

**NEW YORK STATE
MEDICAID PROGRAM**

DENTAL

PROCEDURE CODES

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GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. A. Reimbursement for services listed in the New York State Fee Schedule for Dental Services is limited to the lower of the fee indicated for the specific service or the provider's usual and customary charge to the general public when there is a significant difference between the two fees. The Fee Schedule is available at: <http://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/Dental/index.html>

The dental procedure codes are grouped into sections as follows:

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- B. **“MANAGED CARE”**: If a recipient is enrolled in a managed care or other capitated program which covers the specific care or services being provided, it is inappropriate to bill such services to the Medicaid Program on a fee-for-service basis whether or not prior approval has been obtained. **It is the provider’s responsibility to verify each recipient’s eligibility.**
2. Article 28 facility reimbursement is based upon a rate rather than on fees for specific services rendered. Article 28 facilities use rate codes when billing. **Article 28 facilities must adhere to the Program policies as outlined.**
3. "BR": When the value of a procedure is to be determined "By Report" (BR), as indicated in the Fee Schedule, information concerning the nature, extent and need for the procedure or service, the time, the skill and the equipment necessary, must be furnished. Appropriate documentation (e.g., operative report, procedure description, and/or itemized invoices and name/dosage of therapeutic agents) must accompany all claims submitted. **Do not submit radiographs with claims for payment.** To ensure appropriate payment in the context of current Medicaid fees, bill your **usual and customary** amount on all “BR” procedure codes.
4. "OPERATIVE REPORT": To be acceptable as "By Report" documentation, the operative report must include the following information:
 - a. Diagnosis (post operative)
 - b. Size, location and number of lesion(s) or procedure(s) where appropriate.

- c. Major surgical procedure and supplementary procedure(s).
 - d. Whenever possible, list the nearest similar procedure by code number.
 - e. Estimated follow-up period.
 - f. Operative time.
5. "CHILDREN'S DENTAL SERVICES": Effective June 1, 2000, a child is defined as anyone under age 21 years, except where otherwise noted. For services provided on or after **April 1, 2001**, the fee published is applicable to both children and adults.
6. "PRIOR APPROVAL": Payment for those listed procedures where the procedure code number is underlined is dependent upon obtaining the approval of the Department of Health prior to performance of the procedure. If such prior approval is not obtained, no reimbursement will be made. See the billing section of this Manual for information on completion and submission of prior approval requests.
7. **"DISPENSING VALIDATION": When the description is preceded by "#", Medicaid Eligibility Verification System (MEVS) dispensing validation is required. If a DVS request is rejected prior approval can be sought.**
8. "SURFACE/TOOTH/QUADRANT/ARCH": Certain procedure codes require specification of surface, tooth, quadrant or arch when billing (fields 46 and/or 47). These specifications are indicated after the procedure code description by the following abbreviations:
- Specify surface: (SURF)
 - Specify tooth: (TOOTH)
 - Specify quadrant: (QUAD)
 - Specify arch: (ARCH)

When more than one specification is required, both specifications are included, for example, (SURF/TOOTH).

See Billing Section of this Manual for surface, tooth, quadrant and arch designations.

9. "INTERRUPTED TREATMENT": The following is a list of procedures that may be billed in a case of interrupted treatment **after** the date of the decisive appointment. For example, a recipient loses Medicaid coverage **after** a decisive appointment and failure to complete the service would result in undue hardship to the recipient. Another example could be a case where treatment was interrupted for other reasons **after** a decisive appointment that **did not result in a completed service**. In a case of interrupted treatment due to loss of eligibility **before** a decisive appointment, **partial reimbursement may be considered**. When billing for interrupted treatment, use the billing code most relevant to the interrupted treatment, as indicated below. **In the "Procedure Description" field, describe location and complete details of the procedure for which payment is being requested. To receive reimbursement, the provider must use as the date of service on the claim form the date the decisive appointment was completed.**

Dental Procedure Codes

<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Approved/ Multiple Visit Procedures</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Decisive Appointment</u>
Space Maintainers	D1510, D1515	D0999	Tooth Preparation
Crowns	D2710-D2792 D2952	D2999	Tooth Preparation
Root Canal Therapy	D3310-D3348 D3351-D3353	D3999 D3999	Initial Root Canal Visit Apexification/ recalcification
Complete Dentures	D5110-D5120	D5899	Final Impression
Partial Dentures	D5211-D5214	D5899	Final Impression
Denture Repairs	D5510-D5660	D5899	Acceptance of denture for repair
Denture Rebase	D5710-D5721	D5899	Final Impression
Denture Relining	D5750-D5761	D5899	Final Impression
Other Prosthetic Services	D5820-D5899	D5899	Final Impression
Maxillofacial Prosthetics	D5911-D5999	D5999	Final Impression
Bridge Pontics	D6210-D6252	D6999	Preparation of abutment teeth
Bridge Retainers	D6545-D6792	D6999	Preparation of abutment teeth
Other Fixed Prosthetic Services	D6970, D6972	D6999	Tooth preparation
Orthodontic Treatment	D8670, D8070, D8080, D8090	D8999 D8999	Placement of appliances and beginning of active treatment Date of initial appliance placement
Orthodontic Retention	D8680	D8999	Completion of active treatment
Occlusal Guards	D9940	D8999	Final Impression

CODE

DESCRIPTION

I. DIAGNOSTIC D0100 - D0999

CLINICAL ORAL EVALUATIONS

D0120 Periodic oral evaluation established patient

Includes charting, history, treatment plan, and completion of forms. The initial dental examination of a new patient shall consist of a comprehensive clinical examination of the oral cavity and teeth. It shall include charting, history recording, pulp testing when indicated, and may be supplemented by appropriate radiographic studies. Recall dental examinations shall be limited to one per six-month period and shall include charting and history necessary to update and supplement initial oral examination data.

D0140 Limited oral evaluation - problem focused (emergency oral examination)

Refers to exams to evaluate emergency conditions. Typically patients are seen for a specific problem and/or present with dental emergencies, trauma, acute infections, etc. Not used in conjunction with a regular appointment. Cannot be billed with D0120; D0160; D9110; D9310; D9430. Not intended for follow-up care or therapeutic procedures.

D0160 Detailed and extensive oral evaluation - problem focused

Includes medical and dental history, evaluation of chief complaint, intra and extraoral examination, vital signs and completion of forms. This procedure will include most or all of these items and will be reimbursable no more than once per provider-patient relationship in a period of 90 days. This is the only type of examination that will be reimbursable in conjunction with the provision of services. It may be utilized only in preparation for definitive and impending treatment to be rendered by the practitioner. The procedure will not be reimbursed if performed within ninety days of a consultation or observation (code D0120, D0140, D9110, D9310 or D9430) by the same provider.

RADIOGRAPHS/DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING (Including Interpretation)

All radiographs, whether digitalized or conventional, must be of good diagnostic quality, properly **mounted, dated, positionally orientated** and **identified** with the recipient's name and provider name and address. Proper technique in taking and processing of x-ray films will reduce the need to expose patients to unnecessary, additional radiation. The cost of all materials and equipment used shall be included in the fee for the radiograph.

Medicaid claims payment decisions for types, numbers and frequency of radiographs will be related to individual patient needs, dental age, past dental history and radiographic findings, and, most importantly, clinical findings.

Radiographs must be made available for review upon request of the Department of Health. They will be returned after each review and must be retained by the provider for six years from the date of payment.

