missing teeth	Fixed Prosthodontics	
Other Fixed Partial Denture Services				
D6920	Connector bar	Current dated pre-operative radiographsNarrative of necessity	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6940	Stress breaker	Current dated pre-operative radiographsNarrative of necessity	Fixed Prosthodontics	
D6950	Precision attachment	Current dated pre-operative radiographsNarrative of necessity	Fixed Prosthodontics	

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Fixed Pa	rtial Denture Services		
D6980	Fixed partial denture repair necessitated by restorative material failure	Narrative of necessity	Fixed Prosthodontics

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy		
Extractions (In	Extractions (Includes Local Anesthesia, Suturing if Needed, and Routine Postoperative Care)				
D7220	Removal of impacted tooth – soft tissue	Panoramic radiographNarrative of necessity	Surgical Extraction of Impacted Teeth		
D7230	Removal of impacted tooth – partially bony	Panoramic radiographNarrative of necessity	Surgical Extraction of Impacted Teeth		
D7240	Removal of impacted tooth – completely bony	Panoramic radiographNarrative of necessity	Surgical Extraction of Impacted Teeth		
D7241	Removal of impacted tooth – completely bony, with unusual surgical complications	Panoramic radiographNarrative of necessity	Surgical Extraction of Impacted Teeth		
Other Surgical	Procedures				
D7261	Primary closure of a sinus perforation	Current pre-operative panoramic radiographNarrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures		
D7292	Placement of temporary anchorage device [screw retained plate] requiring flap	Current full mouth radiographsNarrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Orthodontic Related Procedures		
D7293	Placement of temporary anchorage device requiring flap	Current full mouth radiographsNarrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Orthodontic Related Procedures		
D7294	Placement of temporary anchorage device without flap	Current full mouth radiographsNarrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Orthodontic Related Procedures		
D7295	Harvest of bone for use in autogenous grafting procedure	Current full mouth radiographsNarrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures		
D7296	Corticotomy - one to three teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant	Current full mouth radiographsNarrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Orthodontic Related Procedures		
D7297	Corticotomy - four or more teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant	Current full mouth radiographsNarrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Orthodontic Related Procedures		
D7298	Removal of temporary anchorage device [screw retained plate], requiring flap	Narrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Orthodontic Related Procedures		

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Surgica	l Procedures	·	
D7299	Removal of temporary anchorage device, requiring flap	Narrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Orthodontic Related Procedures
D7300	Removal of temporary anchorage device without flap	Narrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Orthodontic Related Procedures
Excision of So	ft Tissue Lesions		
D7410	Excision of benign lesion up to 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	N/A
D7411	Excision of benign lesion greater than 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	N/A
D7412	Excision of benign lesion, complicated	Narrative of necessityPathology report	N/A
D7413	Excision of malignant lesion up to 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	N/A
D7414	Excision of malignant lesion greater than 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	N/A
D7415	Excision of malignant lesion, complicated	Narrative of necessityPathology report	N/A
D7465	Destruction of lesion(s) by physical or chemical method, by report	Narrative of necessityMethod of destruction	N/A
Excision of Int	ra-Osseous Lesions		
D7440	Excision of malignant tumor - lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	N/A
D7441	Excision of malignant tumor - lesion diameter greater than 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	N/A
D7450	Removal of benign odontogenic cyst or tumor - lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	 Coverage Criteria Cyst is not attached to or removed with tooth Size, color or consistency indicates need for pathology examination
D7451	Removal of benign odontogenic cyst or tumor - lesion diameter greater than 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	 Coverage Criteria Cyst is not attached to or removed with tooth Size, color or consistency indicates need for pathology examination
D7460	Removal of benign nonodontogenic cyst or tumor - lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	Presence of hard, attached or freely movable raised or erythematous lesion

