

CDT 2024 Updates



CDT 2024 is the newest version of the American Dental Association's code on dental procedures and nomenclature. Federal HIPAA law requires that CDT codes be used in electronic health care transactions. When the ADA changes the codes, carriers must adopt the changes. Please use CDT 2024 codes when submitting claims to Delta Dental for services you perform on or after January 1, 2024.

The changes include 14 new codes, one new category of service (sleep apnea), two revised codes, no deletions and several policy revisions. Following is a summary of the changes; please note that coverage for new codes is dependent on the patient's particular benefit plan.



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- Fees for denied services are the responsibility of the patient.
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New CDT codes

(Effective January 1, 2024)

D0396

3D printing of a 3D dental surface scan

The fee for this procedure is included in the fee for the acquisition of the dental scan. The fee for this service is not separately billable to the patient.

D1301

Immunization counseling

This procedure is not a benefit of most Delta Dental plans. The fee for this service is the patient's responsibility.

D2976

Band stabilization - per tooth

- 1. This procedure is limited to posterior permanent teeth only.
- 2. D2976 is a benefit once per tooth, per lifetime.

D2989

Excavation of a tooth resulting in the determination of non-restorability

Delta Dental considers this service to be the first part of another procedure. It is not, by itself, a completed procedure, and Delta Dental provides payment only for completed services. The fee for this service is not separately billable to the patient.

D2991

Application of hydroxyapatite regeneration medicament - per tooth

- When covered, procedure D2991 is a benefit twice per tooth per benefit year. Benefits for more than twice per tooth per benefit year are denied and are the patient's responsibility.
- 2. The fees for D2991, on the same tooth and on the same date of service as a restoration, are not billable to the patient at the same dentist/dental office.

- 3. Restorations placed within 6 months of D2991 by the same dentist/dental office are not billable to the patient.
- 4. The fees for D1354, application of caries arresting medicament, on the same tooth and on the same date of service as D2991 are not billable to the patient.

D6089

Accessing and retorquing loose implant screw - per screw

This service is a benefit when implants are covered by group/individual contract.

When implants are not covered, the fee for this service is the patient's responsibility.

When implants are covered, D6089 is a benefit once every 24 months.

The fee for D6089, when done on the same date of service, by the same dentist/dental office as D6080, implant maintenance, or D6090, repair implant supported prosthesis, is not billable to the patient.

The fee for this procedure is included in the fee for the placement of an implant supported prosthesis (D6058-D6077, D6082-D6084, D6086-D6088, D6094, D6097-D6099, D6120-D6123, D6194, 6195, D6110-D6117), within the first six months of placement of that implant prosthesis.

D7284

Excisional biopsy of minor salivary glands

 The fee for biopsy of oral tissue is included in the fee for a surgical procedure (e.g., apicoectomy, extractions, etc.) and is not billable to the patient when performed by the same dentist/dental office, in the same surgical area and on the same date of service. A separate fee should not be charged to the patient in these instances. 2. Submission of a pathology report is required with this service.

D7939

Indexing for osteotomy using dynamic robotic assisted or dynamic navigation

This procedure is not a benefit of most Delta Dental plans. The fee for this service is the patient's responsibility.

D9938

Fabrication of a custom removable clear plastic temporary aesthetic appliance This procedure is not a benefit of most Delta Dental plans. The fee for this service

is the patient's responsibility.

D9939

Placement of a custom removable clear plastic temporary aesthetic appliance This procedure is not a benefit of most Delta Dental plans. The fee for this service is the patient's responsibility.

D9954

Fabrication and delivery of oral appliance therapy (OAT) morning repositioning device

This procedure is not a benefit of most Delta Dental plans. The fee for this service is the patient's responsibility.

D9955

Oral appliance therapy (OAT) titration visit

This procedure is not a benefit of most Delta Dental plans. The fee for this service is the patient's responsibility.

D9956

Administration of home sleep apnea test

This procedure is not a benefit of most Delta Dental plans. The fee for this service is the patient's responsibility.

D9957

Screening for sleep related breathing disorders

This procedure is not a benefit of most Delta Dental plans. The fee for this service is the patient's responsibility.

Nomenclature revision

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D2335

Resin-based composite - four or more surfaces (anterior)

Descriptor addition

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D5876

Add metal substructure to acrylic full denture (per arch) Use of metal substructure in removable complete dentures without a framework.

Processing policy revisions

(Effective January 1, 2024)

D0210

Intraoral — comprehensive series of radiographic images

- Benefits are limited to either an intraoral complete series radiographic image (D0210) or a panoramic radiographic image (D0330) within the frequency limitation period. Under most Delta Dental plans, a panoramic radiographic image or comprehensive series radiographic image is limited to once in either three or five years.
- 2. Panoramic images are not considered a part of a comprehensive intraoral series.
- 3. If a panoramic image is taken in conjunction with an intraoral comprehensive series, an allowance will be made for the comprehensive intraoral series, and the fee for the panoramic image will be the responsibility of the patient.

