

DENTAL CODING / REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

SCALING AND DEBRIDEMENT OF A SINGLE IMPLANT

Policy # D015

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- 1. Policies are subject to change without notice.
- 2. Policies outline coverage determinations for Select Health Commercial and Select Health Advantage (Medicare/CMS) plans. Refer to the "Policy" section for more information.

Description

Code D6081 describes scaling and debridement in the presence of inflammation or mucositis of a single implant, including cleaning of the implant surfaces, without flap entry and closure. The need for this procedure will be indicated by; inflamed gingival tissue, bleeding upon probing, large pocket depths (4mm or more), and/or discomfort in site. Leaving this issue untreated may lead to bone loss and eventual loss of implant failure.

Commercial Plan Policy

Select Health will reimburse this procedure when the following criteria is met:

Chart notes and a current perio chart indicate:

- Inflamed gingival tissue
- Bleeding upon probing
- Large pocket depths (4mm or more)
- And/or discomfort in site.

Select Health Advantage (Medicare/CMS)

Select Health Advantage will follow the commercial plan

Billing/Coding Information

CDT CODES:

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Key References

1. Current Dental Terminology (2017) – American Dental Association

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