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District of Columbia

To: AmeriHealth Caritas DC Dental Providers

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From: Nathan Fletcher, D.D.S., Dental Director

Subject: New Covered Benefit: Placement of Device to Facilitate Eruption of Impacted Tooth

Summary: Therefore, Amerihealth Caritas District of Columbia (DC) has decided to include D7283 in the fee schedule as a covered benefit effective June 1, 2018.

During the course of clinical review of it was recognized that the facilitation of orthodontic services includes the Exposure of an unerupted tooth (D7280) and Mobilization of that tooth to aid its eruption (D7282) it is likely there would be a need for the placement of a device to facilitate the eruption with a bracket or appliance as well (D7283). D7280 and D7282 are currently covered benefits. D7283 is not a covered benefit.

Therefore, Amerihealth Caritas District of Columbia (DC) has decided to include D7283 in the fee schedule as a covered benefit effective June 1, 2018.

D7283 will require the same criteria as D7280 and D7282 for consideration through the authorization process and will require documentation including pretreatment x-rays and a narrative for review. Failure to provide these required documents will result in a denial of the benefit.

We hope this will simplify the administrative concerns that have arisen and will ensure the best and most appropriate delivery of services in the interest of our members and providers.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for questions or concerns in this regard at 202-379-8571.



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