

Guide to participation in the **TennCare Adult Program**

TennCare Adult
TennCare ECF Choices
TennCare 1915(c) IDD

Information and Support for Dentists and Dental Office Staff

Renaissance appreciates the commitment to oral health and celebrates the role dental providers play in increasing access to care for Tennessee residents.

Participation in the Renaissance TennCare Adult Network provides quality dental care and oral health education to TennCare Adults, ECF Choices, and 1915(c) populations.

Please review the information in this guide to better understand how the TennCare Adults Program works, responsibilities as a participating provider, important program requirements, and details on where additional information for problem-free claims submissions can be found. The goal is to make the provider experience with Renaissance as efficient as possible through courteous service and decreased administrative burden.

Renaissance looks forward to working together to make sure that the relationship between Renaissance and the TennCare Adults Program is successful for dental providers and members.

This provider manual is subject to periodic updates; please ensure that you are using the most recent version which can be found online at www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com

The provider manual also contains a Revision History log in Appendix B with the version number, revision date, and description of revision.

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<p>Persian: فارسی توجه: اگر به زبان فارسی گفتگو می کنید، تسهیلات زبانی بصورت رایگان برای شما فراهم می باشد. با 1-866-864-2526 تماس بگیرید.</p>
<p>The Beneficiary Support System (BSS) helps people who are enrolled in the CHOICES, Employment and Community First (ECF) CHOICES, and the Katie Beckett program. They also help people who want to enroll into these programs. For help call 888-723-8193.</p> <p>The TennCare Program does not discriminate against people because of their race, color, national origin including limited English proficiency and primary language, age, disability, religion, or sex. If you need reasonable modifications or think you were treated differently, or discriminated against you can file a grievance (complaint) with TennCare’s Office of Civil Rights Compliance at HCFA.fairtreatment@tn.gov, https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/civil-rights-compliance.html, 310 Great Circle Road Floor 3W, Nashville, TN 37243, or calling 615-507-6474 (TRS 711). Need help filing a grievance? Call TennCare Connect at 855-259-0701.</p>

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Section 1

Welcome to the Renaissance TennCare Adult Network

Thank you for participating in the Renaissance TennCare Adult network. Dental practices play a critical role in ensuring that persons who receive dental benefits under TennCare's Adult programs have access to the diagnostic, preventive, and therapeutic dental treatment needed to achieve and maintain good oral health, which is critical to overall health and well-being.

To help members and providers have the best experience with Renaissance and the TennCare Adult Program, this easy-to-understand guide will provide information to help deliver member services in accordance with the provisions of the TennCare Adult Programs and the generally accepted standards of dental practice.

The guide is organized into sections that walk through the clinical and administrative processes needed to:

- Navigate the Renaissance TennCare Adult network credentialing, re-credentialing, and participation requirements.
- Understand the rights and responsibilities of both the members and providers.
- Appropriately verify member eligibility or the lack thereof.
- Know what dental services are and are not covered.
- Understand claim processing policies, document requirements, and guidelines for planned and completed services (including those services requiring prior authorization).
- Follow TennCare Adult guidelines related to the interaction and treatment of eligible members.
- Enter and handle appropriate patient treatment records in accordance with applicable privacy and security standards.
- Submit and follow up on claims in the appropriate manner.
- Understand the information contained in Explanation of Benefit (EOB) forms.
- Follow the appropriate steps in the case of adverse claim decisions.
- Understand how to handle suspected cases of fraud, waste, or abuse.
- Access additional information when needed

Portions of this manual may be periodically modified to reflect updated policies or changes in the program or dental procedure codes and recorded in the Revision History log in Appendix B with the date and a brief description of the change. Alterations will be consistent with the requirements of the provider participation agreement, and the most up-to-date version can be found through the Dental Office Toolkit® at <https://www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com>.

Program Objective

The primary objective of TennCare’s DBM program is to create a comprehensive dental care system offering quality dental covered services that are medically necessary to eligible Tennessee residents. Renaissance emphasizes early intervention and prompt access to necessary dental care, thereby improving health outcomes for Tennessee residents.

Are You Building a “Dental Home” For Your Members?

Effective November 1, 2025, Renaissance will be implementing the Dental Home program in Tennessee for TennCare Adult Members. The primary Dental Home is a place where a member’s oral health care is delivered in a complete, accessible, and family-centered manner by a licensed dentist. This concept has been successfully employed by primary care physicians in developing a “Medical Home” for their members, and the Dental Home concept mirrors this approach for primary dental and oral health care. Members will be assigned to a Dental Home through a tiered review process, taking into account previous claims history, claims history of a sibling and/or family member, network adequacy requirements, and quality ranking of the dentist. If expanded or specialty dental services are required, the general dentist is not expected to deliver the services if they do not have the expertise to do so, but to coordinate the referral and to monitor the outcome. Provider support is essential to effectively employ the Dental Home program for TennCare Adult Dental Program Members. With assistance and support from dental professionals, a system for improving the overall health of adults in the TennCare Adult program can be achieved.

Section 2

Support Services Contact Information – Where to Find Additional Information and Help Renaissance

Mailing address

Renaissance Gov. Prog. Inquires
P.O Box 1505
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-1505

Inquiries

Renaissance Inquiries
P.O. Box 1505
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-1505

Claims

Renaissance Claims
P.O. Box 2720
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-2720

Provider Appeals & Grievances

P.O. Box 1505
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-1505

Important Contact Information and Links

- Customer Service 866-864-2526 (TTY users dial 711)
- Provider Records 800-971-4143
- Professional Relations 800-864-2526
- Renaissance Website tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com
- Join Our Network <https://www.renproviderportal.com/pact-ui/login>
- Provider Website <https://www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com/>
- Dental Office Toolkit <https://rendentalofficetoolkit.com>
- NPI NPPES NPI Registry
- Claims Submission <https://www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com>
- Credentialing ProviderExcellence@renaissancefamily.com
- Peer-to-Peer tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com
- Continuing Education tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com
- Fraud and Abuse tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com
- Fraud and Abuse Hotline 800-971-4139

Customer Service

Customer service representatives are available for eligible TennCare Adult members Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. CT. A self-service member portal and automated system is available 24/7.

Members may contact Customer Service for the following:

- Benefits (also available via <https://www.renmemberportal.com/mp/rengp/> and telephone automated system 866-864-2526)
- Claim processing
- Claim status (also available via <https://www.renmemberportal.com/mp/rengp/> and telephone automated system 866-864-2526)
- Eligibility (also available via <https://www.renmemberportal.com/mp/rengp/> and telephone automated system 866-864-2526)
- Filing a claim
- Grievances and appeals
- Referral to dental professionals for utilization management questions
- Report fraud, waste, and abuse

Any calls where Protected Health Information (PHI) is discussed are required to be authenticated. Please be prepared with the following:

- The dentist or office name
- Dentist tax ID number
- TennCare Adult member ID number
- Member name, date of birth, and address

Renaissance Provider Records

Please contact provider records at 800-971-4143 or ProviderExcellence@renaissancefamily.com if any of the following apply:

- Change of office address or phone number
- Have a change in credentialing information
- Are a new dentist opening an office or have a new associate dentist joining the practice
- Change the tax identification number (TIN)
- Have questions about the participation agreement, credentialing, and re-credentialing
- Would like to schedule an office visit with a Renaissance professional relations representative regarding office training needs, network participation, claims processing guidelines, attachment requirements, or any other area of concern
- Need information regarding network participation

Provider Data Accuracy and Validation

It's important that Renaissance has accurate information about the participating dental practices for TennCare Adult. This allows Renaissance to better support its providers and members.

Additionally, accurate information assists with timely and accurate claims processing. Invalid information can negatively affect provider services and member access to care.

As a Renaissance provider, review the dental practice listing in Renaissance's online provider directory regularly to ensure the information is updated. Whenever possible, notify Renaissance in writing at least 30 days in advance of practice changes such as, but not limited to:

- Change in office location(s), office hours, phone, fax, or email
- Addition or closure of office location(s)
- Addition or termination of a dentist within an existing clinic/practice
- Change in tax ID and/or NPI number
- Opening or closing the dental practice to new members, including those with special needs
- Change in any other information that may affect member access to care

Please email practice updates to ProviderExcellence@renaissancefamily.com or contact a provider records representative if dental practice information needs to be updated or corrected at 800-971-4143.

Renaissance is required to audit and validate its network data and provider directories on a routine basis. As part of its validation efforts, Renaissance may reach out to participating providers through various methods, such as letters, telephone campaigns, face-to-face contact, etc. Please provide timely responses to these communications.

Section 3

Credentialing and Recredentialing for Dentists

Renaissance and TennCare have the sole right to determine which dentists (DDS or DMD) they shall accept and allow to continue as participating providers. The purpose of the credentialing plan is to provide a general guide for the acceptance, monitoring, discipline, and termination of participating providers.

How to Begin and Maintain Participation in the Renaissance Tennessee TennCare Adult Network

Providers in the Renaissance Provider Network are selected and credentialed based on established criteria reflecting professional standards for education, training, and licensure. Dentists must have and maintain the appropriate dental license, malpractice coverage, Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) certificate (if required), and specialty license, diploma, certificate, or permit, as applicable.

Please see below for a brief description of how to get started:

<https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/tenncare/documents/TenncareIndividualMedicalServicesRoadmap.pdf>

Before providing services to members, TennCare requires providers to be enrolled with the State of Tennessee. Providers who are not already enrolled with the State of Tennessee must apply and obtain a TennCare Adult Identification (ID) number. Further information for completing the TennCare enrollment can be found at: [How to apply](#).

Additionally, prior to participation in the Renaissance TennCare Adult network, the following are required:

- Obtain a National Provider Identifier (NPI) number, as mandated by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996. Providers must have an individual NPI number and/or a billing NPI number. To apply for an NPI, do one of the following:
 - Complete the application at <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov>
 - Call 1-800-465-3203 to request an application from NPPES

Enroll as a provider with the State of Tennessee at <https://pdms.tenncare.tn.gov/Account/Login.aspx>.

Providers who are already part of the TennCare provider network must report the assigned TennCare Adult ID number and applicable NPI number(s) to Renaissance as soon as possible to obtain credentialing through Renaissance and remain in the network.

Please submit the number to: ProviderExcellence@renaissancefamily.com

For Dentists Not Currently Participating with Renaissance

Dentists who choose to begin participating with Renaissance should go to Renaissance's web site at tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com and fill out the request form to receive more information. In addition to the TennCare requirements listed above, dentists must provide Renaissance with the forms and information required for credentialing and enrollment as a participating dentist.