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DESCRIPTION

Minimum requirements apply to submission of radiographs with prior approval requests. The minimum number of pre-treatment radiographs needed for proper diagnosis and the evaluation of the overall dental condition must accompany all requests for prior approval. For edentulous patients, occlusal or panoramic radiographs may be used. If all extractions were performed under Medicaid or if Medicaid approved a previous full denture, it may not be necessary to submit current radiographs.

D0210 Intraoral; complete series (including bitewings)

Minimum of 14 films. A provider will be reimbursed only once in three years for each recipient. A provider will not be reimbursed for an intraoral complete series prior to the complete eruption of a patient's permanent second molars. Exceptions may be situations including orthodontic consultation, juvenile periodontitis, and other suspected, extensive pathological conditions, which require documentation that should accompany a claim as an attachment. An attachment should contain the clinical findings including the nature and complexity of the patient's condition indicating that additional radiographs would have high probability of affecting the diagnosis and treatment of a clinical problem.

D0220 periapical first film

To be billed only for the first periapical film when only periapical films are taken.

D0230 periapical each additional film

When periapical films are taken in conjunction with bitewing(s), occlusal films or a panoramic radiograph, use procedure code 00230 for **all** periapical films. The total fee for additional intraoral films may not exceed the total fee allowed for a complete intraoral series.

D0240 occlusal film (ARCH)

Reimbursable **only once in three years**. Only two are allowed per patient (maxillary and mandibular), but they may be supplemented by necessary intraoral periapical or bitewing films.

D0250 Extraoral; first film

Not reimbursable for temporomandibular joint radiographs.

D0260 each additional film

Maximum of two films, **not** reimbursable for temporomandibular joint radiographs.

D0270 Bitewing; single film

D0272 two films

D0274 four films

Bitewings are allowed no more than once in six months for each recipient. **The procedure code is an indication of the number of films performed. Do not fill in "Times Performed" on the claim form.**

CODE**DESCRIPTION**

D0290 **Posterior-anterior or lateral skull and facial bone survey film**
(3 films minimum)

D0310 **Sialography**

D0320 **Temporomandibular joint arthrogram, including injection**

D0321 **Other temporomandibular joint films** (per joint)

D0330 **Panoramic film**

Reimbursable every three years if clinically indicated. For use in routine caries determination, diagnosis of periapical or periodontal pathology **only** when supplemented by other necessary diagnostic intraoral radiographs (bitewings or periapicals), completely edentulous cases, diagnosis of impacted teeth, oral surgery treatment planning, or diagnosis of children with mixed dentition. Postoperative panoramic radiographs are reimbursable for post-surgical evaluation of fractures, dislocations, orthognathic surgery, osteomyelitis, or removal of unusually large and/or complex cysts or neoplasms. To expedite claim processing, enter the status of the condition within the "Procedure Description" field of the claim form. Panoramic radiographs are **not** reimbursable when an intraoral complete series or another panoramic radiograph has been taken within **three years**, except for diagnosis of a new condition (e.g. traumatic injury).

D0340 **Cephalometric film**

Reimbursement is limited to once per year and only to enrolled orthodontists or oral and maxillofacial surgeons for the purpose of treatment of a physically handicapping malocclusion.

D0350 **Oral/facial photographic images (includes intra and extraoral images)**

This includes both traditional photographs and images obtained by intraoral cameras. These images should be a part of the patient's clinical record. Excludes conventional radiographs. Reimbursement is limited to enrolled orthodontists or oral and maxillofacial surgeons.

D0470 **Diagnostic casts** (includes both arches when necessary)

Reimbursement is limited to enrolled orthodontists or oral and maxillofacial surgeons.

D0999 **Unspecified diagnostic procedure**

II. PREVENTIVE D1000 - D1999

DENTAL PROPHYLAXIS

Dental prophylaxis is reimbursable in addition to an initial dental examination and recall examinations, once per six-month period. For periodontal maintenance, see code D4910.

D1110 **Prophylaxis; adult** (13 years of age and older)

D1120 **child** (under 13 years of age)

CODE

DESCRIPTION

TOPICAL FLUORIDE TREATMENT (OFFICE PROCEDURE)

A semi-annual topical fluoride treatment is reimbursable when professionally administered in accordance with appropriate standards. Fluoride treatments that are not reimbursable under the program include treatments that incorporate fluoride with prophylaxis paste, topical application of fluoride to the prepared portion of a tooth prior to restoration, and applications of aqueous sodium fluoride.

D1203 **Topical application of fluoride (prophylaxis not included); child**
(under 21 years of age)

D1204 **adult** (21 years of age and older)

21 years of age and older: submit documentation of medical necessity with claim.

D1206 **Topical fluoride varnish; therapeutic application for moderate to high caries risk patients**

OTHER PREVENTIVE SERVICES

D1351 **#Sealant – per tooth** (TOOTH) (Between 5 and 15 years of age)

See Rule 7 in the General Information and Instructions section

Application of sealant shall be restricted to previously unrestored permanent first and second molars that exhibit no clinical or radiographic signs of occlusal or proximal caries for patients **between 5 and 15 years of age**. Buccal and lingual grooves are included in the fee. The use of opaque or tinted sealant is recommended for ease of checking bond efficacy. Reapplication if necessary is permitted **once every three years**.

SPACE MAINTENANCE (PASSIVE APPLIANCES)

Only fixed appliances are Medicaid reimbursable. Documentation including pre-treatment radiographs to justify all space maintenance appliances must be available upon request. Space maintenance should not be provided as an isolated service. All carious teeth must be restored before placement of any space maintainer. The patient should be practicing a sufficient level of oral hygiene to assure that the space maintainer will not become a source of further carious breakdown of the dentition. All permanent teeth in the area of space maintenance should be present and developing normally.

Space maintenance in the deciduous dentition (defined as prior to the interdigitation of the first permanent molars) will generally be reimbursable.

Space maintenance in the mixed dentition initiated within one month of the necessary extraction will be reimbursable on an individual basis. Space maintenance in the mixed dentition initiated more than one month after the necessary extraction, with minimum space loss apparent, may be reimbursable.

D1510 **Space maintainer - fixed; unilateral** (QUAD)

D1515 **bilateral** (ARCH)

D1550 **Recementation of space maintainer**

CODE

DESCRIPTION

III. RESTORATIVE D2000 - D2999

Effective April 1, 2003, there is no longer a code or fee distinction between primary and permanent teeth for restorative purposes.

The maximum fee for restoring a tooth with either amalgam or composite resin material will be the fee allowed for placement of a four-surface restoration. With the exception of the placement of reinforcement pins (use code D2951), fees for amalgam and composite restorations include tooth preparation, all adhesives (including amalgam and composite bonding agents), acid etching, cavity liners, bases, curing and pulp capping.

For codes D2140, D2330 and D2391, only a single restoration will be reimbursable per surface. Occlusal surface restorations including all occlusal pits and fissures, will be reimbursed as one-surface restorations whether or not the transverse ridge of an upper molar is left intact. Codes D2150, D2160, D2161, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2781, D2392, D2393, and D2394 are compound restorations encompassing 2, 3, 4 or more contiguous surfaces.

Restoration of deciduous teeth when exfoliation is reasonably imminent will not be routinely reimbursable. Claims submitted for the restoration of deciduous cuspids and molars for children 10 years of age or older, or for deciduous incisors in children 5 years of age or older will be pended for professional review. As a condition for payment, it may be necessary to submit, upon request, radiographs and other information to support the appropriateness and necessity of these restorations.

A one-surface posterior restoration is one in which the restoration involves only one of the five surface classifications (mesial, distal, occlusal, lingual, or facial, including buccal and lingual.)

