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TO: Dental Providers

SUBJECT: Reactivation of Dental Procedure Codes

Effective with dates of services beginning October 1, 2006, Medicaid coverage of the procedure codes listed below will be reinstated.

The description column lists the nomenclature and descriptor of the Current Dental Terminology (CDT) 2005 procedure code and frequency limitations.

The group column lists the age groups covered by the procedure code. Some procedure codes may cover more than one group. Children only refers to children from birth through the month of the 21st birthday. Adults services refers to beneficiaries 21 years of age and above and are limited to emergency dental services only. Mentally Retarded/Related Disabilities (MR/RD) refers to beneficiaries who are enrolled in the MR/RD Waiver program.

CODE	DESCRIPTION	FEE	GROUP
D0140	Limited Oral Evaluation – Problem Focused: An evaluation limited to a specific oral health problem or complaint. This may require interpretation of information acquired through additional diagnostic procedures. Report additional diagnostic procedures separately. Definitive procedures may be required on the same date of service. Typically, patients receiving this type of evaluation present with specific problem and/or dental emergencies, trauma, acute infections, etc. DHHS covers this procedure twice within a 365-day period.	37.00	Adults Services Children only Mentally Retarded/ Related Disabilities
D2950	Core Buildup, including any pins: Refers to building up of anatomical crown when restorative crown will be placed, whether or not pins are used. A material is placed in the tooth preparation for a crown when there is insufficient tooth strength and retention for the crown procedure. This should not be reported when the procedure only involves a filler to eliminate any undercut, box form, or concave irregularity in the preparation. DHHS allows this code to be billed in conjunction with crown codes D2930, D2931 and D2932.	133.00	Children only Mentally Retarded/ Related Disabilities
D2954	Prefabricated Post and Core in addition to Crown: Core is built around a prefabricated post. This procedure includes the core material. DHHS limits this to crown codes D2930, D2931 and D2932.	168.00	Children only Mentally Retarded/ Related Disabilities
D3330	Endodontic Therapy (Including Treatment Plan, Clinical Procedures and Follow-up Care) Molar (excluding final restoration). DHHS allows this code on teeth numbers 2,3, 14,15, 18,19, 30,31, once a lifetime.	579.00	Children only Mentally Retarded/ Related Disabilities

Questions regarding this bulletin may be directed to your Dental Program Coordinator at (803) 898-2568. Thank you for your continued support and participation in the South Carolina Medicaid program.

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