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Denti-Cal to Implement Provider Payment Reduction of One Percent (1%)

For dates of services on or after March 1, 2009, the Medi-Cal Dental Program (Denti-Cal) will be implementing a provider payment reduction of 1% in accordance with the directives contained in Assembly Bill 1183, Chaptered on September 30, 2008.

Update: Schedule of Maximum Allowances (SMA) Increase for Topical Application of Fluoride (D1203) for Children Ages Zero Through Five

Denti-Cal will increase the fee for Procedure D1203 (Topical Application of Fluoride (Prophylaxis Not Included) - Child) for children ages zero (0) through age five (5) from \$8.00 to \$18.00 effective February 1, 2009. Children age six (6) and older will remain at the current SMA amount of \$8.00.

Providers who submitted claims for Procedure D1203 with dates of service on or after March 1, 2008 will receive retroactive compensation. Providers do not need to submit a Claim Inquiry Form (CIF) to receive payment for the fee difference.

Clarification for Completing Field 33 on Claims and Notices of Authorization (NOAs)

Denti-Cal would like to clarify that the following procedures do not require a rendering provider number in field 33 on claims and NOAs: D0210, D0220, D0230, D0240, D0250, D0260, D0270, D0272, D0274, D0290, D0322, D0330, D0340, D0350, D1110, D1120, D1201, D1203, D1204, D1205, and D1351.

In accordance with Title 22, California Code of Regulation, Section 51476 (a)(7), providers are required to document the rendering provider number in patient records even if the procedure does not require a rendering provider number on a claim or NOA.

For questions on the above, please contact the Denti-Cal Telephone Service Center at (800) 423-0507.