A two-surface posterior restoration is one in which the restoration extends to two of the five surface classifications.

A three-surface posterior restoration is one in which the restoration extends to three of five surface classifications.

A four-or-more surface posterior restoration is one in which the restoration extends to four or more of the five surface classifications.

A one-surface anterior proximal restoration is one in which neither the lingual nor facial margins of the restoration extend beyond the line angle.

A two-surface anterior proximal restoration is one in which either the lingual or facial margin of the restoration extends beyond the line angle.

A three-surface anterior proximal restoration is one in which both the lingual and facial margins extend beyond the line angle.

A four-or-more surface anterior restoration is one in which both the lingual and facial margins extend beyond the line angle and the incisal angle is involved. The restoration might also involve all four surfaces of an anterior tooth and not involve the incisal angle.

CODE **DESCRIPTION**

AMALGAM RESTORATIONS (INCLUDING POLISHING)

- D2140 **Amalgam; one surface, primary or permanent (SURF/TOOTH)**
- D2150 **two surfaces, primary or permanent (SURF/TOOTH)**
- D2160 **three surfaces, primary or permanent (SURF/TOOTH)**
- D2161 **four or more surfaces, primary or permanent (SURF/TOOTH)**

RESIN-BASED COMPOSITE-RESTORATIONS DIRECT

- D2330 **Resin-based composite; one surface, anterior (SURF/TOOTH)**
- D2331 **two surfaces, anterior (SURF/TOOTH)**
- D2332 **three surfaces, anterior (SURF/TOOTH)**
- D2335 **four or more surfaces or involving incisal angle (anterior)**
SURF/TOOTH)
- D2390 **Resin-based composite crown, anterior (TOOTH)**
- D2391 **Resin-based composite; one surface, posterior (SURF/TOOTH)**
Used to restore a carious lesion into the dentin or a deeply eroded area into the dentin.
Not a preventive procedure.
- D2392 **two surfaces, posterior (SURF/TOOTH)**
- D2393 **three or more surfaces, posterior (SURF/TOOTH)**
- D2394 **four or more surfaces, posterior (SURF/TOOTH)**

CROWNS - SINGLE RESTORATIONS ONLY

Codes D2710, D2720, D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, and D2752 will only be reimbursed for anterior teeth and maxillary first bicuspid when indicated.

Crowns will not be routinely approved when functional replacement of tooth contour with other restorative materials is possible, or for a molar tooth in those patients age 21 and over which has been endodontically treated without prior approval from the Department of Health. Also, crowns will not be routinely approved when there are eight natural or prosthetic bicuspid and/or molars (four maxillary and four mandibular teeth) in functional contact with each other.

D2710 **Crown – resin-based composite; (indirect) (laboratory) (TOOTH)**

Acrylic (processed) jacket crowns may be approved as restorations for severely fractured anterior teeth.

- D2720** **with high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D2721** **with predominantly base metal (TOOTH)**
- D2722** **with noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D2740** **Crown; porcelain/ceramic substrate (TOOTH)**
- D2750** **porcelain fused to high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D2751** **porcelain fused to predominately base metal (TOOTH)**
- D2752** **porcelain fused to noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D2780** **3/4 cast high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D2781** **3/4 cast predominantly base metal(TOOTH)**

CODE

DESCRIPTION

<u>D2782</u>	3/4 cast noble metal (TOOTH)
<u>D2790</u>	full cast high noble metal (TOOTH)
<u>D2791</u>	full cast predominately base metal (TOOTH)
<u>D2792</u>	full cast noble metal (TOOTH)

OTHER RESTORATIVE SERVICES

D2920 Recement crown (TOOTH)

Claims for recementation of a crown by the original provider within one year of placement, or claims for subsequent recementations of the same crown, will be pended for professional review. Documentation to justify the need and appropriateness of such recementations may be required as a condition for payment. This information can be abbreviated and should be placed in the "Procedure Description" field of the claim form.

D2930 Prefabricated stainless steel crown; primary tooth (TOOTH)

The provider must have available adequate radiographic evidence as justification for the use of stainless steel crowns, or other documentation if radiographs do not demonstrate the need for stainless steel crowns in a particular case.

D2931 permanent tooth (TOOTH)

D2932 Prefabricated resin crown (TOOTH)

Must encompass the complete clinical crown and should be utilized with the same criteria as for full crown construction. This procedure is limited to one occurrence per tooth within two years. If replacement becomes necessary during that time, claims submitted will be pended for professional review. To justify the appropriateness of replacements, documentation must be included within the "Procedure Description" field of the claim form or as a claim attachment. Placement on deciduous anterioris is generally not reimbursable past the age of five years.

D2933 Prefabricated stainless steel crown with resin window (TOOTH)

Restricted to anterior teeth, bicuspid and maxillary first molars.

D2951 Pin retention - per tooth, in addition to restoration (TOOTH)

Reimbursement is allowed once per tooth regardless of the number of pins placed.

D2952 Post and core in addition to crown (TOOTH), indirectly fabricated

D2954 Prefabricated post and core in addition to crown (TOOTH)

Core is built around a prefabricated post. The procedure includes core material.

D2955 Post removal (not in conjunction with endodontic therapy) (TOOTH)

For removal of posts (e.g. fractured posts)

D2980 Crown repair (TOOTH)

Includes removal of crown, if necessary.

D2999 Unspecified restorative procedure

CODE

DESCRIPTION

IV. ENDODONTICS D3000 - D3999

All radiographs taken during the course of root canal therapy and all post-treatment radiographs are included in the fee for the root canal procedure. At least one pre-treatment radiograph demonstrating the need for the procedure, and one post-treatment radiograph that demonstrates the result of the treatment, must be maintained in the patient's record.

Surgical root canal treatment or apicoectomy may be considered appropriate and covered when the root canal system cannot be acceptably treated non-surgically, there is active root resorption, or access to the canal is obstructed. Treatment may also be covered where there is gross over or under extension of the root canal filling, periapical or lateral pathosis persists, or there is a fracture of the root.

Eight posterior natural or prosthetic teeth in occlusion (four maxillary and four mandibular teeth in functional contact with each other) will be considered adequate for functional purposes. Requests for endodontic therapy will be reviewed for necessity based upon the presence/absence of eight points of natural or prosthetic occlusal contact in the mouth (bicuspid/molar contact).

In cases of emergency, use procedure code "D9110 Palliative (emergency) treatment of dental pain – minor procedure". Only symptomatic relief is to be provided until such time as cases have been submitted for review and a prior approval determination has been made. Procedures completed without prior approval will not be reimbursable. Back dated prior approvals will not be issued.

Provision of root canal therapy is not considered appropriate when the prognosis of the tooth is questionable or when a reasonable alternative course of treatment would be extraction of the tooth and replacement. Root canal therapy will not be approved in association with an existing or proposed prosthesis in the same arch, unless the tooth is a critical abutment, or unless its replacement by addition to an existing prosthesis is not feasible. If the total number of teeth which require, or are likely to require, root canal therapy or apical surgery would be considered excessive or when maintenance of the tooth is not considered essential or appropriate in view of the overall dental status of the patient, treatment will not be covered. Pulp capping is not reimbursable.

PULPOTOMY

D3220 Therapeutic pulpotomy (excluding final restoration)- removal of pulp coronal to the dentinocemental junction and application of medicament (TOOTH)

Pulpotomy is the surgical removal of a portion of the pulp with the aim of maintaining the vitality of the remaining portion by means of an adequate dressing. To be performed on primary or permanent teeth **up until the age of 21 years.**

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This is not to be considered as the first stage of root canal therapy. Pulp capping (placement of protective dressing or cement over exposed or nearly exposed pulp for protection from injury or as an aid in healing and repair) is not reimbursable. This procedure code may not be used when billing for an "emergency pulpotomy", which should be billed as palliative treatment.