Credentialing with Renaissance

Dentists applying to participate in the Renaissance TennCare Adult Network must accurately and thoroughly complete the Confidential Credentialing Application and provide the following credentialing elements as applicable to the dentist and the dentist's practice:

- Proof of graduation from an accredited dental school and completion of specialty training, as applicable.
- A copy of an active state issued dental license.
- Board certification status.
- Clinical privileges in good standing at the hospital designated as the primary admitting facility, if any.
- Individual NPI Number (NPI Type 1).
- Business NPI Number (NPI Type 2), if applicable.
- W-9 Form.
- Dentist Authorized Signature Form.
- A copy of a Federal DEA license, if applicable.
- A copy of a liability declaration page showing at least the minimum required malpractice liability coverage.
- Disclosure of any licensing board actions, malpractice claims, and other adverse personal or professional background information.
- Federally mandated ownership control form.
- Work history, including a minimum of the most recent five years of work history as a health professional.

Renaissance's credentialing and recredentialing processes comply with National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) standards, applicable federal civil rights laws, and do not discriminate in the treatment of dentists in the enrollment, credentialing, and recredentialing processes on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, age, religion, religion, or any other protected class.

Network application and credentialing information should be submitted as described in the participation information received from Renaissance. Please notify our provider records staff immediately of any changes in the above credentialing elements at 800-971-4143 or ProviderExcellence@renaissancefamily.com.

Recredentialing Information with Renaissance

As a participating provider with Renaissance, re-credentialing is required every 36 months to maintain participation.

Renaissance's secure and confidential online Provider Application & Credentialing Toolkit (PACT) is available to complete recredentialing electronically. PACT offers a seamless recredentialing experience for providers. Providers can easily manage applications within the PACT dashboard with an intuitive user interface that ensures accurate information is being recorded. Reactive questions and clear instructions streamline the recredentialing workflow for dentists and administrators alike. With PACT:

- When recredentialing is due, an automatic electronic e-mail notification will be sent from Renaissance that includes a link to PACT.
- Recredentialing forms auto-populate with existing dentist information.
- Upload required documentation with the recredentialing form.
- Submit recredentialing information with a single click.
- If additional information is needed after submission, providers will receive an email linking back to PACT, where clear comments and instructions for further edits will be displayed. A provider's existing application can be easily corrected and resubmitted to seamlessly resume the recredentialing process.

Access PACT by going to the web page at <https://www.renproviderportal.com/>. If the dental provider is new to PACT, navigate to the PACT website home screen, select 'Click here to register' and enter the dental provider NPI number to begin the account creation process.

Please notify Renaissance's provider records staff immediately of any changes in recredentialing elements at 800-971-4143 or via email at ProviderExcellence@renaissancefamily.com.

Appeal of Credentialing/Recredentialing

If Renaissance declines to include a dentist in its network(s), the reason for the decision will be provided to the dentist(s) in writing. Renaissance also provides dentists with an appeals mechanism in cases where participation in a Renaissance network has been denied or terminated. The dentist must request an appeal of the credentialing decision in writing within 30 days of notification of the decision to the applicant. Concerns should be communicated to Renaissance at 800-971-4143 or ProviderExcellence@renaissancefamily.com.

Nothing in this credentialing plan limits Renaissance's discretion to accept or discipline participating providers. No portion of this credentialing plan limits Renaissance's right to restrict participation by a dental office or terminate a provider's participation in accordance with the participating provider's written agreement instead of this credentialing plan.

Exclusions and Limitations

Renaissance will not accept providers into the TennCare Adult networks who have been:

- Excluded by the United States Department of Health and Human Services
- Excluded by the Office of the Inspector General
- Excluded by the State of Tennessee (TennCare)

Renaissance must credential each provider location and is not required to credential all of a provider's locations. Renaissance and TennCare have the final decision-making power regarding network participation. Renaissance will notify TennCare of all disciplinary actions enacted upon participating providers.

Section 4

Provider Responsibilities and Rights

Important Information About Participation in the Renaissance TennCare Adult Network Providers are Responsible for:

- Treating members with respect, fairness, and dignity, including HIPAA-compliant privacy standards.
- Notifying the member in writing if a recommended service or supply is not a covered service and obtain a written waiver from the member prior to rendering such service that indicates the member was aware that such service or supply is not a covered service, and that the member agrees to pay for such service or supply.
- Compliance with this Provider Manual, policies and procedures, and terms of the Provider Agreement.
- Not discriminating against members on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, mental or physical disability, limited English proficiency, marital status, arrest record, conviction record, healthcare coverage, military involvement, or any other protected class. Members and providers have a right to report or file a discrimination complaint. If a member complains, they have the right to keep getting care without fear of bad treatment from providers or Renaissance. You can file a complaint online or learn more about your rights.
- Following all state and federal laws regarding member care, patient rights, and those applicable to disease and infection control.
- Making covered services available on a timely basis, based on medical appropriateness.
- Providing urgent care within 48 hours and routine care within 3 weeks of determining the need for treatment.
- Ensuring that the office wait time does not exceed forty-five (45) minutes.
- Making arrangements for emergency dental care to be available for members of the dental practice 24/7, including vacations and holidays.
- Providing members an understandable notice of the office privacy rights and responsibilities.
- Informing members and responsible persons about potential risks and/or benefits of recommended treatment and available alternatives prior to beginning treatment.
- Allowing members or responsible persons to be involved in making decisions about dental treatment when patient input is appropriate.
- Ensuring that dental services delivered are medically necessary and within established guidelines for evidence-based, quality standards of dental practice.
- Maintaining complete records of treatment on all members according to State of Tennessee regulatory requirements and the applicable standards of the dental profession.
- Not charging members for missed appointments.
- Confirming member eligibility on the date of service.
- Submitting claims for services performed on members within 120 days after services are provided, including all documentation necessary to review, process, and finalize the claims.
- Always informing members and responsible persons of the cost of non-covered services that are recommended and obtaining a signed private-pay agreement from responsible persons before beginning treatment. <https://www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com>
- When required, providing in a thorough and timely manner any information required for Renaissance

to carry out claims processing or conduct quality assurance reviews and/or in-office audits.

- Dentists participating in TennCare Adult programs administered by Renaissance, are required under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) and federal regulations at 42 CFR 447.26 to report provider preventable conditions to Renaissance. Renaissance is prohibited from paying for provider preventable conditions. Under existing law, examples of a provider preventable condition are the wrong surgical or other invasive procedure performed on a patient, surgical or other invasive procedure on the wrong body part, or surgical or other invasive procedure performed on the wrong patient.
- Providing members with access to and free copies of their medical records when requested, or if the member is being transferred to another office.
- Providing records to the DBM and/or TennCare upon request and at no charge, if the provider is under review/audit
- Following Renaissance clinical policy guidelines and reporting responsibilities.
- Allowing a member to stop treatment when the member requests it and accompany the requested action with information about the implications of stopping care. This should be documented in the member's record as well.
- Allowing members (with written documentation) to appoint a family member or other representative to participate in care decisions.
- Answering member questions honestly and in an understandable manner.
- Allowing members the ability to obtain a second opinion and how to access healthcare services appropriately.
- Notifying Renaissance if members have other insurance coverage.
- Reporting improper payments or overpayments to Renaissance.
- Accepting from Renaissance as payment in full for covered services the lesser of: (1) the applicable amount set forth in the Renaissance fee schedule; or (2) submitted fee.
- Reporting to appropriate channels possible fraud and abuse by a member or provider.
- Providing convenient hours of operation that do not discriminate against TennCare Adult members. The hours of operation for treating TennCare Adult members must be no less than the hours for other members with commercial insurance or for noninsured members who pay directly for dental care.

Rights as a Participant in the Renaissance Tennessee TennCare Adult Network

As a participating Renaissance TennCare Adult dentist, providers have the right to:

- Access and review any credentialing/recredentialing information supplied to Renaissance.
- Free access to members' benefits and eligibility information.
- Communicate with and advise members about oral health status, dental care, and treatment options.
- Have access to language interpretive services arranged by Renaissance at no cost to the dental practice or members.
- Recommend dental treatment to members even if the treatment is not a covered service under TennCare Adult dental plans administered by Renaissance (when recommending non-covered services to a patient in one of these programs, a signed pre-service private pay agreement must be obtained).
- Submit and receive claims information electronically through Renaissance's claim processing system that allows for automated processing and adjudication of claims, as well as access to claims status

and patient benefit and eligibility information.

- Receive prompt and accurate claims processing and direct payment from Renaissance in accordance with all applicable state and federal prompt payment laws.
- Not be subjected to discrimination with respect to participation, reimbursement, or indemnification as a provider who is acting within the scope of their license or certification under applicable State law, solely on the basis of such license or certification. Not be subjected to discrimination for serving high-risk members or if a provider specializes in conditions requiring costly treatments. This provision shall not be construed as prohibiting TennCare or Renaissance from limiting a provider's or subcontractor's participation to the extent necessary to meet the needs of members. This provision is not intended and shall not interfere with measures established by TennCare that are designed to maintain quality of care practice standards and control costs. In addition, as a participant in a program receiving federal funds, providers shall not be subjected to discrimination because of their race, color, national origin, disability, age, sex, conscience and religious freedom, or other statuses protected by federal and/or state law.
- Have access to information on how Renaissance decides whether a service is covered and/or medically necessary, and who in Renaissance's office makes the decision.
- Access to a complaint resolution process with timely responses that may be used to file, as appropriate, an inquiry, grievance, or appeal when there is a disagreement with an action taken by Renaissance, including disapproval of a request for a prior authorization, non-payment of a claim, denial/termination from a Renaissance network, or other complaints.
- Timely response from Renaissance to inquiries, grievances, appeals, and/or administrative hearings.
- Safeguarding by Renaissance of the confidential information in patient records with access allowed only in accordance with applicable federal and state regulations and legal requirements.
- Make recommendations about these responsibilities and rights or Renaissance's policies and procedures.
- Exercise these rights without adversely affecting the way Renaissance treats the provider.
- Have access to Renaissance UM staff when seeking information about the UM process and/or to help understand a Renaissance decision to deny care or coverage or whether to appeal a decision.

