

Core Components of Dental Care

- OTA considers guideline components to be core components if the component is shared by at least three different
- Refer to Sources at end of table for the key and a description of the guideline sets.

DIAGNOSIS	AD	First dental visit by, t, age th	Guideline sets that share the corresponding component
	The EPSDT GU defines understand that an initial visit includes these elements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o a patient history (info given by responsible person) to include dental history; and past flu o clinical charting of existing the oral and facial structure o identification of anomalies, significant deviations for o formulation and presentation (parent) of an organized 	
	treatment		
		New patients: initial appropriate radiograph	00110 Initi 00120 Perio
		Radiographs (for primary and permanent)	00210
	o for patients with caries or in a high risk ^b group: posterior every 6-12 months;		00220
	o for patients with no caries high risk group- posterior 12 months for children and 24-36 months for adults		00230
	o individualized radiographic for periodontal disease and development assessment		00240 00250 00260 00270 00272 00274 00275 00290
			00315 00320 00321
			00210 Intraoral-complex (including bite wings) 00220 Intraoral-periapical -first film 00230 Intraoral-periapical -each additional film 00240 Intraoral-occlusal 00250 Extraoral-first film 00260 Extraoral-each additional film 00270 Bitewings-single 00272 Bitewings-two film 00274 Bitewings-four film 00275 Bitewings-each additional film 00290 Posterior-anterior and facial bone 00315 Sialography 00320 Temporomandibular including injection 00321 Other temporomandibular
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Appendix A

EMERGENCY SERVICES

00911 Palliative (emergency) treatment of dental pain-minor procedures
00130 Emergency oral examination

HCFA, EPSDT, PHS, ADA

Appropriate methods for control and relief of pain and procedures necessary to control bleeding and eliminate acute infection

- operative procedures to prevent pulp death and imminent loss of teeth
- treatment of injuries to teeth or supporting structures
- palliative therapy or periodontitis with impacted teeth

HCFA recognizes the following as elements of emergency care:

PREVENTIVE SERVICES
II. Preventive

01310 Dietary planning for the control of dental caries
01330 Oral hygiene instruction

HCFA, EPSDT, PHS

Counseling on self care oral hygiene, diet (reductions in cariogenic food), and risk management; should be directed to the parent as well as the child

00120 Periodic oral examination

EPSDT, ADA;
HCFA & PHS (frequency not specified)

Oral exam, at least annually

01110 Prophylaxis-adult
00120 Prophylaxis-child

EPSDT, ADA;
HCFA & PHS (frequency not specified)

Prophylaxis, at least annually

01203 Topical application of fluoride (excluding prophylaxis)-child
01204 Topical application of fluoride (excluding prophylaxis)-adult

EPSDT, ADA;
PHS (frequency not specified; recommended primarily for children experiencing extensive dental decay)

Topical fluoride application, at least annually

0135 Sealant-per tooth

HCFA, PHS, ADA

Occasional sealants

01510 Space maintainer-fixed-unilateral
01515 Space maintainer-fixed-bilateral
01520 Space maintainer-removable-unilateral
01525 Space maintainer-removable-bilateral
01550 Recementation of space maintainer

HCFA, EPSDT, PHS, ADA

Maintenance of space: at least for posterior primary teeth lost prematurely

03110 Direct pulp cap
03120 Indirect pulp cap
03220 Pulpotomy
03310 One canal (excluding final restoration)
03320 Two canals (excluding final restoration)
03330 Three canals (excluding final restoration)
03340 Four or more canals (excluding final restoration)

HCFA, EPSDT, ADA

Pulp therapy (primary and permanent teeth) and root canal filling

THERAPEUTIC SERVICES
IV. Endodontics

	Restoration of carious lesions (primary and permanent) with silver amalgam, plastic materials, composite resin restoration, and stainless steel crowns (on primary teeth)	EPSDT, PHS, HCFA, ADA	02110-02161 Amalgam restorations (including polishing) 02330-02387 Filled or unfilled resin restorations 02930 Prefabricated stainless steel crown -primary tooth 04341 Periodontal scaling and root planing -per quadrant 04220 Gingival curettage, by report
	Scaling and curettage and/or root planing	HCFA, ADA	
VI. Prosthodontics	Removable prosthesis: at least when mastication function impaired or existing prosthesis is unserviceable, including repair and rebasing of the prosthesis	HCFA, EPSDT, PHS, ADA	?
X. Orthodontics	Orthodontic treatment: at least when medically necessary to correct handicapping malocclusion	HCFA, PHS, ADA	

Additional procedures suggested by core component reviewers:

Oral Surgery

Extractions—includes local anesthesia and routine postoperative care:

- 07110 Single tooth
- 07120 Each additional tooth
- 07130 Root removal—exposed roots

Other surgical procedures:

- 07285 Biopsy of oral tissue—hard
- 07286 Biopsy of oral tissue—soft

^aMany reviewers indicated that a first visit by age 1 is more appropriate than by age 3.

^bThose at high risk include those demonstrating: high level of caries experience, history of recurrent caries, poor quality existing restoration, poor oral hygiene, inadequate fluoride exposure, prolonged nursing, diet with high sucrose, poor family dental health, developmental enamel defects, developmental disability, xerostomia, genetic abnormality of teeth, many multisurface restorations, chemo/radiation therapy.

^cSilicate cement restorations which are specifically included in the HCFA Guidelines, are excluded from this core component list because most reviewers indicated that silicate cement restorations have been replaced by newer materials. Also, many reviewers suggested that stainless steel crowns for permanent teeth should be included in a list of basic dental services.

SOURCES: ADA: American Dental Association, Council on Dental Care Programs, *Policies on Dental Care Programs, 1988* (Chicago, IL: American Dental Association, 1988). These guidelines describe a model dental benefit plan. EPSDT: U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Health Care Financing Administration in cooperation with The American Society of Dentistry for Children and The American Academy of Pedodontics, *A Guide to Dental Care for the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment Program (EPSDT) Under Medicaid*, February 1980. This guide was prepared to assist those involved with implementing the dental care component of EPSDT. FDA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, *Selection of Patients for X-ray Examinations: Dental Radiographic Examinations* (Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, October 1987). HCFA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Care Financing Administration, *State Medicaid Manual, Part 5—Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT)*, April 1988. These are the Federal EPSDT program guidelines to which each State program must adhere. These guidelines cite the EPSDT dental guidelines above for further information. PHS: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, *Healthy Children: Effective Public Health Practices for Improving Children's Oral Health* (Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, May 1980). This document presents PHS guidelines regarding the most acceptable dental public health practices for improving children's oral health.