ENDODONTIC THERAPY ON PRIMARY TEETH

Endodontic therapy on primary teeth with succedaneous teeth and placement of resorbable filling. This includes pulpectomy, cleaning, and filling of canals with resorbable material.

D3230 Pulpal therapy (resorbable filling) – anterior, primary tooth (excluding final restoration) (TOOTH)

Primary incisors and cuspids.

D3240 Pulpal therapy (resorbable filling) – posterior, primary tooth (excluding final restoration) (TOOTH)

Primary first and second molars.

ENDODONTIC THERAPY (INCLUDING TREATMENT PLAN, CLINICAL PROCEDURES AND FOLLOW-UP CARE)

Includes primary teeth without succedaneous teeth and permanent teeth. Complete root canal therapy. Pulpectomy is part of root canal therapy. Includes all appointments necessary to complete treatment; also includes intra-operative radiographs. Does not include diagnostic evaluation and necessary radiographs/diagnostic images.

D3310 Anterior (excluding final restoration) (TOOTH)

Multiple anterior pulpectomies will generally not be approved.

D3320 Bicuspid (excluding final restoration) (TOOTH)

Also for treatment on primary first and second molars with no permanent successor tooth.

D3330 Molar (excluding final restoration) (TOOTH)

Molar endodontics is not approvable as a routine procedure. Prior approval requests will be considered for patients under age 21 who display good oral hygiene, have healthy mouths with a full complement of natural teeth with a low caries index and/or who may be undergoing orthodontic treatment. In those patients age 21 and over, molar endodontic therapy will be considered only in those instances where the tooth in question is a critical abutment for an existing functional prosthesis.

ENDODONTIC RETREATMENT

D3346 Retreatment of previous root canal therapy; anterior (TOOTH)

D3347 bicuspid (TOOTH)

D3348 molar (TOOTH)

<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
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APEXIFICATION/RECALCIFICATION PROCEDURES

D3351 Apexification/recalcification; initial visit (apical closure/calcific repair of perforations, root resorption, etc.) (TOOTH)

Includes opening tooth, pulpectomy, preparation of canal spaces, first placement of medication and necessary radiographs. Includes the first phase of complete root canal therapy.

D3352 interim medication replacement (apical closure/calcific repair of perforations, root resorption, etc.) (TOOTH)

For visits in which the intracanal medication is replaced with new medication and necessary radiographs. There may be several of these visits. Published fee is the maximum reimbursable amount regardless of the number of visits.

D3353 final visit (apical closure/calcific repair of perforations, root resorption, etc.) (TOOTH)

Includes the removal of intracanal medication and procedures necessary to place final root canal filling material including necessary radiographs. Includes last phase of complete root canal therapy.

APICOECTOMY/PERIRADICULAR SERVICES

D3410 Apicoectomy/periradicular surgery; anterior (TOOTH) (per tooth)

Performed as a separate surgical procedure for a single rooted tooth and includes periapical curettage.

D3421 bicuspid (first root) (TOOTH)

D3425 molar (first root) (TOOTH)

D3426 each additional root (TOOTH)

Performed as a separate surgical procedure for multirouted teeth and includes periapical curettage.

D3430 Retrograde filling - per root (TOOTH)

OTHER ENDODONTIC PROCEDURES

D3999 Unspecified endodontic procedure

V. PERIODONTICS D4000 - D4999

SURGICAL SERVICES (INCLUDING USUAL POST-OPERATIVE CARE)

D4210 Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty – four or more contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant (QUAD)

CODE

DESCRIPTION

This surgical procedure is reimbursable solely for the correction of severe hyperplasia or hypertrophy associated with drug therapy, hormonal disturbances or congenital defects. Documentation to verify these conditions must accompany these claims as attachments. For fewer than four teeth, prorate the fee at 25 percent of the total for each tooth treated.

NON-SURGICAL PERIODONTAL SERVICES

D4341 Periodontal scaling and root planing - four or more teeth per quadrant (QUAD)(at least four teeth)

This procedure may be billed for those patients who have periodontal pockets and sub-gingival accretions on cemental surfaces in the quadrant(s) being treated. Periodontal scaling and root planing involves instrumentation of the crown and root surfaces of the teeth to remove plaque and calculus. It is indicated for patients with periodontal disease and is therapeutic, not prophylactic, in nature. Root planing is the definitive procedure designed for the removal of cementum and dentin that is rough, and/or permeated by calculus or contaminated with toxins or microorganisms. Some soft tissue removal occurs. Reimbursement is limited to no more than **two quadrants** on a single date of service with no more than **four different quadrant reimbursements within a two-year period**. Dental prophylaxis is reimbursable prior to periodontal scaling and root planing and **will not** be reimbursed on the same date as procedure code D4341. Prior approval may be requested for more frequent treatment. For fewer than four teeth, prorate the fee at 25 percent of the total for each tooth treated.

The provider must supply documentation of the need for periodontal scaling and root planing as a claim attachment. Include a copy of the pre-treatment evaluation of the periodontium, a general description of the tissues (e.g., color, shape, and consistency), the location and measurement of periodontal pockets, the description of the type and amount of bone loss, the periodontal diagnosis, the amount and location of subgingival calculus deposits, and tooth mobility.

OTHER PERIODONTIC SERVICES

D4910 Periodontal Maintenance

This procedure is for patients who have previously been treated for periodontal disease. Typically, maintenance starts 90 days after completion of active (surgical or non-surgical) periodontal therapy. D4910 is not billable on the same date of service as codes D1110 or D4341. Reimbursement for D4910 is limited to twice per year.

D4999 Unspecified periodontal procedure

CODE

DESCRIPTION

VI. PROSTHODONTICS (Removable) D5000 - D5899

All prosthetic appliances such as complete dentures, partial dentures, denture duplication and relining procedures include six months of post-delivery care. Placement of immediate dentures and the use of dental implants and related services are beyond the scope of the program. Complete and/or partial dentures will be approved only when existing prostheses are not serviceable or cannot be relined or rebased. Reline or rebase of an existing prostheses will not be reimbursed when such procedures are performed in addition to a new prostheses for the same arch.

If a recipient's health would be adversely affected by the absence of a prosthetic replacement, **and** the recipient could **successfully** wear a prosthetic replacement, such a replacement will be considered. In the event that the recipient has a record of not successfully wearing prosthetic replacements in the past, or has gone an extended period of time (three years or longer) without wearing a prosthetic replacement, the prognosis is poor. Mitigating factors surrounding these circumstances should be included with the prior approval request.

Partial dentures will be approved **only** when they are required to alleviate a serious health condition including one that affects employability. **Eight natural or prosthetic teeth in occlusion (four maxillary and four mandibular teeth in functional contact with each other) are generally considered adequate for functional purposes. One missing maxillary anterior tooth or two missing mandibular anterior teeth may be considered a problem that warrants a prosthetic replacement.**

Complete or partial dentures will **not** routinely be replaced when they have been provided by the Medicaid program and become unserviceable or are lost within four years, except when they become unserviceable through extensive physiological change. If the recipient can provide documentation that reasonable care has been exercised in the maintenance of the prosthetic appliance, and it did not become unserviceable or lost through negligence, a replacement may be considered. **Prior approval requests for such replacements will not be reviewed without supporting documentation.** A verbal statement by the recipient that is then included by the provider on the prior approval request would generally **not** be considered sufficient.