Section 5

Member Rights and Responsibilities

What Renaissance TennCare Adult Members Are Entitled to and Responsible for

Renaissance TennCare Adult Members Have the Right to:

- Be treated with fairness, respect, and an appreciation of the need to maintain privacy and dignity.
- Be free from discrimination based on age, ancestry, claims experience, color, disability, expectation and receipt of frequent or high-cost care, sex, genetic information, health status, medical condition (including pregnancy and physical or mental illness), medical or dental history, national origin, religion, or any other protected class.
- Be furnished health care services in accordance with the applicable sections of
- Chapter 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations. See 42 CFR §438.206 through §438.210, which relate to service availability, assurances of adequate capacity and services, coordination and continuity of care, and coverage and authorization of services.
- Receive information on available treatment options and alternatives, presented in a manner appropriate to the condition and ability to understand in accordance with the applicable sections of Chapter 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations. See 42 CFR §438.10.
- Be free from any form of restraint or seclusion used as a means of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation, including the freedom to exercise their rights without fear of retaliation. This does not refer to the appropriate use of protective stabilization when indicated, and with the member's or legal representative's written consent.
- Be free from segregation in any way from other persons receiving dental services.
- Have free choice of general dentists and dental specialists participating with Renaissance consistent with the rules of their dental plan or program.
- Know the names and credentials of the dental health care providers delivering services.
- Receive assistance if difficulties in accessing dental care arise that the patient cannot resolve alone.
- Have timely barrier-free access to appropriate dental care consistent with Renaissance network standards. Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, a federal law that prohibits discrimination in access to services and employment against persons who are disabled, a disabled individual has a right to reasonable accommodation to facilitate access to a dental office and appropriate dental treatment. Reasonable accommodation may involve removing physical barriers, modifying an office policy or procedure that limits access to a disabled person, or providing auxiliary aids and services, such as sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, large print materials, etc.
- Receive appropriate dental care services, consistent with applicable standards for access, periodicity of treatment, and quality, that are provided in a prompt, dignified, responsible, and culturally competent manner. If needed, receive free language interpreter/translation services in a language specified by the member by contacting customer service at 1-866-864-2526.
- Available services 24 hours a day, seven days a week when such availability is medically necessary.
- Have a candid discussion of appropriate or medically necessary treatment options, regardless of cost or benefit coverage.
- Participate with practitioners in decisions regarding necessary health care, including the right to refuse treatment.
- Receive detailed information on emergency and after-hours dental care coverage, including when to

seek emergency dental care, how and where to obtain emergency dental care and post-stabilization services after an emergency problem is stabilized, that any hospital or other appropriate setting may be used, and that emergency dental care does not require prior approval.

- Participate in decisions regarding necessary dental care, including expressing preferences about treatment options, requesting a second opinion, or refusing treatment.
- Receive full and understandable information about any financial responsibilities before dental treatment is started. Relevant information includes, but is not limited to, knowing which dental services are covered under the dental plan or program, as well as applicable prohibitions against being charged for non-covered services unless a written agreement is in place to pay for services before treatment is rendered.
- As appropriate to the dental plan or program, receive a notice in a timely manner after a claim for dental benefits is filed with information on what is and what will not be covered by the dental plan and the reason for Renaissance's determination.
- Voice complaints, grievances, or appeals about the organization or the care it provides.
- Make inquiries to Renaissance for help with questions or concerns.
- Utilize Renaissance's grievance procedures to resolve problems including, but not limited to, complaints about dental plan administration or the quality of the care received.
- Utilize Renaissance's appeal procedures to file an appeal if disagreement with a decision about claim payment or coverage exists.
- Request and receive a free copy of dental records in the manner prescribed by federal and state law, and request that the records be amended or corrected if the patient believes the records are inaccurate.
- Have the privacy of personal and health information protected as required by federal and state laws and regulations.
- Make recommendations about the policies and services of the dental plan and/or rights and responsibilities under the plan.
- Exercise these rights without adversely affecting the way that Renaissance or participating dentists treats the patient.
- As appropriate to the dental plan or program, contact involved government agencies or health plans with any questions or complaints.

Member Responsibilities

Renaissance TennCare Adult Members or Other Responsible Persons Have the Responsibility to:

- Follow the rules, policies, and procedures of TennCare Adult dental plans administered by Renaissance.
- Provide information (to the extent possible) needed by Renaissance, its providers, and other healthcare providers so they can deliver appropriate care.
- Be familiar with what the dental plan or program does and does not cover.
- Show the dental plan, health plan, or program identification card to appropriate dental practice staff before receiving services.
- Not allow anyone else to use the assigned patient's dental plan, health plan, or other program identification card.
- Inform the dentist and Renaissance when a change of address, phone number, or other information is necessary.
- Make appointments for routine dental checkups as recommended by the dentist.
- Keep dental appointments or cancel them in advance, with appropriate notice as dictated by dental office policy.
- Provide the dentist with full information about past medical and dental histories and current dental problems.
- Tell the dentist if there is a change in medical or dental conditions.
- Ask questions if the patient does not understand their current dental health status or recommended dental care.
- Follow the treatment plan agreed upon with the treating dentist, including the dentist's advice about post-operative care, personal oral care, and nutrition.
- Understand and use the appropriate grievance or appeals process as the first step in resolving complaints about coverage, benefit payment, dental plan administration, or the quality of the care received.
- Make prompt payment for services not covered by the dental plan or program if a written private-pay agreement was signed prior to non-covered services being performed by the dentist.
- Treat other dental members and dental practice staff with respect.
- Report any observed fraud, waste, or abuse.
- Comply with all rules and regulations pertaining to the provision of dental treatment for children in foster care.

Section 6

Member Enrollment and Eligibility

How to Verify Member Eligibility for TennCare Adult Dental Plans Administered by Renaissance

Renaissance does not perform enrollment functions for members. The TennCare Division, a branch of the Tennessee State Government, determines member eligibility. Eligibility data is updated to Renaissance daily. On each date of service, providers are responsible for verifying member eligibility on the Dental Office Toolkit® (DOT) or by phone on the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) system. The TennCare Provider Eligibility Portal is the source of truth for all eligibility and may be checked at: <https://mylogin.tennCare.gov/>.

If eligibility is not confirmed on the date of service before treatment begins and the provider delivers services to an ineligible patient, Renaissance will not reimburse for services, and the provider cannot bill the patient for the services. Please verify eligibility for all Renaissance TennCare Adult members prior to the start of each appointment. Due to possible eligibility status changes, the information provided by Renaissance does not guarantee payment.

In addition to the provider NPI number(s), the following information is necessary to verify eligibility: Member Details:

- Member TennCare Adult identification (ID) number or Social Security number
- Member date of birth
- Member name
- Date of service

Access and verify patient eligibility in the following ways:

- View member benefits and eligibility via the Dental Office Toolkit® (DOT) at <http://www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com/>. When accessing DOT, the following information is available:
 - Look up patient benefit information
 - Submit prior authorizations
 - Submit claims, review the status of submitted claims, or view claims history
 - Access account activity
 - Sign up for direct deposit
- Customer service representatives are available Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. CT at 866-864-2526 to assist.

Renewal/Re-Enrollment

Member eligibility redetermination, renewal of eligibility, or re-enrollment - Renaissance is not involved in this process. A renewal is a periodic redetermination of eligibility after initial eligibility has been established. As a reminder, providers are expected to verify member eligibility each time before a service is rendered.

Member Disenrollment

Members may choose to disenroll from the TennCare Adult dental program. Retaliatory action against a patient for disenrolling from the program is not allowed. Please verify a patient's eligibility and participation with Renaissance before providing services.

Section 7

Caring for Renaissance TennCare Adult Members

Responsibilities for Patient Interaction, Treatment, Record Keeping, and Privacy

What is Renaissance Doing to Address Barriers to Care?

To address barriers to care and provide high quality health care to all members Renaissance is taking steps to support practices with delivering high quality dental outcomes for all patient populations. For example:

- Renaissance has adopted the [culturally and linguistically appropriate services \(CLAS\)](#) recommendations of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as a guideline in the development of the cultural competency program. Information on Renaissance’s cultural competency program can be found at [Cultural Competency | Renaissance](#). Additionally, Renaissance’s website has additional features that provide participating dentists with on-demand tools and educational materials for many different topics, including cultural competency, program requirements, and special needs care.
- Renaissance encourages participating dentists to address the care and service provided to TennCare Adult members with diverse values, beliefs, and backgrounds in a culturally sensitive manner.
- Renaissance’s materials for TennCare Adult Members and responsible persons are written at a 5th grade reading level to facilitate the level of communication and understanding between members, dentists, and Renaissance.
- Renaissance provides communication and translation services. (See “Effective Communication with TennCare Adult members below).
- Renaissance monitors and evaluates the level of cultural competency throughout the Renaissance Tennessee TennCare Adult Network through an evaluation of the dental services provided by participating dentists and via communications with TennCare Adult Members and responsible persons.

Take Advantage of Renaissance’s Free Cultural Competency Training

Cultural competency refers to the ongoing and intentional attainment of skills that allow an individual to function effectively when interacting with people who have different backgrounds and experiences. Cultural competency is an important skill for dental providers to develop. As a dentist participating in the Renaissance Tennessee Network, free training on cultural competency is provided to meet contractual requirements with Renaissance for annual cultural competency training.

- For your convenience, this module is combined with a free training module on fraud, waste, and abuse (FWA) prevention and detection, which is required by U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) administration regulations. Once both training modules are completed, submit a cultural competency and FWA training acknowledgment form, which satisfies the annual training requirements. The training modules and form can be accessed through Renaissance's online annual provider training web page at: tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com

Effective Communication with TennCare Adult Members

Utilizing the members' primary spoken (or signed) language, Renaissance will help provide services to TennCare Adult members in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner. Renaissance provides a language interpretation service to all dentists participating in the Renaissance Tennessee TennCare Adult Network at no cost. If there is a language barrier with a patient, Renaissance can either conference an interpreter into a three-way call between the provider and patient, or a speaker phone in a HIPAA complaint location can be used if a non-English speaking TennCare Adult patient is in the office. Sign language interpretation is also available and can be scheduled ahead of time by calling Renaissance at 866-864-2526 (TTY users dial 711).

Members with cognitive impairments may also require communication accommodation. Cognitive impairment can be seen in a variety of congenital conditions or those acquired later in life, such as a developmental problem or difficulties secondary to acquired health problems (e.g. brain injury, stroke, brain tumor, anoxia and mental health disorder). The National Institutes of Health offers some ideas for communicating with cognitively impaired members of any age at the following link:

<https://www.nia.nih.gov/health/health-care-professionals-information/assessing-cognitive-impairment-older-members>

Please refer to the following link on this website on treating members with special needs:
tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com

Discrimination

Members must receive culturally competent care, and they have the right to receive health care, free from discrimination on the basis of their age, sex, race, color, religion, physical or mental disability, national origin, economic status or payment source, type/degree of illness or condition, or any other classification that is protected by federal and state laws and regulations.

