



Newsletter

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Managed Care

[Managed Care](#) is a health care delivery system organized to manage cost, utilization, and quality. Medicaid managed care provides for the delivery of Medicaid health benefits and additional services through contracted arrangements between state Medicaid agencies and managed care organizations (MCOs) that accept a set per member per month (capitation) payment for these services.

By contracting with various types of MCOs to deliver Medicaid program health care services to their beneficiaries, states can reduce Medicaid program costs and better manage utilization of health services. Improvement in health plan performance, health care quality, and outcomes are key objectives of Medicaid managed care. Oregon has set goals in 2019 to place sealants on 27% of eligible children and complete dental examinations for 28% of individuals living with diabetes. Every provider will need to help if we are going to meet these goals.

Some states are implementing a range of initiatives to coordinate and integrate care beyond traditional managed care. These initiatives are focused on improving care for populations with chronic and complex conditions, aligning payment incentives with performance goals, and building in accountability for high quality care.

In Oregon, OHA administers the Medicaid program by contracting with Coordinated Care Organizations (CCOs) to deliver care to members. Capitol Dental Care contracts with the CCOs and also directly with the State to deliver oral healthcare services, specifically.

Removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure) – When to use D7250

There is some confusion over the definition and usage of procedure code D7250, especially by general practitioners. The American Dental Association's CDT manual defines code D7250 as *"Surgical removal of residual roots (cutting procedure), includes cutting of soft tissue and bone, removal of tooth structure and closure."*

"Residual roots" do not represent a current extraction of a tooth, but of root remnants left from a previous extraction. If such roots exist, then a surgical flap, removal of bone, and removal of the root remnants should be documented in the clinical record.

If the crown of the tooth has been fractured or destroyed by caries, and the removal of the root is performed, the appropriate ADA code is D7140 (extraction, erupted tooth or exposed root) inclusive of elevation and forceps removal. If, in addition to extraction any flap, bone removal or sectioning of the tooth/roots required, the appropriate code would be D7210 (surgical extraction code).

Coverage Rules for Impacted Wisdom Teeth (codes D7220, D7230, D7240, D7241, D7250)

Please see the following notes regarding when extraction of third molars is covered. If the planned extraction does not meet one of the following criteria, it is not a covered benefit. Please also note that these codes require preauthorization.

A) Evidence of pathology. Such pathology includes unrestorable caries, non-treatable pulpal and/or periapical pathology, cellulitis, abscess and osteomyelitis, internal/external resorption of the tooth or adjacent teeth, fracture of tooth, disease of follicle including cyst/tumour, tooth/teeth impeding surgery or reconstructive jaw surgery, and when a tooth is involved in or within the field of tumour resection OR

B) Two or more episodes of pericoronitis OR

C) Severe pain directly related to the impacted tooth that does not respond to conservative treatment. (Extraction for pain or discomfort related to normal tooth eruption or for non-specific symptoms such as “headaches” or “jaw pain” is not considered medically or dentally necessary for treatment.)

Seclusion and Restraint Monitoring

Did you know that any use of seclusion or restraint need to be reported to us? Please report any seclusion or restraint incidents that happen with Capitol Dental Care patients immediately to Providers@capitoldentalcare.com or call 503-587-7162.

To view Capitol Dental Care’s Seclusion and Restraint policy, as well as other policies and provider resources, go to <http://capitoldentalcare.com/providers/resources/>

Continuing Education Opportunities

The ADA Council on Advocacy for Access and Prevention is hosting two upcoming webinars. Both offer complementary CE credit.

“E-cigarettes - What are the Facts Behind All That Vapor?” Co-hosted by the ADA and CDC

- Date: May 20, 2019
- Time: 11:00 CDT

- CE Credit: 1 hour

Description: Use of E-cigarette products is at epidemic levels for teens and young adults. The purpose of this webinar is to inform dental providers about the products, trends for use, and health harms and benefits of e-cigarette use. The program will also provide information about the effects of e-cigarette flavors on oral health. Finally, participants will learn about the efforts to address the harms that e-cigarette products pose to young people the first -of-its-kind e-cigarette quit program to address the significant rise in youth vaping.

Speakers:

- Brian King, PhD, MPH -- Deputy Director for Research Translation, Centers for Disease and Prevention Control
- Barbara Schillo, PhD -- Vice President, Truth Initiative Schroeder Institute
- Steve Schroeder, MD -- Director, Smoking Cessation Leadership Center
- Shinae Kim, PhD -- Project Leader, ADA Foundation - Volpe Research Center

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“The Importance of Oral Health Care for Women during Pregnancy” Co-hosted by the ADA and the American Academy of Pediatrics

- Date: May 31, 2019
- Time: 11:00 CDT
- CE Credit: 1 hour

Description: This webinar will help dispel any myths that pregnant women should not receive dental care during their pregnancy! Participants will learn the reasons why oral health is important for pregnant women and how to manage dental care during pregnancy. They will also learn how to incorporate oral health into prenatal care.

Speakers:

- Lucie Chie, MD, MPH Director of OB/GYN at South Cove Community Health Center, Director of the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center OBGYN Community Health Initiative, staff physician at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, and Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Biology at Harvard Medical School
- Monica Hebl, DDS, past CAAP Chair
- Ms. Lauren Barone, MPH, American Academy of Pediatrics, Senior Manager, Pediatric Practice and Workforce

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