

Quick Reference

2017 List of New, Revised, and Deleted Codes

NEW (11 CODES)

D0414 LABORATORY PROCESSING OF MICROBIAL SPECIMEN TO INCLUDE CULTURE AND SENSITIVITY STUDIES, PREPARATION AND TRANSMISSION OF WRITTEN REPORT

D0600 NON-IONIZING DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURE CAPABLE OF QUANTIFYING, MONITORING, AND RECORDING CHANGES IN STRUCTURE OF ENAMEL, DENTIN, AND CEMENTUM

D1575 DISTAL SHOE SPACE MAINTAINER – FIXED – UNILATERAL

Fabrication and delivery of fixed appliance extending subgingivally and distally to guide the eruption of the first permanent molar. Does not include ongoing follow-up or adjustments, or replacement appliances, once the tooth has erupted.

D4346 SCALING IN PRESENCE OF GENERALIZED MODERATE OR SEVERE GINGIVAL INFLAMMATION – FULL MOUTH, AFTER ORAL EVALUATION

The removal of plaque, calculus and stains from supra- and sub-gingival tooth surfaces when there is generalized moderate or severe gingival inflammation in the absence of periodontitis. It is indicated for patients who have swollen, inflamed gingiva, generalized suprabony pockets, and moderate to severe bleeding on probing. Should not be reported in conjunction with prophylaxis, scaling and root planing, or debridement procedures.

D6081 SCALING AND DEBRIDEMENT IN THE PRESENCE OF INFLAMMATION OR MUCOSITIS OF A SINGLE IMPLANT, INCLUDING CLEANING OF THE IMPLANT SURFACES, WITHOUT FLAP ENTRY AND CLOSURE

This procedure is not performed in conjunction with D1110 or D4910.

D6085 PROVISIONAL IMPLANT CROWN

Used when a period of healing is necessary prior to fabrication and placement of permanent prosthetic.

D9311 CONSULTATION WITH A MEDICAL HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL

Treating dentist consults with a medical health care professional concerning medical issues that may affect patient's planned dental treatment.

D9991 DENTAL CASE MANAGEMENT – ADDRESSING APPOINTMENT COMPLIANCE BARRIERS

Individualized efforts to assist a patient to maintain scheduled appointments by solving transportation challenges or other barriers.

D9992 DENTAL CASE MANAGEMENT – CARE COORDINATION

Assisting in a patient's decisions regarding the coordination of oral health care services across multiple providers, provider types, specialty areas of treatment, health care settings, health care organizations and payment systems. This is the additional time and resources expended to provide experience or expertise beyond that possessed by the patient.

NEW (11 CODES) – CONTINUED

D9993 DENTAL CASE MANAGEMENT – MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING

Patient-centered, personalized counseling using methods such as Motivational Interviewing (MI) to identify and modify behaviors interfering with positive oral health outcomes. This is a separate service from traditional nutritional or tobacco counseling.

D9994 DENTAL CASE MANAGEMENT – PATIENT EDUCATION TO IMPROVE ORAL HEALTH LITERACY

Individual, customized communication of information to assist the patient in making appropriate health decisions designed to improve oral health literacy, explained in a manner acknowledging economic circumstances and different cultural beliefs, values, attitudes, traditions and language preferences, and adopting information and services to these differences, which requires the expenditure of time and resources beyond that of an oral evaluation or case presentation.

DELETED (1 CODES)

D0290 POSTERIOR-ANTERIOR OR LATERAL SKULL AND FACIAL BONE SURVEY RADIOGRAPHIC IMAGE

REVISED (37 CODES)

D1510 SPACE MAINTAINER - FIXED - UNILATERAL

Excludes a distal shoe space maintainer.

D4263 BONE REPLACEMENT GRAFT – RETAINED NATURAL TOOTH – FIRST SITE IN QUADRANT

This procedure involves the use of grafts to stimulate periodontal regeneration when the disease process has led to a deformity of the bone. This procedure does not include flap entry and closure, wound debridement, osseous contouring, or the placement of biologic materials to aid in osseous tissue regeneration or barrier membranes. Other separate procedures delivered concurrently are documented with their own codes. Not to be reported for an edentulous space or an extraction site.

D4264 BONE REPLACEMENT GRAFT – RETAINED NATURAL TOOTH – EACH ADDITIONAL SITE IN QUADRANT

This procedure involves the use of grafts to stimulate periodontal regeneration when the disease process has led to a deformity of the bone. This procedure does not include flap entry and closure, wound debridement, osseous contouring, or the placement of biologic materials to aid in osseous tissue regeneration or barrier membranes. This procedure is performed concurrently with one or more bone replacement grafts to document the number of sites involved. Not to be reported for an edentulous space or an extraction site.

D4274 MESIAL/DISTAL WEDGE PROCEDURE, SINGLE TOOTH (WHEN NOT PERFORMED IN CONJUNCTION WITH SURGICAL PROCEDURES IN THE SAME ANATOMICAL AREA)

This procedure is performed in an edentulous area adjacent to a tooth, allowing removal of a tissue wedge to gain access for debridement, permit close flap adaptation, and reduce pocket depths.

D7140 EXTRACTION, ERUPTED TOOTH OR EXPOSED ROOT (ELEVATION AND/OR FORCEPS REMOVAL)

Includes removal of tooth structure, minor smoothing of socket bone, and closure, as necessary.