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
	ra-Osseous Lesions	•	
D7461	Removal of benign nonodontogenic cyst or tumor - lesion diameter greater than 1.25 cm	Narrative of necessityPathology report	Presence of hard, attached or freely movable raised or erythematous lesion
Excision of Bo	ne Tissue	'	'
D7490	Radical resection of maxilla or mandible	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
Surgical Incision	on		
D7509	Marsupialization of odontogenic cyst	DiagnosisNarrative of necessity	N/A
Treatment of F	ractures		
D7610	-Maxilla - open reduction (teeth immobilized, if present)	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7620	Maxilla - closed reduction (teeth immobilized, if present)	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7630	Mandible - open reduction (teeth immobilized, if present)	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7640	Mandible - closed reduction (teeth immobilized, if present)	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7650	Malar and/or zygomatic arch - open reduction	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7660	Malar and/or zygomatic arch - closed reduction	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7670	Alveolus - closed reduction, may include stabilization of teeth	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Treatment of F	ractures		
D7671	Alveolus - open reduction, may include stabilization of teeth	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7680	Facial bones - complicated reduction with fixation and multiple surgical approaches	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7710	Maxilla - open reduction	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7720	Maxilla - closed reduction	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7730	Mandible - open reduction	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7740	Mandible - closed reduction	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7750	Malar and/or zygomatic arch - open reduction	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7760	Malar and/or zygomatic arch - closed reduction	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7770	Alveolus - open reduction stabilization of teeth	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7771	Alveolus, closed reduction stabilization of teeth	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Treatment of F	ractures		
D7780	Facial bones - complicated reduction with fixation and multiple approaches	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
Reduction of D	Dislocation and Managem	ent of Other Temporomandibular Joir	nt Dysfunctions
D7810	Open reduction of dislocation	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7820	Closed reduction of dislocation	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7830	Manipulation under anesthesia	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7840	Condylectomy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7850	Surgical discectomy, with/without implant	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7852	Disc repair	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7854	Synovectomy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7856	Myotomy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7858	Joint reconstruction	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Reduction of I	Dislocation and Managem	ent of Other Temporomandibular Joi	nt Dysfunctions
D7860	Arthrotomy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7865	Arthroplasty	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7870	Arthrocentesis	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7871	Non-arthroscopic lysis and lavage	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7872	Arthroscopy - diagnosis, with or without biopsy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7873	Arthroscopy: lavage and lysis of adhesions	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7874	Arthroscopy: disc repositioning and stabilization	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7875	Arthroscopy: synovectomy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7876	Arthroscopy: discectomy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7877	Arthroscopy: debridement	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7880	Occlusal orthotic device, by report	TMJ radiographsNarrative of necessity	Occlusal Guards

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Repair F	Procedures		
D7921	Collection and application of autologous blood concentrate product	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures
D7940	Osteoplasty - for orthognathic deformities	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7941	Osteotomy - mandibular rami	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7943	Osteotomy - mandibular rami with bone graft	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7944	Osteotomy - segmented or subapical	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7945	Osteotomy - body of mandible	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7946	Lefort I (maxilla - total)	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7947	Lefort I (maxilla - segmented)	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7948	Lefort II or lefort III (osteoplasty of facial bones for midface hypoplasia or retrusion) - without bone graft	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7949	Lefort II or lefort III - with bone graft; Includes obtaining autografts	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Other Repair P	Procedures	-	· ·
D7950	Osseous, osteoperiosteal, or cartilage graft of the mandible or maxilla - autogenous or nonautogenous, by report	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Bone Replacement Grafts
D7951	Sinus augmentation with bone or bone substitutes via a lateral open approach	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures
D7952	Sinus augmentation via a vertical approach	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures
D7953	Bone replacement graft for ridge preservation - per site	 Current dated radiograph of the tooth to be extracted Narrative of necessity or chart notes indicating the type of prosthesis placed or type of prosthesis treatment planned and anticipated date of placement 	Bone Replacement Grafts
D7955	Repair of maxillofacial soft and/or hard tissue defect	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Oral Surgery: Non-Pathologic Excisional Procedures
D7956	Guided tissue regeneration, edentulous area - resorbable barrier, per site	Current pre-operative radiograph of areaNarrative of necessity	Dental Barrier Membrane Guided Tissue Regeneration
D7957	Guided Tissue Regeneration, Edentulous Area - Non- Resorbable Barrier, Per Site	Current pre-operative radiograph of areaNarrative of necessity	Dental Barrier Membrane Guided Tissue Regeneration
D7972	Surgical Reduction Of Fibrous Tuberosity	Radiographs of areaNarrative of necessity	Oral Surgery: Non-Pathologic Excisional Procedures
D7979	Non - Surgical Sialolithotomy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures

