TO: Dental Providers Participating in MassHealth

FROM: Daniel Tsai, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth

RE: New Same-Day Billing for Dental Evaluations

Summary

MassHealth is updating its billing rules for dental providers in accordance with applicable standards of care. MassHealth dental providers will now be allowed to bill for both the Comprehensive Periodontal Evaluation (D0180) and Periodic Oral Evaluation (D0120) on the same date of service. Same-day billing for these services is effective for dates of services on or after August 1, 2018.

Comprehensive Periodontal Evaluation

Comprehensive Periodontal Evaluation (D0180) is a covered dental service indicated for members showing signs or symptoms of periodontal disease and for members with risk factors such as smoking or diabetes. This service includes evaluation of periodontal conditions; probing and charting; evaluation and recording of dental caries, missing or unerupted teeth, restorations, and occlusal relationships; and oral cancer evaluation.

Please note: D0180 cannot be billed with D0140, D0145, D0150, or D9110 on the same date of service.

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