COMPLETE DENTURES (INCLUDING ROUTINE POST DELIVERY CARE)

D5110 #Complete denture; maxillary

D5120 #mandibular

For D5110, D5120 See Rule 7 in the General Information and Instructions section

PARTIAL DENTURES (INCLUDING ROUTINE POST DELIVERY CARE)

Reimbursement for **all** removable partial dentures includes a minimum of two clasps. The total number of clasps is dictated by the retentive requirements of each case, with no additional payment for necessary supplemental clasps.

<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
<u>D5211</u>	Maxillary partial denture - resin base (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth) Includes acrylic resin base denture with resin or wrought wire clasps.
<u>D5212</u>	Mandibular partial denture - resin base (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth) Includes acrylic resin base denture with resin or wrought wire clasps.
<u>D5213</u>	Maxillary partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)
<u>D5214</u>	Mandibular partial - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)

REPAIRS TO COMPLETE DENTURES

D5510	Repair broken complete denture base (QUAD)
D5520	Replace missing or broken teeth - complete denture (each tooth) (TOOTH)

REPAIRS TO PARTIAL DENTURES

D5610	Repair resin denture base (QUAD)
D5620	Repair cast framework
D5630	Repair or replace broken clasp (TOOTH)
D5640	Replace broken teeth - per tooth (TOOTH)
D5650	Add tooth to existing partial denture (TOOTH)
D5660	Add clasp to existing partial denture (TOOTH)

DENTURE REBASE PROCEDURES

Rebase – process of refitting a denture by replacing the base material.

<u>D5710</u>	Rebase; complete maxillary denture
<u>D5711</u>	complete mandibular denture
<u>D5720</u>	maxillary partial denture
<u>D5721</u>	mandibular partial denture

DENTURE RELINE PROCEDURES

For cases in which it is impractical to complete a laboratory-processed reline, office (chairside or cold cure) reline of dentures may be requested with appropriate documentation. **This procedure is not reimbursable during the six months of follow-up care included in the fee for the denture.**

<u>D5730</u>	Reline; complete maxillary denture (chairside)
<u>D5731</u>	complete mandibular denture (chairside)
<u>D5740</u>	maxillary partial denture (chairside)
<u>D5741</u>	mandibular partial denture (chairside)
D5750	complete maxillary denture (laboratory)

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D5751	complete mandibular denture (laboratory)
D5760	maxillary partial denture (laboratory)
D5761	mandibular partial denture (laboratory)

INTERIM PROSTHESIS

Reimbursement is limited to once per year and only for children between 5 and 15 years of age. Codes 05820 and 05821 are not to be used in lieu of space maintainers.

D5820	Interim partial denture (maxillary)
D5821	Interim partial denture (mandibular)

OTHER REMOVABLE PROSTHETIC SERVICES

Insertion of tissue conditioning liners in existing dentures will be limited to once per denture unit as a preparation for taking impressions for the relining of existing dentures or the fabrication of new dentures. This procedure should be billed one time at the completion of treatment, regardless of the number of visits involved. An explanation inserted in the "Procedure Description" field should be included if billed separately from the relining or new denture codes. Codes 05850 and 05851 are for therapeutic reline using materials designed to heal unhealthy ridges prior to more definitive final restoration and are not reimbursable for children under age 16.

D5850	Tissue conditioning, maxillary per denture unit
D5851	Tissue conditioning, mandibular per denture unit
D5899	Unspecified removable prosthodontic procedure

VII. MAXILLOFACIAL PROSTHETICS D5900 - D5999

D5911	Facial moulage (sectional)
D5912	Facial moulage (complete)
D5913	Nasal prosthesis
D5914	Auricular prosthesis
D5915	Orbital prosthesis
D5916	Ocular prosthesis
D5919	Facial prosthesis
D5922	Nasal septal prosthesis
D5923	Ocular prosthesis, interim
D5924	Cranial prosthesis
D5925	Facial augmentation implant prosthesis
D5926	Nasal prosthesis, replacement
D5927	Auricular prosthesis, replacement
D5928	Orbital prosthesis, replacement
D5929	Facial prosthesis, replacement
D5931	Obturator prosthesis, surgical
D5932	Obturator prosthesis, definitive
D5933	Obturator prosthesis, modification

<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
D5934	Mandibular resection prosthesis with guide flange
D5935	Mandibular resection prosthesis without guide flange
D5936	Obturator prosthesis, interim
D5937	Trismus appliance (not for TMD treatment)
D5951	Feeding aid
D5952	Speech aid prosthesis, pediatric
D5953	Speech aid prosthesis, adult
D5954	Palatal augmentation prosthesis
D5955	Palatal lift prosthesis, definitive
D5958	Palatal lift prosthesis, interim
D5959	Palatal lift prosthesis, modification
D5960	Speech aid prosthesis, modification
D5982	Surgical stent
D5983	Radiation carrier
D5984	Radiation shield
D5985	Radiation cone locator
D5986	Fluoride gel carrier (per arch)(ARCH)
D5987	Commissure splint
D5988	Surgical splint
D5999	Unspecified maxillofacial prosthesis

VIII. IMPLANT SERVICES D6000 - D6199

Implant Services are not covered

IX. PROSTHODONTICS, FIXED

**(EACH RETAINER AND EACH PONTIC CONSTITUTES A UNIT IN A
FIXED PARTIAL DENTURE) D6200 - D6999**

Fixed bridgework is generally considered beyond the scope of the Medicaid program. The fabrication of any fixed bridge may be considered only for a patient with no recent caries activity (no initial restorations placed during the past year), no unrestored carious lesions, no significant periodontal bone loss in the same arch **and** no posterior tooth loss with replaceable space in the same arch. The replacement of a missing tooth or teeth with a fixed partial denture will not be approved under the Medicaid program when either no replacement or replacement with a removable partial denture could be considered appropriate based on Medicaid prosthetic guidelines. The fabrication of fixed and removable partial dentures in the same arch or the use of double abutments will not be approved.

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The placement of a fixed prosthetic appliance will only be considered for the anterior segment of the mouth in those exceptional cases where there is a documented physical or neurological disorder that would preclude placement of a removable prosthesis, or in those cases requiring cleft palate stabilization. In cases other than for cleft palate stabilization, treatment would generally be limited to replacement of a single maxillary anterior tooth or replacement of two adjacent mandibular teeth.

For a patient whose pulpal anatomy allows crown preparation of abutment teeth without pulp exposure, the construction of a conventional fixed bridge will be approved only for the replacement of a single missing maxillary anterior tooth or two adjacent missing mandibular anterior teeth. Acid etched cast bonded bridges (Maryland Bridges) may be approved only for the replacement of a single missing maxillary anterior tooth, two adjacent missing maxillary anterior teeth, or two adjacent missing mandibular incisors. Approval will only be considered for a patient under the age of 21 or one whose pulpal anatomy precludes crown preparation of abutments without pulp exposure. Abutments for resin bonded fixed partial dentures (i.e. Maryland Bridges) should be billed using code D6545 and pontics using code D6251.

FIXED PARTIAL DENTURE PONTICS

- D6210 **Pontic; cast high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6211 **cast predominately base metal (TOOTH)**
- D6212 **cast noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6240 **porcelain fused to high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6241 **porcelain fused to predominately base metal (TOOTH)**
- D6242 **porcelain fused to noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6250 **resin with high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6251 **resin with predominately base metal (TOOTH)**
- D6252 **resin with noble metal (TOOTH)**

FIXED PARTIAL DENTURE RETAINERS-INLAYS/ONLAYS

- D6545 **Retainer - cast metal for resin bonded fixed prosthesis (TOOTH)**
Limited to abutment for resin bonded fixed partial dentures (i.e. Maryland Bridges).

