

Oral Health Examination, Diagnosis and Treatment – Draft

Examination

- Extensive clinical exam, advice, charting, and report. This must be recorded and include:
 - a medical and dental history update;
 - charting of missing/present teeth;
 - charting of any malocclusions;
 - a soft tissue exam;
 - a caries risk assessment;
 - a basic periodontal exam and diagnosis of periodontal status;
 - oral hygiene status;
 - any relevant non-cariou tooth surface loss; and
 - recording of information on habits affecting oral health and provision of advice (where required) on: behaviour, diet, smoking, alcohol, and drug use.
- This item can be claimed once every 12 months. (TBC)

Review Examination

- Appointment for clinical review between examinations based on patient risk factors identified in 1(a).
- This item can be claimed for:
 - reviews required between examinations;
 - exams in connection with trauma;
 - patients with high caries rates;
 - review of suspicious lesions;
 - review of periodontal status;
 - review of tooth surface loss;
 - review of TMJ dysfunction;
 - review of orthodontic status
- No time bar on claims but must be based on clinical risk factors. (TBC)

Emergency appointment

- Emergency examination and treatment of acute conditions. This may include:
 - periodontal abscess;
 - incision and drainage;
 - periapical periodontitis
 - arrest of haemorrhage;
 - all bacterial, viral, ulcerative and fungal conditions;
 - trauma

Radiographic Examination (intraoral)

- This includes:
 - periapical films on posterior and/or anterior teeth

- horizontal and vertical bite wings for posterior teeth
- occlusal films for the floor of the mouth and/or the palate
- This can be provided as required based on clinical need and in line with current IR(ME)R guidance. (TBC)

Radiographic Examination (extraoral)

- This includes:
 - Panoramic (OPG) films
 - Lateral cephalogram
- This can be provided as required based on clinical need and in line with current IR(ME)R guidance. (TBC)

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