D0330

Panoramic radiographic image

- If a panoramic image is taken in conjunction with an intraoral comprehensive series, an allowance will be made for the comprehensive intraoral series, and the fee for the panoramic image will be the responsibility of the enrollee.
- 2. When a panoramic image is submitted with supplemental image(s), (bitewing, periapical or occlusal images), and the fees for the supplemental images exceed the fee for the comprehensive intraoral series, Delta Dental will provide an allowance for the comprehensive intraoral series. The fee for the panoramic image will be the responsibility of the patient.
- 3. When a panoramic image is submitted with supplemental image(s), (bitewing, periapical or occlusal images), and the fees for the supplemental images are less than the fee for a comprehensive intraoral series, Delta Dental will provide payment for the supplemental images and for the panoramic image.

D0364

Cone beam CT capture and interpretation with limited field of view — less than one whole jaw

- Code D0364 is a benefit once in a 12-month period.
- 2. When D0364 is submitted in conjunction with code D0380, image capture, the fee for procedure D0364 includes the fee for code D0380.
- When D0364 is submitted in conjunction with D0391, image interpretation, the fee for procedure D0364 includes the fee for code D0391.

4. When D0380, image capture, is submitted in conjunction with D0391, image interpretation, an allowance will be provided for D0364.

D0365

Cone beam CT capture and interpretation with field of view of one full dental arch — mandible

- 1. Code D0365 is a benefit once in a 12-month period.
- 2. When D0365 is submitted in conjunction with code D0381, image capture, the fee for procedure D0365 includes the fee for code D0381.
- When D0365 is submitted in conjunction with D0391, image interpretation, the fee for procedure D0365 includes the fee for code D0391.
- 4. When D0381, image capture, is submitted in conjunction with D0391, image interpretation, an allowance will be provided for D0365.

D0366

Cone beam CT capture and interpretation with field of view of one full dental arch

- maxilla, with or without cranium
- Code D0366 is a benefit once in a 12-month period.
- 2. When D0366 is submitted in conjunction with code D0382, image capture, the fee for procedure D0366 includes the fee for code D0382.
- When D0366 is submitted in conjunction with D0391, image interpretation, the fee for procedure D0366 includes the fee for code D0391.
- 4. When D0382, image capture, is submitted in conjunction with D0391, image interpretation, an allowance will be provided for D0366.

D0367

Cone beam CT capture and interpretation with field of view of both jaws, with or without cranium

- 1. Code D0367 is a benefit once in a 12-month period.
- 2. When D0367 is submitted in conjunction with code D0383, image capture, the fee for procedure D0367 includes the fee for code D0383.
- When D0367 is submitted in conjunction with D0391, image interpretation, the fee for procedure D0367 includes the fee for code D0391.
- 4. When D0383, image capture, is submitted in conjunction with D0391, image interpretation, an allowance will be provided for D0367.

D0391

Interpretation of diagnostic image by a practitioner not associated with capture of the image, including report

This service is a benefit once in a 12 month period.

- This service is a benefit when submitted by a different dentist/ dental office than the dentist/office who provided the capture only (D0380-D0383) services.
- 2. When submitted in conjunction with codes D0380-D0383, image capture codes, a benefit will be provided for the corresponding image capture and interpretation codes (D0364-D0367)
- 3. The fees for this service are included in the fees for codes D0364-D0367, image capture and interpretation.

D4212

Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty to allow access for restorative procedure, per tooth

Delta Dental considers the fee for gingivectomy provided in association with the preparation of a crown or other restoration to be included in the fee for the restoration, irrespective of the date of this service in respect to the restorative procedure. A separate fee for this service may not be billed to the patient.

D4921

Gingival irrigation with a medicinal agent-per quadrant

Benefits are not separately payable when gingival irrigation is provided in conjunction with procedure codes D3000-D3999 and D7000-D7999.

D6190

Radiographic/surgical implant index, by report

- 1. When the patient's plan includes implant benefits, D6190 will be covered at the prosthetic benefit level.
- 2. When covered, D6190 is a benefit once in 60 months, per arch.

D7951

Sinus augmentation with bone or bone substitutes via a lateral open approach For plans that cover D7951, this service is

a benefit once in a lifetime per maxillary quadrant.

D7952

Sinus augmentation with bone or bone substitutes via a vertical approach For plans that cover D7952, this service may be a benefit when provided at the time of implant placement.

D7953

Bone replacement graft for ridge preservation — per site

- 1. For plans that cover code D7953, this service is a benefit once per tooth or implant site.
- 2. All edentulous non-contiguous tooth positions are single sites. Depending on the dimensions of the defect, up to two contiguous edentulous tooth positions may be considered a single site.

D9932

Cleaning and inspection of removable complete denture, maxillary

The fee for cleaning and inspection of a removable appliance is not separately billable when provided in conjunction with codes D1110, D4346 and D4910.

D9933

Cleaning and inspection of removable complete denture, mandibular

The fee for cleaning and inspection of a removable appliance is not separately billable when provided in conjunction with codes D1110, D4346 and D4910.

D9934

Cleaning and inspection of removable partial denture, maxillary

The fee for cleaning and inspection of a removable appliance is not separately billable when provided in conjunction with codes D1110, D1120, D4346 and D4910.

D9935

Cleaning and inspection of removable partial denture, mandibular

The fee for cleaning and inspection of a removable appliance is not separately billable when provided in conjunction with codes D1110, D1120, D4346 and D4910.

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