FIXED PARTIAL DENTURE RETAINERS - CROWNS

- D6720 **Crown; resin with high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6721 **resin with predominately base metal (TOOTH)**
- D6722 **resin with noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6750 **porcelain fused to high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6751 **porcelain fused to predominantly base metal (TOOTH)**
- D6752 **porcelain fused to noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6780 **3/4 cast high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6790 **full cast high noble metal (TOOTH)**
- D6791 **full cast predominantly base metal**
- D6792 **full cast noble metal (TOOTH)**

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OTHER FIXED PARTIAL DENTURE SERVICES

D6930	Recement fixed partial denture (QUAD)
D6970	Post and core in addition to fixed partial denture retainer (TOOTH), indirectly fabricated
D6972	Prefabricated post and core in addition to fixed partial denture retainer (TOOTH)
D6980	Fixed partial denture repair (QUAD) (use for bridge repair and severing, per unit, per quadrant)
D6999	Unspecified, fixed prosthodontic procedure

X. ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY D7000 - D7999

All surgical procedures include the surgery and the follow-up care for the period indicated. Necessary follow-up care beyond this listed period should be billed using codes D7999 or D9110.

When multiple surgical procedures are performed on the same quadrant or arch, the claim may be pended for professional review. When extensive multiple surgical procedures are performed at the same operative session, the total reimbursement will be based upon the value of the major procedure plus 50% of the value of the lesser procedure(s). Removal of bilateral tori or bilateral impactions and multiple extractions performed at the same operative session are examples of exceptions due to the independence of the individual procedures.

When a provider performs surgical excision and removal of tumors, cysts and neoplasms, the extent of the procedure claimed must be supported by information in the patient's record. This includes radiographs, clinical findings, and operative and histopathologic reports. To expedite review and reimbursement, this material (except radiographs) should be submitted with claims for procedures that are priced "By Report." **For removal of supernumerary tooth, use code D7999.**

EXTRACTIONS (INCLUDES LOCAL ANESTHESIA, SUTURING, IF NEEDED, AND ROUTINE POSTOPERATIVE CARE)

D7140	Extraction, erupted tooth or exposed root (elevation and/or forceps removal)(TOOTH)
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SURGICAL EXTRACTIONS (INCLUDES LOCAL ANESTHESIA, SUTURING, IF NEEDED, AND ROUTINE POSTOPERATIVE CARE)

D7210	Surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring elevation of mucoperiosteal flap and removal of bone and/or section of tooth (TOOTH)
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Requires prior approval if done more than four times within one year. Includes cutting of gingiva and bone, removal of tooth structure, and closure.

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D7220 **Removal of impacted tooth; soft tissue** (TOOTH)

Occlusal surface of tooth covered by soft tissue; requires mucoperiosteal flap elevation.

D7230 **partially bony** (TOOTH)

Part of crown covered by bone; requires mucoperiosteal flap elevation, bone removal and may require segmentalization of tooth.

D7240 **completely bony** (TOOTH)

Most or all of crown covered by bone; requires mucoperiosteal flap elevation, bone removal and may require segmentalization of tooth.

D7241 **completely bony, with unusual surgical complications** (TOOTH)

Most or all of crown covered by bone; usually difficult or complicated due to factors such as nerve dissection required, separate closure of maxillary sinus required or aberrant tooth position.

D7250 **Surgical removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure)** (TOOTH)

Includes cutting of gingiva and bone, removal of tooth structure and closure.

OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURES

D7260 **Oroantral fistula closure** (QUAD)

D7261 **Primary closure of sinus perforation**

D7270 **Tooth re-implantation and/or stabilization of accidentally avulsed or displaced tooth and/or alveolus** (includes splinting) (TOOTH)

D7272 **Tooth transplantation (includes reimplantation from one site to another and splinting and/or stabilization)** (TOOTH)

D7280 **Surgical access of an unerupted tooth** (TOOTH)

An incision is made and the tissue is reflected and bone removed as necessary to expose the crown of an impacted tooth not intended to be extracted. (Also includes tooth exposure for orthodontic purposes, including the orthodontic attachments.)

D7285 **Biopsy of oral tissue; hard (bone, tooth)**

D7286 **soft**

Not to be used in conjunction with apicoectomy and periradicular curettage.

D7290 **Surgical repositioning of teeth** (TOOTH)

ALVEOPLASTY - SURGICAL PREPARATION OF RIDGE FOR DENTURES

D7310 **Alveoloplasty in conjunction with extractions – four or more teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant** (QUAD)

This procedure will be reimbursed when at least four adjacent teeth are removed, and when additional surgical procedures above and beyond the removal of the teeth are required to prepare the ridge for dentures. Not reimbursable in addition to surgical extractions in the same quadrant. Bill on same invoice as extraction to expedite review.

CODE

DESCRIPTION

D7320 Alveoloplasty not in conjunction with extractions – four or more teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant (QUAD)

The fee for each quadrant includes the recontouring of both osseous and soft tissues in that quadrant. Procedure code D7320 will not be reimbursed in conjunction with procedure code D7310 in the same quadrant.

VESTIBULOPLASTY

Vestibuloplasty may be approved when a denture could not otherwise be worn.

D7340 Vestibuloplasty - ridge extension (secondary epithelialization) (ARCH)

D7350 Vestibuloplasty - ridge extension (including soft tissue grafts, muscle reattachment, revision of soft tissue attachment and management of hypertrophied and hyperplastic tissue)(ARCH)

**SURGICAL EXCISION OF SOFT TISSUE LESIONS
(INCLUDES NON-ODONTOGENIC CYSTS)**

D7410 Excision of benign lesion; up to 1.25 cm

D7411 greater than 1.25cm

D7412 complicated

Requires extensive undermining with advancement or rotational flap closure.

D7413 Excision of malignant lesion; up to 1.25cm

D7414 greater than 1.25cm

D7415 complicated

Requires extensive undermining with advancement or rotational flap closure.

SURGICAL EXCISION OF INTRA-OSSEOUS LESIONS

Reimbursement for routine or surgical extractions includes removal of tooth, soft tissue associated with the root and curettage of the socket. Therefore, excision of tissue, particularly cyst removal under code D7450, requires supporting documentation **when billed as an adjunct to tooth extraction**. Periapical granulomas at the apex of decayed teeth will not be separately reimbursed in addition to the tooth extraction.

D7440 Excision of malignant tumor; lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm

D7441 lesion greater than 1.25 cm

D7450 Removal of odontogenic cyst or

D7451 lesion greater than 1.25 cm (QUAD)

D7460 Removal of benign nonodontogenic cyst or tumor; lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm

D7461 greater than 1.25 cm

D7465 Destruction of lesion(s) by physical or chemical methods

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EXCISION OF BONE TISSUE

D7471 **Removal of lateral exostosis (maxilla or mandible)**
 Indicate site on a separate sheet of paper submitted with the claim form.

- D7472 **Removal of torus palatinus**
- D7473 **Removal of torus mandibularis**
- D7485 **Surgical reduction of osseous tuberosity**
- D7490 **Radical resection of maxilla or mandible**

SURGICAL INCISION

Reimbursement for codes D7510 and D7520 includes insertion/removal of drains.