Providers shall comply with [Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964](#), [Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973](#), [Section 1557 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act](#), [Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990](#), [the Age Discrimination Act of 1975](#), [Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972](#), and [conscience and religious freedom protections](#) in the provision of equal opportunities for members and participants. These requirements include providers having policies and procedures for delivering services in a nondiscriminatory and cultural competent manner, providing free language and communication assistance services to individuals, providing individuals with reasonable accommodations, discrimination complaint procedures, and for regularly inspecting assessment methods and any data algorithms, such as clinical algorithms, to promote equity and eliminate bias with generating assessment results. Provider's staff members shall receive annual training on the provider's: policies on how to deliver services in nondiscriminatory and culturally competent manner, complaint procedures, process to obtain free language assistance services for LEP individuals, process for providing free effective communication services (auxiliary aids or services) to individuals with disabilities, and process for providing reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities. Providers' new hires must receive this training within thirty (30) days of joining the provider's workforce.

Providers must cooperate with Renaissance and TennCare during discrimination complaint investigations. In addition, providers must assist members in obtaining discrimination complaint forms and submitting the forms to TennCare. More information about civil rights compliance, including forms, policies, and notices is available on TennCare's Office of Civil Rights Compliance's ("OCRC") webpages for members and providers.

TennCare’s Non-Discrimination Compliance Office Contact Information:

Division of TennCare, TennCare,
[Office of Civil Rights Compliance](#)
310 Great Circle Road; Floor 3W
Nashville, TN 37243 615-507-6474 (TRS 711)
HCFA.fairtreatment@tn.gov

TennCare Discrimination Complaint Form

English TennCare Discrimination Form: [TennCare Discrimination Complaint Form](#)

Spanish TennCare Discrimination Form – [Formulario de queja por discriminación de TennCare](#)

Arabic TennCare Discrimination Form – [TennCare نموذج شكوى التمييز لبرنامج](#)

Use Best Practices for Treating Members

Prior to treating a patient, make sure to develop and record the appropriate diagnoses, prepare a written treatment plan, and provide treatment in an appropriate sequence (e.g., pain/infection control, treatment of extensive caries, endodontic treatment, periodontal treatment, restorative, and prosthetic treatment), then recall members at appropriate intervals, consistent with the patient’s needs and the AAPD periodicity schedule, as applicable. As dental caries is of particular concern, it is best practice to perform a caries risk assessment for each TennCare Adult patient and take individual caries risk status (e.g., high, medium, low) into account when developing each patient’s treatment and maintenance plan. The ADA has a caries risk assessment (CRA) method and form on the organization website for use in the dental office:

- ADA CRA reference: <https://www.ada.org/resources/ada-library/oral-health-topics/caries-risk-assessment-and-management>

Prior to treatment, make sure to (1) review treatment plans and options with the patient or responsible persons, and then (2) obtain the appropriate written informed consent documenting that the patient, or responsible person/representative, understands the risks, benefits, and alternatives to the proposed dental care and agrees to treatment.

The timing and sequencing of treatment is the responsibility of the dentist rendering care and should always be determined by the treating dentist based on the patient’s needs.

How to Support Continuity of Care with Good Patient Records

Good clinical recordkeeping helps track the patient’s dental needs, provide the right care at the right time, follow up on the patient’s post-treatment progress, plan the patient’s future treatment needs, obtain reimbursement from insurance payers, and communicate effectively with other health care professionals in coordinating the patient’s dental and medical treatment.

TennCare Adult records shall be:

- Of sufficient quality to fully disclose and document the extent of services provided to individuals receiving TennCare Adult assistance.
- Documented at the time the services are provided or rendered, and prior to associated claim submission.

All providers shall maintain, for a period of ten (10) years from the date TennCare Adult services are provided to a member, such medical or other records as are necessary to fully disclose and document the extent of the

services provided. A copy of a claim form that has been submitted by the provider for reimbursement is not sufficient documentation, in and of itself, to comply with this requirement.

Providers must maintain records that are independent of claims for reimbursement. Please see the following link for information that should be included in the dental record:

<https://www.ada.org/resources/practice/practice-management/documentation-patient-records>

If a Renaissance, Tennessee TennCare Adult, or CMS authority requests access to the patient's treatment records, participating dentists must make the records available in a timely manner. Requests for access to a participating dentist's records may be for the purposes of examination, audit, investigation, contract administration, or any other purpose(s) deemed necessary for contract compliance, enforcement, or performance of regulatory functions, subject to compliance with applicable law or regulations.

Protect Members' Privacy

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 (and implementing regulations) is a federal law intended to provide better access to health insurance, limit fraud and abuse, ensure privacy of health care information and reduce administrative costs. Renaissance maintains policies and procedures to ensure compliance with HIPAA and associated regulations by company personnel and participating dentists.

Since electronic transactions are significantly more cost effective than paper, HIPAA includes a major provision (Administrative Simplification) to encourage the use of electronic transactions while safeguarding patient privacy. HIPAA created a standard for electronic transmissions used in the health care industry and established standards governing the privacy/security of health information.

Protected Health Information (PHI) may only be used or disclosed as permitted by law, and only the minimum amount necessary to accomplish tasks.

PHI is individually identifiable health information that is transmitted or maintained in an electronic medium, or by other means including written records and oral communications. Individually identifiable information includes patient name, Social Security number, date of birth, street address, driver's license number, telephone or fax numbers, email address, health plan beneficiary number, or account number.

As a participating dentist in the Renaissance Tennessee TennCare Adult Network, compliance with the following PHI confidentiality requirements is mandatory, including: (1) abiding by all applicable federal and state laws regarding confidentiality and disclosure of medical/dental records or other health and enrollment information, (2) ensuring that medical/dental information is released only in accordance with such federal or state laws and regulations, or pursuant to court orders or subpoenas, (3) maintaining patient records and information in an accurate and timely manner, (4) ensuring timely access by members to records and information that pertain to the patient and (5) safeguarding the privacy of any information that identifies a particular member, including implementation of written procedures that specify: (a) for what purposes a members information will be used within the practice and, (b) to whom and for what purposes it will disclose the information outside the practice.

- Renaissance maintains a notice of privacy practices for members that indicates the ways Renaissance may use and disclose members' PHI, individual member rights regarding PHI and Renaissance's legal responsibilities regarding PHI. The notice also contains information about the process maintained by Renaissance with respect to individuals' right to express written concerns with the company's privacy policies and procedures. The notice is distributed as required and is updated as information changes. Renaissance's notice of privacy practices can be accessed at: tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com

This information is for instructional purposes only and does not constitute legal advice. Please contact legal

counsel for advice with respect to the interpretation of HIPAA and its applicability to the dental practice.

Follow the links below for more information on each subject:

- HIPAA: [HIPAA for Professionals | HHS.gov](#)
- Administrative Simplification: [HIPAA, Administrative Simplification, and ACA FAQs | Guidance Portal](#)
- [TennCare's Office for Civil Rights Compliance](#)

Section 8

Medical Necessity

To be medically necessary, a service must satisfy each of the following criteria: (a) It must be recommended by a licensed healthcare provider practicing within the scope of his or her license who is treating the enrollee; (b) It must be required in order to diagnose or treat an enrollee's condition; (c) It must be safe and effective; (d) It must not be experimental or investigational; and (e) It must be the least costly alternative course of diagnosis or treatment that is adequate for the enrollee's medical condition. Additionally, "Medical Necessity" is defined by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-144: [Medical Necessity](#) and shall describe a medical item or service that meets the criteria set forth in that statute.

Section 9

General Clinical Criteria

- i. Providers must use the most current and appropriate ADA Code(s) on Dental Procedures and Nomenclature (CDT) when submitting requests for prior- authorization or retro-authorization.
- ii. Failure to submit required documentation in requests for authorization may result in a denied request and denied payment of a claim related to that request.
- iii. Renaissance may require a second opinion or prior authorization for requests of more than 4 stainless steel crowns per patient.
- iv. If a participating provider is an outlier regarding overutilization of a certain procedure that does not require prior authorization like stainless steel crowns, Renaissance may at its discretion impose prior authorization of the said procedure for the individual provider.
- v. Reimbursement for procedures includes local anesthesia in fee.
- vi. Radiographs must be labeled with patient name, DOB, and proper left/right orientation.
- vii. In cases where the dental procedure does not meet Renaissance’s treatment standards, Renaissance can require the procedure to be redone at no additional cost. Any reimbursement already made for an inadequate service may be recouped after Renaissance reviews the circumstances.
- viii. All dental materials used for treatment of TennCare members should meet current ADA guidance and federal regulations.
- ix. Extensive treatment plans including endodontics, implants, prosthodontics, or multiple crowns (including prefabricated stainless-steel crowns) may require a second opinion as determined by Renaissance.
- x. Please note, the following clinical criteria are applicable to all adult members including ECF and 1915c.

If acceptable radiographs are available from another source, dentists should use those images rather than exposing a patient to more radiation, but only if those radiographs are current and representative of the current oral conditions. When such images are not available, dentists should obtain the appropriate initial and recall radiographs required for the diagnosis and treatment of a member in accordance with the current version of “Guidelines for Prescribing Dental Radiographs” published by the ADA and the FDA.

Please see the link below:

<https://www.ada.org/resources/practice/practice-management/radiographic-imaging>

Section 10

Clinical Criteria and Covered Services Tables

Procedures Covered by TennCare Adult, ECF Choices, and 1915(c) TennCare Administered by Renaissance

This section provides a list of dental procedures covered by the TennCare Adult, ECF Choices, and 1915(c) TennCare dental plans administered by Renaissance. If a procedure is not on this list, it is not a standard covered benefit under the program. Standard benefit limitations under the program are listed where applicable in the “Benefit Limitations” column. The “Routine Review/Prior Authorization Required” column identifies whether a procedure is routinely reviewed, also known as post-service, pre-payment review (PPR) or prior authorized. Definitions for both pre-payment review and prior authorization can be found in the glossary, with additional detail below. If documentation must be submitted for a routinely reviewed procedure, it is listed in the “Documentation Required” column. If prior authorization (PA) is required to support medical necessity, appropriateness of care, and subsequent payment, it will be indicated as such with a “PA” in the “Prior Authorization/Routine Review Required” column along with the documentation required.

