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Diagnostic Services

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D0120 Periodic oral evaluation - established patient - *Limit 2 per calendar year* - see additional benefit limitations at the end of this section

D0140 Limited oral evaluation - problem focused - *Limit 1 per calendar year* - see additional limitations at the end of this section

D0145 Oral evaluation for a patient under three years of age and counseling with a primary caregiver - Limit 2 per calendar year – see additional benefit limitations at the end of this section

D0150 Comprehensive oral evaluation - new or established patient - *Limit 1 per calendar year - see additional benefit limitations at the end of this section*

D0160 Detailed and extensive oral evaluation - problem focused, by report - *Limit 1 per calendar year - see additional limitations at the end of this section*

D0180 Comprehensive periodontal evaluation - new or established patient - *Limit 1 per calendar year - see additional benefit limitations at the end of this section. Will alternate to a D0120 Periodic oral evaluation - established patient if billed with D4910 Periodontal maintenance.*

D0210 Intraoral - comprehensive series of radiographic images - *Limit 1 every 60 months for any combination of comprehensive series of radiographic images*

D0220 Intraoral - periapical first radiographic image

D0230 Intraoral - periapical each additional radiographic image

D0240 Intraoral - occlusal radiographic image

D0250 Extra-oral - 2D projection radiographic image created using a stationary radiation source, and detector

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D0251 Extra-oral posterior dental radiographic image

D0270 Bitewing - single radiographic image - Limit 2 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for patients up to age 22, 1 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for all others

D0272 Bitewings - two radiographic images - Limit 2 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for patients up to age 22, 1 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for all others

D0273 Bitewings - three radiographic images - Limit 2 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for patients up to age 22, 1 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for all others

D0274 Bitewings - four radiographic images - Limit 2 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for patients up to age 22, 1 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for all others

D0277 Vertical bitewings - 7 to 8 radiographic images - Limit 2 per calendar year for any combination of bitewings for patients up to age 22, 1 per calendar year for any combination of bitewings for all others

D0330 Panoramic radiographic image - Limit 1 every 60 months

D0372 Intraoral tomosynthesis – comprehensive series of radiographic images - *Limit 1 every 60 months* for any combination of comprehensive series of radiographic images

D0373 Intraoral tomosynthesis – bitewing radiographic image - Limit 2 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for patients up to age 22, 1 per calendar year of any combination of bitewings for all others

D0374 Intraoral tomosynthesis – periapical radiographic image

D0425 Caries susceptibility tests

D0486 Laboratory accession of transepithelial cytologic sample, microscopic examination, preparation and transmission of written report

Class A Basic Diagnostic Services Notes and Limitations:

Non-problem focused evaluations – Limit 2 per calendar year

 D0120 Periodic oral evaluation - established patient, D0145 Oral evaluation for a patient under three years of age, D0150 Comprehensive oral evaluation - new or established patient, and D0180 Comprehensive periodontal evaluation - new or established patient are combined and limited to a total of 2 per year

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- D0150 Comprehensive oral evaluation new or established patient and D0180
 Comprehensive periodontal evaluation new or established patient are combined and limited to 1 per calendar year
- Comprehensive oral evaluations in excess of the 1 per calendar year limit will be processed as a periodic evaluation.

Problem-focused evaluations - Limit 1 per calendar year

 D0140 Limited oral evaluation - problem focused and D0160 Detailed and extensive oral evaluation - problem focused, by report are combined and limited to 1 per calendar year

Diagnostic Imaging

- 14 or more radiographic images on the same date of service will be processed as D0210 Intraoral comprehensive series of radiographic images.
- Bitewing radiographic images with the same date of service as a panoramic radiographic image will be processed as D0210 Intraoral comprehensive series of radiographic images.

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