- D7510 **Incision and drainage of abscess; intraoral soft tissue**
- D7520 **extraoral soft tissue**
- D7530 **Removal of foreign body from mucosa, skin, or subcutaneous alveolar tissue**
- D7540 **Removal of reaction-producing foreign bodies – musculoskeletal system**

May include, but is not limited to, removal of splinters, pieces of wire, bone plates, screws, etc., from muscle and/or bone.

- D7550 **Sequestrectomy for osteomyelitis includes guttering or saucerization**
- D7560 **Maxillary sinusotomy for removal of tooth fragment or foreign body (QUAD) (Includes closure of oro-antral communication when performed concurrently.)**

TREATMENT OF FRACTURES – SIMPLE

- D7610 **Maxilla; open reduction (teeth immobilized if present)**
- D7620 **closed reduction (teeth immobilized if present)**
- D7630 **Mandible; open reduction (teeth immobilized if present)**
- D7640 **closed reduction (teeth immobilized if present)**
- D7650 **Malar and/or zygomatic arch; open reduction**
- D7660 **closed reduction**
- D7670 **Alveolus: closed reduction, may include stabilization of teeth.**
 Teeth may be wired, banded or splinted together to prevent movement (eg., Erich arch bars).
- D7671 **open reduction, may include stabilization of teeth**
 Teeth may be wired, banded or splinted together to prevent movement (eg., Erich arch bars).
- D7680 **Facial bones – complicated reduction with fixation and multiple surgical approaches**

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TREATMENT OF FRACTURES-COMPOUND

Reimbursement for codes D7710-D7740 includes splint fabrication when necessary.

D7710	Maxilla; open reduction
D7720	closed reduction
D7730	Mandible; open reduction
D7740	closed reduction
D7750	Malar and/or zygomatic arch; Open reduction
D7760	closed reduction
D7770	Alveolus – open reduction stabilization of teeth
D7771	Alveolus, closed reduction stabilization of teeth
D7780	Facial bones – complicated reduction with fixation and multiple surgical approaches

REDUCTION OF DISLOCATION AND MANAGEMENT OF OTHER TEMPOROMANDIBULAR JOINT DYSFUNCTIONS

Routine services for treatment of T.M.J. and related disorders are generally considered beyond the scope of the program. Reimbursement for temporomandibular joint dysfunctions will be permitted only in the specific conditions wherein a definitive diagnosis corroborates necessary treatment. Appropriate documentation (eg., operative report, procedure description) should accompany all claims as attachments.

D7810	Open reduction of dislocation
D7820	Closed reduction of dislocation
D7830	Manipulation under anesthesia
Usually done under general anesthesia or intravenous sedation.	
D7840	Condylectomy
D7850	Surgical discectomy; with/without implant
D7852	Disc repair
D7854	Synovectomy
D7856	Myotomy
D7858	Joint reconstruction
D7860	Arthrotomy
D7865	Arthroplasty
D7870	Arthrocentesis
D7872	Arthroscopy; diagnosis, with/without biopsy
D7873	surgical: lavage and lysis of adhesions
D7874	surgical: disc repositioning and stabilization
D7875	surgical: synovectomy
D7876	surgical: discectomy
D7877	surgical: debridement
D7880	Occlusal orthotic appliance

<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
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REPAIR OF TRAUMATIC WOUNDS

Excludes closure of surgical incisions.

D7910 **Suture of recent small wounds up to 5 cm**

COMPLICATED SUTURING (RECONSTRUCTION REQUIRING DELICATE HANDLING OF TISSUES AND WIDE UNDERMINING FOR METICULOUS CLOSURE)

Procedure codes D7911, D7912, or D7920 are to be utilized in situations requiring unusual and time-consuming techniques of repair to obtain the maximum functional and cosmetic result. The extent of the procedure claimed must be supported by information in the patient's record, including clinical findings, and "Operative Reports.

D7911 **Complicated suture; up to 5 cm**

D7912 **greater than 5 cm**

OTHER REPAIR PROCEDURES

D7920 **Skin graft (identify defect covered, location and type of graft)**

D7940 **Osteoplasty - for orthognathic deformities**

D7941 **Osteotomy; mandibular rami**

D7943 **mandibular rami with bone graft, includes obtaining the graft**

D7944 **segmented or subapical**

D7945 **body of mandible**

D7946 **Lefort I ; (maxilla-total)**

D7947 **(maxilla-segmented)**

D7948 **Lefort II or Lefort III (osteoplasty of facial bones for Midface hypoplasia or retrusion); Without bone graft (includes obtaining autographs)**

D7949 **with bone graft**

D7950 **Osseous, osteoperiosteal, or cartilage graft of the mandible or maxilla - autogenous or non autogenous, by report (includes obtaining Autograph and/or allograph material)**

D7960 **Frenulectomy (frenectomy or frenotomy)- separate procedure**

For pre-prosthetic purposes, correction of ankyloglossia, or in association with orthodontic treatment. Indication must be documented in patient record.

D7970 **Excision of hyperplastic tissue- per arch (ARCH)**

This procedure is reserved for the removal of tissue over a previous edentulous denture bearing area to improve the prognosis of a proposed prosthesis.

D7971 **Excision of pericoronal gingiva (TOOTH)**

D7972 **Surgical reduction of fibrous tuberosity**

D7980 **Sialolithotomy**

D7981 **Excision of salivary gland**

D7982 **Sialodochoplasty**

D7983 **Closure of salivary fistula**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
D7990	Emergency tracheotomy
D7991	Coronoidectomy
D7997	Appliance removal (not by dentist who placed appliance), includes removal of arch bar
Not for orthodontics. This procedure includes both arches, if necessary.	
D7999	Unspecified oral surgical procedure

XI. ORTHODONTICS D8000 - D8999

The decisive appointment for active orthodontic treatment is the time at which the total appliance(s) is/are completely activated. The placement of the component parts (e.g. brackets, bands) does not constitute complete appliance insertion or active treatment. When eligibility is lost after active orthodontic treatment has been initiated, Medicaid will continue to reimburse for orthodontia care for a period of up to six months following loss of eligibility. The treating orthodontist may decide to complete active treatment (including retention care), initiate retention care to preserve current status, or remove the appliances in cases of minimal progress during active therapy. When billing for the six-month treatment extension, submit paper claim using D8999, use the last date of eligibility for the date of service and identify the current treatment year.

INTERCEPTIVE ORTHODONTIC TREATMENT

Only orthodontists are reimbursed for codes D8050 and D8060 for rapid palatal expansion via fixed appliance. **Do not use D8050 and D8060 for removable appliance therapy** (see D8210). The key to successful interception is intervention in the incipient stages of a developing problem to lessen the severity of the malformation and eliminate its cause. Complicating factors such as skeletal disharmonies, overall space deficiency, or other conditions may require future comprehensive therapy.

- D8050 **Interceptive orthodontic treatment of the primary dentition** (rapid palatal expansion via fixed appliance only)
- D8060 **Interceptive orthodontic treatment of the transitional dentition** (rapid palatal expansion via fixed appliance only)

COMPREHENSIVE ORTHODONTIC TREATMENT

Reimbursement for codes D8070, D8080 **or** D8090 is limited to once in a lifetime as initial payment for an approved course of orthodontic treatment. The child's dentition will determine the **single code** to be used. May be billed when appliances have been placed and active treatment has been initiated on or after June 1, 2000 **or** on the date the first quarter of treatment has been completed **and** no reimbursement has been made for the case. For quarterly payment, see code D8670.