Binding prior authorization involves the advanced approval of specific dental procedures, services, or dental appliances through the application of medical necessity and appropriateness of care parameters defined in specific evidence-based clinical criteria. As opposed to basic pre-treatment estimates, which explain if a service is covered by a dental plan, and what typical plan payments would be for the service in question, several procedures require prior authorization review and approval before services may be rendered and paid for. Renaissance is not able to pay claims for services in which prior authorization is required, but not obtained, by the provider.

For services noted as post-service, pre-payment review, the provider must submit the applicable documentation before the claim can be paid. Pre-payment review allows the provider to render the appropriate services to members without the requirement for prior authorization. Claims requiring pre-payment review are reviewed after the service is rendered, ensuring the service delivered was medically necessary, within the standards of evidence-based practice guidelines, and of acceptable quality.

Diagnostic Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria:

- Diagnostic services include the oral examinations and radiographs needed to assess oral health, diagnose oral pathology, and develop an adequate treatment plan for the member's oral health. Comprehensive and periodic evaluations, include, but are not limited to, evaluations of all hard and soft tissue of the oral cavity; periodontal charting; recording of dental caries, missing or unerupted teeth, restorations, occlusal relationships; and typically, temporomandibular joint and oral cancer screenings. The collection and recording of some data and components of the dental examination may be delegated; however, the evaluation, which includes diagnosis and treatment planning, is the responsibility of the dentist.

Qualifying Criteria:

- Diagnostic services such as radiographic images are necessary for clinical reasons, aiding in treatment planning and delivery of comprehensive care. Radiographic images are adjunctive to diagnostic services and should be prescribed in accordance with the guidelines of the Food and Drug Administration in conjunction with the American Dental Association (ADA). Current guidance from the ADA can be found at: [X-Rays/Radiographs | American Dental Association](#).
- All radiographs must be of diagnostic quality, properly mounted and labeled with proper left/right orientation, dated, and identified with the member's name.
- Radiographs not diagnostic in quality will not be reimbursed for, or if already paid for, Renaissance will recoup the funds previously paid.

Reimbursement Criteria:

- Multiple oral evaluations (D0120, D0140, D0150, etc.) by the same provider or provider group on the same date of service are not payable.
- Reimbursement for some or multiple radiographs of the same tooth or area may be denied if Renaissance determines the number to be redundant, excessive, or not in keeping with the federal guidelines relating to radiation exposure.
- The maximum amount paid for individual radiographs taken within 30 days will be limited to the allowance for a full-mouth series.
- Reimbursement for radiographs is limited to when required for proper treatment and/or diagnosis.
- Reimbursement for bitewing and intraoral-periapical radiographs is not covered for the same date of service as a full-mouth comprehensive series of radiograph images. The complete series is inclusive of bitewing and intraoral-periapical radiographs.
- Periapical radiographs submitted without a tooth number may be denied.
- Charges for duplication (copying) of radiographic images for insurance purposes are disallowed.
- Radiographic images used intraoperatively or considered a component of the primary procedure are not payable.
- Any reimbursement already made for an inadequate service may be recouped after the Renaissance consultant reviews the circumstances.

****Charges for diagnostic services that do not meet acceptable standards of care regarding diagnostic quality or are not recommended in accordance with the AAPD periodicity schedule, or are not in alignment with the American Dental Association’s principles on the safe use of radiographs in dentistry and recommendations for prescribing dental radiographs, are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist.**

Click here to learn more about diagnostic clinical guidance and criteria: [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#).

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Diagnostic D1000–D1999(ADULT)				
D0120 periodic oral evaluation - established patient	One of (D0120, D0150, D0160) per 6 months		No	No
D0140 limited oral evaluation - problem focused	Two of (D0140) per 12 months per provider or location. Not reimbursable on the same day as D0120, D0150, or D0160. Not used in conjunction with routine dental services. Not intended for follow up care.		No	No
D0150 comprehensive oral evaluation - new or established patient	One of (D0150) per 1 lifetime per provider or location. One of (D0120, D0150, D0160) per 6 months per provider or location. Cannot be billed within the 6-month period by provider of the same specialty. Cannot be billed on the same day as D0140, by the same provider.		No	No

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Diagnostic D1000–D1999(ADULT)				
D0160 detailed and extensive oral evaluation – problem focused, by report - new or established patient	One of (D0120, D0150, D0160) per 6 months		No	No
D0210 intraoral - complete series of radiographic images	One of (D0210, D0330, D0367) per 36 months		No	No
D0220 intraoral - periapical first radiographic image	One of (D0220) per date of service.		No	No
D0230 intraoral - periapical each additional radiographic image	Seven of (D0230) per 12 months		No	No
D0270 bitewing - single radiographic image	One of (D0270, D0272, D0273, or D0274) per 12 month(s).		No	No
D0272 bitewings - two radiographic images	One of (D0270, D0272, D0273, or D0274) per 12 months(s).		No	No

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Diagnostic D1000–D1999(ADULT)				
D0273 bitewings - three radiographic images	One of (D0270, D0272, D0273, or D0274) per 12 months(s).		No	No
D0274 bitewings - four radiographic images	One of (D0270, D0272, D0273, or D0274) per 12 month(s).		No	No
D0330 panoramic radiographic image	One of (D0210, D0330, D0367) per 36 month(s).		No	No
D0367 cone beam CT capture and interpretation with field of view of both jaws, with or without cranium	One of (D0210, D0330, D0367) per 36 month(s).		PPR	Narrative of medical necessity documenting why traditional radiographic methods were not able to be used or did not meet the diagnostic need.

Preventive Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria:

- Diagnostic radiographs and narrative to support medical necessity determination (for space maintainers) are required.
- Caries risk assessment and/or documentation of caries for use of fluoride treatments and silver diamine fluoride application.

Qualifying Criteria:

- Fluoride varnish
 - Dentist has established a credible caries risk assessment that requires the need for fluoride varnish treatment, including but not limited to the following indications:
 - For moderate to high caries risk members with a medical or cognitive impairment that limits cooperation with a tray or rinse delivery method
 - Xerostomia
 - For members in inactive orthodontic treatment
 - For members receiving head and neck radiation therapy
 - Clinical situations that may not meet criteria and/or pose a risk to the patient include the following contraindications:
 - Individuals with a low caries risk who consume optimally fluoridated water or who receive routine fluoride treatments through a dental office
 - Should not be used if there are noticeable sores in the mouth or on the gums
 - Should not be used if there is an allergy to one of the ingredients or to pine nuts
 - Bronchial asthma
- Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF)
 - Dentist has established a credible caries risk assessment and diagnosis of caries that require the need for silver diamine fluoride treatment, with the following indications:
 - As conservative treatment for active, non-symptomatic carious lesions
 - Operating Room (OR) diversion as an alternative to placing young children under general anesthesia in a medical facility
 - Treat dental hypersensitivity
 - Stabilize uncontrolled caries for members at high risk of experiencing new lesions
 - Treat vulnerable tooth structure
 - Caries that are difficult or impossible to treat with traditional restorations
 - Instances when standard restorative treatment is difficult to perform
 - Treat members with limited or no access to restorative dental care
 - Treat members with limited life expectancy
 - Clinical situations that may not meet criteria and/or pose a risk to the patient include the following contraindications:
 - An allergy to silver
 - Mucosal irritation, including oral ulcerations, desquamative gingivitis, or mucositis
 - Carious lesions that have symptoms of irreversible pulpitis
 - Pregnant women

- During the first six months of breast feeding

Reimbursement Criteria:

- The following list(s) of procedure and/or diagnosis codes is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all-inclusive. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment unless the procedure is medically necessary for proper treatment of the member, applicable clinical criteria (indications and contraindications) are met, and all supporting documentation is submitted. Any reimbursement already made for an inadequate service may be recouped after the Renaissance consultant reviews the circumstances.

***Charges for preventive therapy with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist.*

Click here to learn more about preventive clinical guidance and criteria.: [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#).

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Preventive D1000–D1999(ADULT)				
D1110 prophylaxis – adult	One of (D1110, D4910) per 6 months. Includes scaling and polishing procedures to remove coronal plaque, calculus, and stains.		No	No
D1206 topical application of fluoride varnish	One of (D1206, D1208) per 6 months.		No	No
D1208 topical application of fluoride - excluding varnish	One of (D1206, D1208) per 6 months.		No	No
D1354 interim caries arresting medicament application - per tooth	Four of (D1354 or D2991) per 1 Lifetime per tooth. Limit of 6 teeth per date of service. Only 2 of the 4 per tooth applications can be done within 6 weeks of each other. Not allowed if had D2000 series code on same tooth In prior 12 months. D2000 series code on same tooth Not allowed for 4 weeks after D1354.	Teeth: 1 – 32, A - T	No	No

Restorative Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Current pre-operative radiographs of diagnostic quality clearly showing adjacent and opposing teeth: pathology and/or caries must be present.
- Periapicals or bitewings acceptable. Panoramic or other types of radiographs that do not clearly show the tooth to be treated, adjacent and/or opposing teeth, along with pathology and extent of caries present, may not be accepted.
- Establishment of a credible caries risk assessment and diagnosis of caries that require the need for definitive restorative treatment, as applicable under the indications listed below.

Qualifying Criteria

- Direct Restorations
 - Direct restorations include non-esthetic direct restoration materials such as amalgam and esthetic direct restoration materials such as composite resin, glass ionomer cement, resin modified GIC, and compomers.
 - Direct restorations are indicated for the following:
 - Replace tooth structure lost to caries or trauma
 - Replace restorative material lost while accessing pulp chamber for endodontic therapy
 - Replace existing restorations that exhibit recurrent decay, fracture, or marginal defects
 - Glass ionomer restorations may be indicated for the following:
 - When teeth cannot be isolated properly to allow placement of resin restorations
 - As an alternative to resin sealants when the teeth cannot be properly isolated (patient cooperation, partially erupted teeth)
 - Class I, II, III and V restorations on primary teeth
 - Class III and V restorations on permanent teeth that cannot be isolated in high-risk members
 - As a caries control plan for high-risk members using atraumatic techniques
 - Direct restorations are not indicated for the following:
 - Teeth with a hopeless prognosis
 - Incipient enamel only lesions extending less than halfway to the dentinoenamel junction (DEJ)
 - Teeth that are sound as defined by ADA Caries Classification system ([Dental Caries Management Clinical Practice Guidelines | American Dental Association](#))
 - Primary teeth that are near exfoliation or less than 50% of the tooth root remains
- Crowns
 - Criteria for crowns include permanent teeth needing multi-surface restorations or where other types of restorations have a poor clinical outcome.
 - A permanent anterior tooth with loss of tooth structure due to initial caries, recurrent caries, restoration failure, and/or tooth/restoration fracture with structure loss involving four or more surfaces and at least 50% of the incisal edge or cuspal tip, where direct restorations would have a poor prognosis.
 - A permanent premolar tooth with loss of tooth structure due to initial caries, recurrent caries,

restoration failure, and/or tooth/restoration fracture with structure loss involving **three or more surfaces** and **one or more cusps** must be fractured or missing.

