

Update to Topical Fluoride Varnish Coverage for Dental Providers

Note:

The information shared below does <u>not</u> impact UHC's coverage or reimbursement of fluoride varnish application by primary care practitioners for members 6 months through 5 years of age.

This is a separate, additional coverage option being implemented by the Louisiana Department of Health dental vendors – MCNA and DentaQuest.

Effective November 1, 2023, all beneficiaries enrolled in Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT), Adult Waiver, and Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) dental programs will be eligible to receive topical fluoride varnish.

Eligible Current Dental Technology (CDT) codes and requirements below:

D1206: Topical Fluoride Varnish; Therapeutic Application for Moderate to High Caries Risk Patients

D1208: Topical Application of Fluoride – Excluding Varnish

Application of topical fluoride varnish must be delivered in a single visit. It must involve the entire oral cavity and is not to be used for desensitization. Reimbursement of fluoride treatment is limited to either D1206 or D1208 once per six-month period for the same beneficiary. Please note a combination of D1206 and D1208 are NOT reimbursable in the same sixmonth period.

Questions regarding claims should be directed to the appropriate dental benefit program manager:

DentaQuest Provider Relations: 1-800-508-6785

MCNA Dental Provider Relations: 1-855-701-6262

LDH has published Informational Bulletin 23-20 for your reference <u>IB23-20.pdf (la.gov)</u>. Questions or concerns regarding this bulletin can be addressed by contacting UnitedHealthcare Community Plan at 1-866-675-1607.