REVISED (37 CODES) – CONTINUED

D7210	EXTRACTION, ERUPTED TOOTH REQUIRING REMOVAL OF BONE AND/OR SECTIONING OF TOOTH, AND INCLUDING ELEVATION OF MUCOPERIOSTEAL FLAP IF INDICATED Includes related cutting of gingiva and bone, removal of tooth structure, minor smoothing of socket bone and closure.
D7250	REMOVAL OF RESIDUAL TOOTH ROOTS (CUTTING PROCEDURE) Includes cutting of soft tissue and bone, removal of tooth structure, and closure.
D7280	EXPOSURE OF AN UNERUPTED 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.
D7292	PLACEMENT OF TEMPORARY ANCHORAGE DEVICE [SCREW RETAINED PLATE] REQUIRING FLAP; INCLUDES DEVICE REMOVAL
D7293	PLACEMENT OF TEMPORARY ANCHORAGE DEVICE REQUIRING FLAP; INCLUDES DEVICE REMOVAL
D7294	PLACEMENT OF TEMPORARY ANCHORAGE DEVICE WITHOUT FLAP; INCLUDES DEVICE REMOVAL
D7310	ALVEOLOPLASTY IN CONJUNCTION WITH EXTRACTIONS – FOUR OR MORE TEETH OR TOOTH SPACES, PER QUADRANT The alveoloplasty is distinct (separate procedure) from extractions. Usually in preparation for a prosthesis or other treatments such as radiation therapy and transplant surgery.
D7311	ALVEOLOPLASTY IN CONJUNCTION WITH EXTRACTIONS – ONE TO THREE TEETH OR TOOTH SPACES, PER QUADRANT The alveoloplasty is distinct (separate procedure) from extractions. Usually in preparation for a prosthesis or other treatments such as radiation therapy and transplant surgery.
D7485	REDUCTION OF OSSEOUS TUBEROSITY
D7610	MAXILLA – OPEN REDUCTION (TEETH IMMOBILIZED, IF PRESENT) Teeth may be wired, banded or splinted together to prevent movement. Incision required for interosseous fixation.
D7630	MANDIBLE – OPEN REDUCTION (TEETH IMMOBILIZED, IF PRESENT) Teeth may be wired, banded or splinted together to prevent movement. Incision required to reduce fracture.
D7710	MAXILLA – OPEN REDUCTION Incision required to reduce fracture.
D7730	MANDIBLE – OPEN REDUCTION Incision required to reduce fracture.
D7750	MALAR AND/OR ZYGOMATIC ARCH – OPEN REDUCTION Incision required to reduce fracture.
D7770	ALVEOLUS – OPEN REDUCTION STABILIZATION OF TEETH Fractured bone(s) are exposed to mouth or outside the face. Incision required to reduce fracture.
D7780	FACIAL BONES – COMPLICATED REDUCTION WITH FIXATION AND MULTIPLE APPROACHES Incision required to reduce fracture. Facial bones include upper and lower jaw, cheek, and bones around eyes, nose, and ears.

REVISED (37 CODES) – CONTINUED

D7840	CONDYLECTOMY Removal of all or portion of the mandibular condyle (separate procedure).
D7873	ARTHROSCOPY: LAVAGE AND LYSIS OF ADHESIONS Removal of adhesions using the arthroscope and lavage of the joint cavities.
D7874	ARTHROSCOPY: DISC REPOSITIONING AND STABILIZATION Repositioning and stabilization of disc using arthroscopic techniques.
D7875	ARTHROSCOPY: SYNOVECTOMY Removal of inflamed and hyperplastic synovium (partial/complete) via an arthroscopic technique.
D7876	ARTHROSCOPY: DISCECTOMY Removal of disc and remodeled posterior attachment via the arthroscope.
D7877	ARTHROSCOPY: DEBRIDEMENT Removal of pathologic hard and/or soft tissue using the arthroscope.
D7945	OSTEOTOMY – BODY OF MANDIBLE Sectioning of lower jaw. This includes exposure, bone cut, fixation, routine wound closure and normal post-operative follow-up care.
D7946	LEFORT I (MAXILLA – TOTAL) Sectioning of the upper jaw. This includes exposure, bone cuts, downfracture, repositioning, fixation, routine wound closure and normal post-operative follow-up care.
D7948	LEFORT II OR LEFORT III (OSTEOPLASTY OF FACIAL BONES FOR MIDFACE HYPOPLASIA OR RETRUSION) – WITHOUT BONE GRAFT Sectioning of upper jaw. This includes exposure, bone cuts, downfracture, segmentation of maxilla, repositioning, fixation, routine wound closure and normal post-operative follow-up care.
D7960	FRENULECTOMY – ALSO KNOWN AS FRENECTOMY OR FRENOTOMY - SEPARATE PROCEDURE NOT INCIDENTAL TO ANOTHER PROCEDURE Removal or release of mucosal and muscle elements of a buccal, labial or lingual frenum that is associated with a pathological condition, or interferes with proper oral development or treatment.
D7971	EXCISION OF PERICORONAL GINGIVA Removal of inflammatory or hypertrophied tissues surrounding partially erupted/impacted teeth.
D7982	SIALODOCHOPLASTY Procedure for the repair of a defect and/or restoration of a portion of a salivary gland duct.
D7983	CLOSURE OF SALIVARY FISTULA Closure of an opening between a salivary duct and/or gland and the cutaneous surface, or an opening into the oral cavity through other than the normal anatomic pathway.
D7990	EMERGENCY TRACHEOTOMY Formation of a tracheal opening usually below the cricoid cartilage to allow for respiratory exchange.
D7991	CORONOIDECTOMY Removal of the coronoid process of the mandible.
D9630	DRUGS OR MEDICAMENTS DISPENSED IN THE OFFICE FOR HOME USE Includes, but is not limited to oral antibiotics, oral analgesics, and topical fluoride; does not include writing prescriptions.