- A permanent molar tooth with loss of tooth structure due to initial caries, recurrent caries, restoration failure, and/or tooth/restoration fracture with structure loss involving **four or more surfaces** and **two or more cusps** must be fractured or missing
- A tooth with successful prior endodontic treatment and an endodontic access opening that has removed an extensive amount of tooth structure such that a crown is required to support the remaining tooth structure.
- When replacing a crown, open margin with obvious recurrent decay, fracture, or other structural failure must be documented.
- Crowns are not indicated under the following circumstances:
 - A lesser means of restoration is possible.
 - Tooth has sub-osseous and/or furcation caries.
 - Tooth has advanced periodontal disease.
 - Tooth is a primary tooth, unless permanent tooth is congenitally missing.
 - Crowns are being planned to alter vertical dimension.
 - Tooth has no apparent destruction due to caries or trauma
- Criteria for authorization of crowns after endodontic treatment:
 - Include a dated post-endodontic radiograph.
 - Tooth should be filled sufficiently close to the radiological apex to ensure that an apical seal is achieved, unless there is a curvature or calcification of the canal that limits the dentist's ability to fill the canal to the apex.
 - The filling must be properly condensed/obturated. Filling material does not extend excessively beyond the apex.
 - Crown must be opposed by a tooth or denture or is an abutment for a partial denture.
 - The patient must be free from active periodontal disease.
 - The permanent tooth must be at least 50% supported in bone.
- Core build ups (only covered for 1915(c) Waiver/ECF Choices members)
 - Presence of greater than 50% bone support
 - Absence of sub-osseous decay and/or furcation involvement
 - Absence of adequate tooth structure to support crown
 - Clinically acceptable root canal fill (if applicable)

Reimbursement Criteria

- A dated post-operative radiograph must be kept in the patient's record for completed indirect restorative procedures like crowns.
- Composite and amalgam restorations are reimbursable based upon total number of restored surfaces. For example, non-contiguous restorations, such as a separate Distal Occlusal (DO) and Mesial Occlusal (MO) on the same tooth, are billable as a three-surface restoration. Each claim line for restorative services must relate to only one tooth number. Local anesthesia is included in the fee for all restorative services.
- Any restorations done on the same tooth by the same provider or provider location within a 12-month period may be subject to post review.
- Billing and reimbursement for crowns are based on the seat/cementation date. The fee for crowns

includes the temporary crown that is placed on the prepared tooth and worn while the permanent crown is being fabricated for permanent teeth.

***Charges for restorative services with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist. Post-cementation radiographs must be in the patient's chart and available for review upon request. Absence of radiographic evidence required for confirming the quality of restoration(s) in a patient's chart may result in the recovery of prior payments for the service.*

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Restorative D2000–D2999(ADULT)				
D2140 amalgam - one surface primary or permanent	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 1-32	No	No
D2150 amalgam - two surfaces, primary or permanent	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 1-32	No	No
D2160 amalgam - three surfaces, primary or permanent	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 1-32	No	No
D2161 amalgam - four surfaces, primary or permanent	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 1-32	No	No
D2330 resin-based composite - 1 surface, anterior	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 6-11, 22-27	No	No
D2331 resin-based composite – 2 surfaces, anterior	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 6-11, 22-27	No	No
D2332 resin-based composite - 3 surfaces, anterior	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 6-11, 22-27	No	No

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Restorative D2000–D2999(ADULT)				
D2335 resin-based composite - 4 or more surfaces or involving incisal angle, anterior	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 6-11, 22-27	No	No
D2391 resin-based composite - based composite - 1 surface, posterior	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 1-5, 12-21, 28-32	No	No
D2392 resin-based composite - based composite - 2 surfaces, posterior	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 1-5, 12-21, 28-32	No	No
D2393 resin-based composite - based composite - 3 surfaces, posterior	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 1-5, 12-21, 28-32	No	No
D2394 resin-based composite - 4 or more surfaces, posterior	One of (D2140, D2150, D2160, D2161, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2394) per 36 months per tooth, per surface.	Teeth: 1-5, 12-21, 28-32	No	No
D2721 crown – resin with predominantly base metal	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.	Teeth: 1-32	No	No

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Restorative D2000–D2999(ADULT)				
D2722 crown – resin with noble metal	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.	Teeth: 1 – 32	No	No
D2740 crown - porcelain/cera mic	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)
D2750 crown – porcelain fused high noble metal	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)
D2751 crown - porcelain fused to predominantly base metal	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)
D2752 crown - porcelain fused to noble metal	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)
D2753 crown- porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)

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Restorative D2000–D2999(ADULT)				
D2781 crown - ¾ cast predominantly base metal noble	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)
D2782 crown - ¾ cast noble metal	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)
D2783 crown - ¾ porcelain/ceram ic	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)
D2791 crown - full cast predominantly base metal	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)
D2792 crown - full cast noble metal	One of (D2721, D2722, D2740, D2750, D2751, D2752, D2753, D2781, D2782, D2783, D2791, D2792, D2931) per 60 months, same tooth.		PA	pre-operative radiograph(s)
D2920 re-cement or re- bond crown	Not billable within 6 months of initial placement.	Teeth: 1-32	No	No

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Restorative D2000–D2999(ADULT)				
D2931 prefabricated stainless steel crown permanent tooth	One of (D2721,D2722, D2740, D2750,D2751, D2752, D2753,D2781,D2791,D2992, D2931 per 60 months ,per patient, same tooth	Teeth: 1-32	No	No
D2991 application of hydroxyapatite regeneration medicament – per tooth	Four of (D1354, D2991) per 1 lifetime per tooth. Six of (D1354, D2991) per 1 day per patient. Not allowed if had D2000 series code on same tooth in prior 12 months. (D2000 series code on same tooth not allowed for 4 weeks after D1354 or D2991	Teeth 1 - 32, 51 - 82, A - T, AS - TS	No	No

Endodontic Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria:

- Current pre-operative radiographs of diagnostic quality clearly showing adjacent and opposing teeth: pathology and/or caries must be present
- Periapicals or panorex acceptable. Panoramic or other types of radiographs that do not clearly show the tooth to be treated, adjacent and/or opposing teeth, along with pathology and extent of caries present, may not be accepted.

Qualifying Criteria:

- Dentist has established (and documented) a credible endodontic diagnosis and need for treatment prior to initiating endodontic therapy.
- Tooth must be clinically restorable with good prognosis; endodontic therapy on non-restorable/poor prognosis teeth is not reimbursable.
- A tooth may be deemed non-restorable if one or more of the following clinical issues are present:
 - There is less than 50% bone support.
 - There is extensive loss of coronal structure.
 - There is evidence of furcation caries or lack of bony support.
 - The apex/apices present with extensive loss of bone due to an unresolved endodontic infection.
- Situations that **do not meet criteria** are as follows:
 - Root canal therapy for third molars, unless they are an abutment for a partial denture.
 - Root canal therapy is in anticipation of placement of an overdenture.
 - Filling material not accepted by the Federal Food and Drug Administration.
 - Gross periapical or periodontal disease is demonstrated radiographically (caries sub-crestal or to the furcation, deeming the tooth non-restorable)
- **Complete root canal therapy includes treatment plan, all appointments, temporary fillings, obturation and fill of all canals, all radiographs, and necessary follow-up care.**
- **Reimbursement Criteria:**
 - A dated post-operative radiograph must be submitted showing properly condensed/obtured canal(s), for review for payment. Billing and reimbursement for all root canals are based on the fill date.

***Charges for endodontic therapy with resultant adverse treatment outcomes such as incomplete root canal obturation, access cavity/root perforations, and non-treatment of a patent root canal are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist.*

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Endodontics D3000–D3999(ADULT)				
D3310 endodontic therapy, anterior tooth (excluding final restoration)	One of (D3310) per 1 lifetime per tooth.		PA	pre and post operative radiograph(s)
D3320 endodontic therapy, premolar tooth (excluding final restoration)	One of (D3320) per 1 lifetime per tooth.		PA	pre and post operative radiograph(s)
D3330 endodontic therapy, molar tooth (excluding final restoration)	One of (D3330) per 1 lifetime per tooth.		PA	pre and post - operative radiograph(s)

Periodontic Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Pre-operative radiographs (full-mouth series or bitewings and periapicals)
 - Panoramic radiographs are not diagnostic for a periodontal evaluation
- Letter of medical necessity documenting periodontal diagnosis, as detailed in the Qualifying Criteria below.
- Oral photographic images if applicable
- Periodontal charting performed within 12 months, including six-point probing, furcation, mucogingival relationship, bleeding, case type and oral hygiene status required.

Diagnostic criteria, consistent with professional standards, must demonstrate: (1) clinical loss of periodontal attachment and/or (2) radiographic evidence of crestal bone loss or changes in crestal lamina dura and/or (3) radiographic evidence of root surface calculus.