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Other Repair F	Procedures	-	
D7980	Surgical Sialolithotomy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures
D7981	Excision Of Salivary Gland, By Report	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures
D7982	Sialodochoplasty	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures
D7983	Closure Of Salivary Fistula	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Oral Surgery: Miscellaneous Surgical Procedures
D7991	Coronoidectomy	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7993	Surgical Placement Of Craniofacial Implant - Extra Oral	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7994	Surgical Placement: Zygomatic Implant	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7995	Synthetic graft - mandible or facial bones, by report	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7996	Implant-mandible for augmentation purposes (excluding alveolar ridge), by report	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A
D7997	Appliance removal (not by dentist who placed appliance), includes removal of archbar	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

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Other Repair P	rocedures		
D7998	Intraoral placement of a fixation device not in conjunction with a fracture	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	N/A

Adjunctive General Services

CDT Code	Code Description	Documentation Requirements	Coverage Criteria/Related Dental Policy
Unclassified T	reatment		
D9130	Temporomandibular joint dysfunction - non-invasive physical therapies	 Diagnosis Previous anticipated surgical or nonsurgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure Modalities used 	N/A
Anesthesia			
D9222	Deep sedation/general anesthesia - first 15 minutes	 Anesthesia/Sedation Record including start time and stop time Narrative of necessity 	General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Services
D9223	Deep sedation/general anesthesia – each 15 minute increment	 Anesthesia/Sedation Record including start time and stop time Narrative of necessity 	General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Services
D9230	Inhalation of nitrous oxide/anxiolysis, analgesia	Narrative of necessity	General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Services
D9239	Intravenous moderate (conscious) sedation/anesthesia – first 15 minutes	 Anesthesia/Sedation Record including start time and stop time Narrative of necessity 	General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Services
D9243	Intravenous moderate (conscious) sedation/analgesia – each 15 minute increment	 Anesthesia/Sedation Record including start time and stop time Narrative of necessity 	General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Services
D9248	Non-intravenous conscious sedation	Narrative of necessity	General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Services
Drugs			
D9610	Therapeutic parenteral drug, single administration	Narrative of necessityName of medication used and route of administration	In-Office Drug Administration and Dispensing of Medications
D9612	Therapeutic parenteral drugs, two or more administrations, different medications	Narrative of necessityName of medication used and route of administration	In-Office Drug Administration and Dispensing of Medications

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Drugs			
D9630	Drugs or medicaments dispensed in the office for home use	Narrative of necessityName of drug or medication	In-Office Drug Administration and Dispensing of Medications
Miscellaneous	Services		
D9920	behavior management, by report	Narrative of necessity	Appropriate in cases where substantial time and effort is expended in allaying the patient's fear and apprehension. Narrative required
D9930	Treatment of complications (post-surgical) - unusual circumstances, by report	 Diagnosis Associated surgical treatment Narrative explaining need for procedure 	Narrative and/or radiographic images required (e.g., dry socket, extensive hemorrhage)
D9944	Occlusal Guard - Hard Appliance, Full Arch	Panoramic radiograph or full seriesNarrative of necessity	Occlusal Guards
D9945	Occlusal Guard - Soft Appliance, Full Arch	Panoramic radiograph or full seriesNarrative of necessity	Occlusal Guards
D9946	Occlusal Guard - Hard Appliance, Partial Arch	Panoramic radiograph or full seriesNarrative of necessity	Occlusal Guards
D9947	Custom Sleep Apnea Appliance Fabrication And Placement	Copy of medical diagnosis and sleep study	N/A

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Date	Summary of Changes
01/01/2024	New Dental Utilization Review Guideline

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