- D8070 **Comprehensive orthodontic treatment of the transitional dentition**
- D8080 **Comprehensive orthodontic treatment of the adolescent dentition**

CODE

DESCRIPTION

D8090 **Comprehensive orthodontic treatment of the adult dentition**
(up to age 21)

MINOR TREATMENT TO CONTROL HARMFUL HABITS

D8210 **Removable appliance therapy**
Removable indicates patient can remove; includes appliances for thumb sucking and tongue thrusting.

OTHER ORTHODONTIC SERVICES

D8660 **Pre-orthodontic treatment visit**
Orthodontist only. May not be reimbursed in conjunction with D0120.

D8670 **Periodic orthodontic treatment visit (as part of contract)**
This code can be billed quarterly for a maximum of 3 years and can only be billed **four (4) times** in a twelve-month period **beginning 90 days after the date of service** on which orthodontic appliances have been placed for active treatment. Claims billed more frequently than the allotted four times per year will result in an automatic systems denial.

D8680 **Orthodontic retention (removal of appliances, construction and placement of retainer(s))** (for post-treatment stabilization)

D8690 **Orthodontic treatment (alternative billing to a contract fee)**
Services provided by orthodontist other than original treating orthodontist. This is limited to transfer care and removal of appliances.

D8692 **Replacement of lost or broken retainer**
This procedure will be reimbursed once per lifetime and includes both arches, if necessary.

D8999 **Unspecified orthodontic procedure**

XII. ADJUNCTIVE GENERAL SERVICES D9000 - D9999

UNCLASSIFIED TREATMENT

D9110 **Palliative (emergency) treatment of dental pain - minor procedure**
(documentation required)

This service is not reimbursable in addition to other therapeutic services performed at the same visit or in conjunction with initial or periodic oral examinations when the procedure does not add significantly to the length of time and effort of the treatment provided during that particular visit. Cannot be billed with D0140.

When billing, the provider must document the nature of the emergency, the area and/or tooth involved and the specific treatment involved. This information should be placed on a separate sheet of paper and submitted with the claim form.

CODE

DESCRIPTION

ANESTHESIA

The administration of general anesthesia or intravenous (parenteral) sedation will be reimbursed in conjunction with surgical and restorative procedures when performed by a qualified dentist who is certified in dental anesthesia by the New York State Education Department. **The cost of analgesic and anesthetic agents (e.g., oral conscious sedatives) is included in the reimbursement for the dental service.** The administration of nitrous oxide, with or without local anesthetic, but without other agents, is not reimbursable. Reimbursement for general anesthesia, intravenous (parenteral) sedation and anesthesia time is conditioned upon meeting the definitions listed below.

General Anesthesia is defined as a controlled state of unconsciousness, accompanied by a partial or complete loss of protective reflexes, including loss of ability to independently maintain an airway and respond purposefully to physical stimulation or verbal command.

Deep Sedation is an induced state of depressed consciousness accompanied by partial loss of protective reflexes, including the inability to continually maintain an airway independently and/or to respond purposefully to physical stimulation or verbal command.

Intravenous (parenteral) sedation is defined as a controlled state of depressed consciousness that is produced by the administration of medication intravenously, intramuscularly or subcutaneously.

Intravenous (parenteral) conscious sedation is defined as a minimally depressed level of consciousness produced by the administration of medication intravenously, intramuscularly, or subcutaneously in which the patient remains conscious, retains the ability to breathe continually without assistance and retains the ability to respond meaningfully to verbal commands and physical stimuli.

Anesthesia Time is defined as the period between the beginning of the administration of the anesthetic agent and the time that the anesthetist is no longer in personal attendance. Reimbursement for general anesthesia or intravenous (parenteral) sedation is dependent upon anesthesia time. Since anesthesia time is divided into units for billing purposes, the number of such units should be entered in the "Times Performed" field of the claim form for procedure codes D9220-D9242. The **first 30 minutes** of anesthesia time is billed as one unit using the appropriate code (**either** D9220 or D9241). If the procedure requires more than 30 minutes of anesthesia time, **additional time is billed in 15-minute units** (one unit = 15 minutes) using the appropriate code (either D9221 or D9242).

- D9220 **Deep Sedation/general anesthesia – first 30 minutes**
- D9221 **Deep Sedation/general anesthesia – each additional 15 minutes**
- D9241 **Intravenous conscious sedation/analgesia – first 30 minutes** (parenteral sedation)
- D9242 **Intravenous conscious sedation/analgesia – each additional 15 minutes** (parenteral sedation)

CODE

DESCRIPTION

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATION

D9310 Consultation - diagnostic service provided by dentist or physician other than requesting dentist or physician

Consultation is defined as advice and counsel from an accredited specialist, which is provided at the request of the attending dentist in regard to the further management of the case by the attending dentist. A consultation also occurs when a health practitioner in another discipline (e.g. a physician) requests the advice and counsel of any dentist in regard to the referring practitioner's further management of the case.

If the consultant provider assumes the management of the patient after the consultation, subsequent services rendered by that provider will not be reimbursed as consultation. Referral for diagnostic aids (including radiographs) does not constitute consultation but is reimbursable at the listed fees for such services. Consultation will not be reimbursed if claimed by a provider within ninety days of an examination (D0120 or D0160) or an office visit for observation (D9430). To expedite review, indication of the referring provider must be included.

PROFESSIONAL VISITS

D9410 House/extended care facility call

Per visit, regardless of number of patients seen (to be added to fee for service). **Fee for service reimbursement will not be made for those individuals who reside in facilities where dental services are included in the facility rate.** Reimbursement should be sought from the facility. The fee for a home visit represents the total extra charge permitted, and is not applicable to each patient seen at such a visit. Includes visits to long-term care facilities, hospice sites, or other institutions.

D9420 Hospital call

Per visit, per patient (to be added to fee for service). This service will be recognized only for professional visits for pre-operative or operative care. Post-operative visits are not reimbursable when related to procedures with assigned follow-up days. Hospital calls are not reimbursable for hospital-based providers.

D9430 Office visit for observation (during regularly scheduled hours) – no other services performed

Reimbursement includes the prescribing of medications and is subject to the limitations noted for consultation and is limited to two instances per clinical episode. First, an orthodontist may monitor the status of an **orthodontic patient** following an authorized phase or after the completion of active orthodontic treatment. Secondly, the evaluation of a **non-referred recipient** for whom treatment is not indicated is limited to the following providers: pedodontists, endodontists, prosthodontists, oral and maxillofacial surgeons and maxillofacial prosthodontists.

D9440 Office visit - after regularly scheduled hours

To be added to fee for service. This service is reimbursable only when requested and provided between 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. for emergency treatment.

CODE

DESCRIPTION

DRUGS

D9610 Therapeutic drug injection, by report

Submit itemized invoice indicating name and dosage of drug administered.

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

D9920 Behavior management by report (OMRDD client identification form required)

This is a **per visit** incentive to compensate for the greater knowledge, skill, sophisticated equipment, extra time and personnel required to treat this population. This fee will be paid in addition to the normal fees for specific dental procedures. For purposes of the Medicaid program, the developmentally disabled population (OMRDD Clients) for which procedure code D9920 may be billed is limited to those who receive ongoing services from community programs operated or certified by the New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD). These include, among others, family care programs, programs operated directly by the State and programs operated by agencies such as Association for Retarded Children (ARC's) and private schools. To identify patients who are eligible for services billed under procedure code D9920, OMRDD has provided these individuals with special identification forms. In order to ensure the proper use of this procedure code, a copy of the completed OMRDD client identification letter must be attached to each claim submitted under procedure code D9920. You should maintain a copy of this form with the patient's record.

D9940 Occlusal guard

Removable dental appliance, which are designed to minimize the effects of bruxism (grinding) and other occlusal factors.