Qualifying Criteria

- Scaling and Root Planing
 - Therapeutic procedures for members who require scaling and root planing due to bone loss and subsequent loss of attachment. Instrumentation of the exposed root surface to remove deposits is an integral part of this procedure. Indicated for any of the following:
 - Localized or generalized mild or moderate chronic Periodontal Disease - Periodontal probing depths 4 mm up to 6 mm with clinical attachment loss of up to 4 mm; radiographic evidence of bone loss and tooth mobility may be present. In molars, furcation involvement should not exceed Class 1.
 - Localized or generalized severe chronic Periodontal Disease - Periodontal probing depths greater than 6 mm with attachment loss greater than 4 mm; radiographic evidence of bone loss and tooth mobility are present.
 - Refractory or recurrent Periodontal Disease
 - Periodontal abscess
 - Scaling and Root Planing is not indicated for the following:
 - For the removal of heavy deposits of calculus and plaque in the absence of clinical attachment loss
 - Gingivitis as defined by inflammation of the gingival tissue without loss of attachment (bone and tissue)
 - As a sole treatment for refractory chronic, aggressive, or advanced Periodontal Diseases
 - CDT D4341:
 - Four (4) or more teeth in the quadrant are affected
 - Abnormal pocket depths in several sites
 - Radiographic evidence of root surface calculus or radiographic evidence of significant loss of bone support
 - CDT D4342:
 - 1-3 teeth in quadrant are affected
 - Abnormal pocket depths in several sites
 - Radiographic evidence of root surface calculus or radiographic evidence of significant

loss of bone support

- Periodontal Maintenance
 - Periodontal maintenance is indicated for the following:
 - To maintain the results of surgical and non-surgical periodontal treatment
 - As an extension of active periodontal therapy at selected intervals
 - Periodontal maintenance is not indicated for the following:
 - No history of Scaling and Root Planing or surgical procedures
 - Gingivitis

Reimbursement Criteria

- No payment is made for scaling and root planing performed in conjunction with gingivectomy, gingivoplasty, or periodontal surgery, regardless of coverage type.
- Periodontal Maintenance is not covered if performed in conjunction with prophylaxis or within 30 days of scaling and root planing.
- Periodontal Maintenance is not covered if no scaling or root planing was performed within the previous 24 months.

***Charges for periodontic therapy with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist. A treatment plan with a poor and/or uncertain periodontal, restorative, or endodontic outcome may be denied due to the unfavorable prognosis of the involved tooth/teeth. Special consideration/exception may be made by submission of a narrative report.*

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Periodontics D4000–D4999(ADULT)				
D4341 periodontal scaling and root planing - four or more teeth, per quadrant	One of (D4341, D4342) per 24 months per quadrant.	Per quadrant (10, 20, 30, 40, LL, LR, UL, UR)	PA	Periodontal charting, pre- operative radiographs, and periodontal diagnosis and/or narrative of medical necessity with claim.
D4342 periodontal scaling and root planing - one to three teeth per quadrant	One of (D4341, D4342) per 24 months per quadrant.	1-32	PA	
D4355 full mouth debridement to enable a comprehensive oral evaluation and diagnosis on a subsequent visit	One of (D4355) per 1 lifetime. Not allowed within 12 months following D1110, D4341, or 4342. Not billable on same day as exam, or within 12 months of D0120 or D0150.		No	Note: No documents required, but photographs showing at least 50% of the dentition with large amounts of calculus present must be in the patient records.
D4910 periodontal maintenance	One of (D1110, D4910) per 6 month(s).		No	No

Removable Prosthodontic Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Panoramic radiograph series (even if edentulous) or full-mouth radiograph series
- Narrative/Treatment plan must include teeth to be extracted, and for partials include teeth to be replaced by partial
- Photographs, if necessary to support diagnosis and medical necessity
- For flexible partials; requires the submission of documented medical testing for allergic reactions to other denture materials.

Qualifying Criteria

- Removable Complete or Partial Dentures are indicated for:
 - Replacement of missing teeth lost due to disease, trauma, or injury.
 - Severely impaired masticatory function due to loss of teeth
 - Missing at least one anterior tooth
 - Replacement of a minimum of 3 to 4 permanent, posterior teeth based on one of the following conditions:
 - **A total of 4 posterior teeth in the arch or**
 - **A total of 3 adjacent posterior teeth in the arch**
 - Adequate and sufficient alveolar bone support of the remaining teeth in the arch is demonstrated; a minimum of 50% bone support is required.
 - Recipients with good periodontal health (AAP Type I or II), and a favorable prognosis where continuous deterioration is not expected.
 - Recipients with no untreated caries or active periodontal disease in the abutment teeth

**If there is a pre-existing prosthesis, it must be at least 5 years old and unserviceable to qualify for replacement.*

**A new prosthesis will not be reimbursed within 24 months of a reline or repair of the existing prosthesis*

- Removable Complete and Partial Dentures are not indicated for the following:
 - For members with chronic poor oral hygiene and unsuitable abutment teeth
 - When there has been extensive bone atrophy resulting in an inadequate edentulous ridge
 - Poor neuro-muscular control
 - Unresolved soft tissue concerns (e.g., lack of vestibular depth, hypertrophy, hyperplasia, stomatitis)
 - If there is an existing prosthesis less than 5 years old and in serviceable condition
 - If the recipient cannot accommodate and properly maintain the prosthesis (lodge, gag reflex, potential for swallowing the prosthesis, severe disability).
 - If the recipient has a history or an inability to wear a prosthesis due to psychological or anatomical reasons.
 - If a partial denture, less than 5 years old, is converted to a temporary or permanent complete denture.
- Complete and Partial Denture Rebase and Reline Procedures
 - Denture Rebasing is indicated for the following:

- When changes to the residual ridge result in loss of denture stability, retention, or occlusal disharmony
- When replacing or rearranging teeth on a partial denture
- When the base has fractured or cracked
- Denture Rebasing is not indicated for the following:
 - When the prosthesis is broken or worn to the extent that replacement is warranted
 - When the occlusion or structural integrity of the denture teeth are no longer functional
 - When a Reline is sufficient
- Denture Relining is indicated for the following:
 - When changes to the residual ridge result in loss of denture stability, retention, or occlusal disharmony
- Denture Rebasing AND Relining are not indicated for the following:
 - When the prosthesis is broken or worn to the extent that it is no longer functional and replacing the appliance is warranted
 - Unresolved soft tissue hyperplasia or stomatitis
- Repairs:
 - 6 months post-delivery for complete and partial dentures:
 - 2 repairs per denture per year
 - Relines will be reimbursed one per denture every 6 months.

Adjustments will be reimbursed one per denture per year.

Reimbursement Criteria

- Payment for a denture or denture service includes all necessary follow-up corrections and adjustments for a period of six months.
- Providers will be reimbursed for complete dentures and partial dentures on delivery date of the appliance (also known as “seat date”).

Claims for Immediate Denture must show extractions on the same date of service. Before rendering any patient edentulous the Dentist or Oral Surgeon must ensure that dentures have been authorized. **As part of any removable prosthetic service, dentists are expected to provide proper patient instruction on care of the prosthesis.**

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Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ADULT)				
D5110 complete denture - maxillary	One of (D5110, D5130) per 60 month(s) per patient.		PA	Initial dentures: Full mouth pre- operative radiographs or panorex with claim. Subsequent dentures (when edentulous): date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.
D5120 complete denture - mandibular	One of (D5120, D5140) per 60 month(s).		PA	Initial dentures: Full mouth radiographs or panorex with claim. Subsequent dentures (when edentulous): date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.
D5130 immediate denture - maxillary	One of (D5110, D5130) per 60 month(s)		PA	Pre-operative radiograph(s)

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Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ADULT)				
D5140 immediate denture - mandibular	One of (D5120, D5140) per 60 month(s)		PA	Pre-operative radiograph(s)
D5211 maxillary partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasp ing materials, rests, and teeth)	One of (D5211, D5213 or D5282) per 60 months		PA	Full mouth pre- operative radiographs or panorex. Subsequent partial dentures: date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.
D5212 mandibular partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasp ing materials, rests, and teeth)	One of (D5212, D5214, or D5283) per 60 months		PA	Full mouth pre- operative radiographs or panorex. Subsequent partial dentures: date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.

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Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ADULT)				
D5213 maxillary partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)	One of (D5211, D5213 or D5282) per 60 months		PA	Full mouth pre- operative radiographs or panorex. Subsequent partial dentures: date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.
D5214 mandibular partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)	One of (D5212, D5214, or D5283) per 60 months		PA	Full mouth pre- operative radiographs or panorex. Subsequent partial dentures: date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.
D5282 removable unilateral partial denture one piece cast metal (including clasps and teeth) – maxillary	One of (D5211, D5213, or D5282) per 60 months		PA	Full mouth pre- operative radiographs or panorex. Subsequent partial dentures: date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.

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Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ADULT)				
D5283 removable unilateral partial denture one piece cast metal (including clasps and teeth) – mandibular	One of (D5212, D5214, or D5283) per 60 months		PA	Full mouth pre- operative radiographs or panorex. Subsequent partial dentures: date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.
D5284 removable unilateral partial denture one piece flexible base (including clasps and teeth) - per quadrant	One of (D5284 or D5286) per lifetime		PA	Full mouth pre- operative radiographs or panorex. Subsequent partial dentures: date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.
D5286 removable unilateral partial denture – one piece resin (including clasps and teeth) – per quadrant	One of (D5284 or D5286) per lifetime		PA	Full mouth pre- operative radiographs or panorex. Subsequent partial dentures: date of prior placement and narrative of medical necessity. Existing prosthesis must be at least 5 years old to replace.

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Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ADULT)				
D5611 repair resin partial denture base, mandibular	Not allowed within 6 months of delivery		No	No
D5612 repair resin partial denture base, maxillary	Not allowed within 6 months of delivery		No	No
D5621 repair cast partial framework, mandibular	Not allowed within 6 months of delivery		No	No
D5622 repair cast partial framework, maxillary	Not allowed within 6 months of delivery		No	No
D5630 repair or replace broken retentive/clasping materials - per tooth	Not allowed within 6 months of delivery		No	No
D5640 replace missing/broken teeth (per tooth) - partial	Not allowed within 6 months of delivery		No	No
D5650 add tooth to existing partial denture	Not allowed within 6 months of delivery		No	No
D5660 add clasp to existing partial denture	Not allowed within 6 months of delivery		No	No

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ADULT)				
D5730 reline complete maxillary denture (chairside)	One of (D5730, D5750) per 36 months. Not covered within 6 months of delivery.		No	No
D5731 reline complete mandibular denture (chairside)	One of (D5731, D5751) per 36 months. Not covered within 6 months of delivery.		No	No
D5750 reline complete maxillary denture (laboratory)	One of (D5730, D5750) per 36 months. Not covered within 6 months of delivery.		No	No
D5751 reline complete mandibular denture (laboratory)	One of (D5731, D5751) per 36 months. Not covered within 6 months of delivery.		No	No

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Appropriate diagnostic pre-operative radiographs clearly showing the adjacent and opposing teeth and substantiating any pathology or caries present are required. Bitewings, periapicals, or panorex are acceptable.
 - Radiographic documentation must demonstrate the definitions of complete bony, partial bony, and soft tissue impaction if billed.
- Narrative of medical necessity is required for authorization of alveoloplasty.

Qualifying Criteria

- Extractions
 - A tooth may be removed only if it cannot be saved because it is broken down, poorly supported by the alveolar bone, and/or affected by a pathological condition.
 - Note - Extractions that render a patient edentulous must be deferred until authorization to construct a denture has been given, except in an absolute emergency. Documentation must be provided to support the absolute emergency removal of teeth.
 - Non-surgical extractions:
 - No prior authorization is required
 - Removal of erupted tooth or exposed root (elevation and/or forceps removal)
 - Includes removal of tooth structure, minor smoothing of socket bone, and closure, as necessary
 - Surgical Extraction:
 - Surgical removal of tooth requires removal of bone and/or sectioning of tooth, and includes elevation of mucoperiosteal flap if indicated
 - Surgical removal of soft tissue impaction will not require removal of bone, but will require elevation of mucoperiosteal flap

Although extraction of unerupted third molars is a covered benefit for members in the ECF CHOICES and 1915(c) Waiver programs, it is not a covered benefit in TennCare's Adult Dental Program unless it is a soft tissue impaction or residual tooth roots to be surgically removed. Please see page 98 for prior authorization requirements for removal of unerupted 3rd molars for ECF CHOICES and 1915(c) Waiver program members.

- Alveoloplasty in conjunction with extractions
 - D7310 - 4 or more teeth or tooth spaces per quadrant
 - D7311 – 1-3 teeth or tooth spaces per quadrant
- Alveoloplasty not in conjunction with extractions
 - D7320 – 4 or more teeth or tooth spaces per quadrant
 - D7321 – 1-3 teeth or tooth spaces per quadrant
 - Narrative supporting necessity for prosthetic placement

Alveoloplasty will not be authorized following surgical extractions.

Reimbursement Criteria

- Failure to submit the required documentation may result in a denied request and denied payment of a claim related to that request.
- Extraction includes local anesthesia, suturing if needed, and routine post-operative care.
- Patient informed consent must be obtained for all extractions.
- If the crown of the tooth has been fractured or destroyed by caries, and the removal of the root is performed, the appropriate ADA code should be used (i.e. D7140 - extraction, erupted tooth, or exposed root; or D7210 surgical extraction of retained root per indications). D7250 is not reimbursable to dentist or dental group that performed initial extraction, within 90 days of initial extraction.

***Charges for oral and maxillofacial surgery services with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist.*

Click here to learn more about oral and maxillofacial surgery clinical guidance and criteria:: [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#).

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery D7000–D7999(ADULT)				
D7140 extraction - erupted or exposed root (elevation and/or forceps removal)		Teeth: 1-32, 51-82, A-T, AS-TS	No	No
D7210 surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring removal of bone and/or sectioning of tooth, and including elevation of mucoperiosteal flap if indicated			No	No
D7220 removal of impacted tooth - soft tissue	Prophylactic removal of asymptomatic tooth or tooth free from pathology is not a covered benefit.		PA	Pre-operative radiograph(s)
D7250 surgical removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure)	Will not be paid to the dentist or group that removed the tooth. Removal of asymptomatic teeth not covered.		PA	Pre-operative radiograph(s)
D7284 excisional biopsy of minor salivary glands	Not billable to patient when done by same provider on same date of service as surgical procedures.		No	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery D7000–D7999(ADULT)				
D7310 alveoplasty in conjunction with extractions - four or more teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant	One of (D7310, D7311) per 1 lifetime, same quadrant.	Per quadrant (10, 20, 30, 40, LL, LR, UL, UR)	No	
D7311 alveoplasty in conjunction with extractions - one to three teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant	One of (D7310, D7311) per 1 lifetime, same quadrant.	1-32	No	
D7320 alveoplasty not in conjunction with extractions - four or more teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant	One of (D7320, D7321) per 1 lifetime, same quadrant.	Per quadrant (10, 20, 30, 40, LL, LR, UL, UR)	PA	Statement of medical necessity, pre- operative panoramic radiograph or other images of quadrant
D7321 alveoplasty not in conjunction with extractions - one to three teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant	One of (D7320, D7321) per 1 lifetime, same quadrant.	1-32	PA	Statement of medical necessity, pre- operative panoramic radiograph or other images of quadrant
D7471 removal of exostosis - per site	One of (D7471, D7472,D7473,D7485) per 1 lifetime		PA	Narrative of medical necessity, pre-op radiographs

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery D7000–D7999(ADULT)				
D7472 removal of torus palatinus	One of (D7471, D7472, D7473, D7485) per 1 lifetime.		PA	narrative of medical necessity
D7473 removal of torus mandibularis	One of (D7471, D7472, D7473, D7485) per 1 lifetime		PA	narrative of medical necessity
D7485 surgical reduction of osseous tuberosity	One of (D7471, D7472, D7473, D7485) per 1 lifetime		PA	narrative of medical necessity

Adjunct General Services Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria (for nitrous oxide use)

- Clinical narratives and recent (6 months or less) radiographic documentation for the dental procedures to be performed (photographs and/or appropriate charting, if warranted).
- Associated patient treatment record entries, including a definitive diagnosis and detailed treatment plan (including any entries related to failed attempts at local anesthesia and/or other behavioral management efforts.)
- Referring dentist reports, if applicable

Qualifying Criteria

- Nitrous oxide (anxiolysis)
 - Nitrous oxide may be indicated for the following:
 - Ineffective local anesthesia
 - Anticipatory or situational anxiety
 - Individuals with special needs
 - Extensive and/or complex services
 - Behaviorally challenged or uncooperative individuals
 - Management of a severe gag reflex
 - Nitrous oxide is contraindicated for, but not limited to, the following situations:
 - Nasal obstruction
 - Severe underlying medical conditions
 - Upper respiratory tract infections or other acute respiratory conditions
 - Severe emotional disturbances or severe behavioral disorders
 - Chemical dependencies
 - Claustrophobia
 - Pregnancy – not recommended electively, especially in the first trimester

Reimbursement Criteria

- Failure to submit the required documentation may result in a denied request and denied payment of a claim related to that request.
- Nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia is only payable to providers who possess a personal permit for its administration from the applicable State Board of Dentistry and administer it in a State Board approved facility if permit required.
- Nitrous oxide will not be considered strictly for member or dentist convenience. Nitrous oxide is not reimbursable when used in conjunction with sedation or general anesthesia service codes, regardless of whether it is covered by the benefit plan.

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Click here to learn more about adjunct general services clinical guidance and criteria: [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#).

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Adjunctive General Services D9000–D9999(ADULT)				
D9110 palliative (emergency) treatment of dental pain – minor procedure	One of (D9110) per day(s) per provider or location.		No	
D9230 inhalation of nitrous oxide/analgesia, anxiolysis	One (1) per date of service. Narrative of medical necessity kept in patient record.		No	

IDD Programs 1915(c) Waiver & Employment and Community First CHOICES (ECF CHOICES)

The primary objective of the TennCare Employment and Community First CHOICES (ECF CHOICES) and the 1915(c) Home and Community Based Services Waivers for Individuals with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities (IDD) Dental programs is to create an extensive dental care system offering covered services that are medically necessary to eligible Tennessee residents. Members of these programs are also covered under the TennCare Adult benefit. The IDD programs offer **supplemental coverage** for services not covered under the TennCare Adult benefit. We emphasize early intervention and promote access to necessary dental care, thereby improving health outcomes for Tennessee residents.

We communicate with members to stress that preventive care is one of the best ways to achieve good oral and overall health. We emphasize this message with members and their parents/guardians.

Members are provided with information about available services and access to the services through the following:

- Provider directory
- Welcome packets
- Member Handbook

Required Documentation for all waiver benefits:

Provide a descriptive narrative indicating medical necessity for procedures within the waiver benefit.

Other supporting information for medical necessity may be included, if available, such as a diagnoses, caries risk, available intraoral images and/or radiographs, periodontal diagnosis and charting and phased comprehensive treatment.

Diagnostic Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria:

- Diagnostic services include the oral examinations and radiographs needed to assess oral health, diagnose oral pathology, and develop an adequate treatment plan for the member's oral health. Comprehensive and periodic evaluations, include, but are not limited to, evaluations of all hard and soft tissue of the oral cavity; periodontal charting; recording of dental caries, missing or unerupted teeth, restorations, occlusal relationships; and typically, temporomandibular joint and oral cancer screenings. The collection and recording of some data and components of the dental examination may be delegated; however, the evaluation, which includes diagnosis and treatment planning, is the responsibility of the dentist.

Qualifying Criteria:

- Diagnostic services such as radiographic images are necessary for clinical reasons, aiding in treatment planning and delivery of comprehensive care. Radiographic images are adjunctive to diagnostic services and should be prescribed in accordance with the guidelines of the Food and Drug Administration in conjunction with the American Dental Association (ADA). Current guidance from the ADA can be found at: [X-Rays/Radiographs | American Dental Association](#).
- All radiographs must be of diagnostic quality, properly mounted and labeled with proper left/right orientation, dated, and identified with the member's name.
- Radiographs not diagnostic in quality will not be reimbursed for, or if already paid for, Renaissance will recoup the funds previously paid.

Reimbursement Criteria:

- Multiple oral evaluations (D0120, D0140, D0150, etc.) by the same provider or provider group on the same date of service are not payable.
- Reimbursement for some or multiple radiographs of the same tooth or area may be denied if Renaissance determines the number to be redundant, excessive, or not in keeping with the federal guidelines relating to radiation exposure.
- The maximum amount paid for individual radiographs taken within 30 days will be limited to the allowance for a full-mouth series.
- Reimbursement for radiographs is limited to when required for proper treatment and/or diagnosis.
- Reimbursement for bitewing and intraoral-periapical radiographs is not covered for the same date of service as a full-mouth comprehensive series of radiograph images. The complete series is inclusive of bitewing and intraoral-periapical radiographs.
- Periapical radiographs submitted without a tooth number may be denied.
- Charges for duplication (copying) of radiographic images for insurance purposes are disallowed.
- Radiographic images used intraoperatively or considered a component of the primary procedure are not payable.
- Any reimbursement already made for an inadequate service may be recouped after the Renaissance consultant reviews the circumstances.

***Charges for diagnostic services that do not meet acceptable standards of care regarding diagnostic quality*

or are not recommended in accordance with the AAPD periodicity schedule or are not in alignment with the American Dental Association’s principles on the safe use of radiographs in dentistry and recommendations for prescribing dental radiographs, are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist.

Click here to learn more about diagnostic clinical guidance and criteria: [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#).

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Diagnostic D0100–D0999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D0170 re-evaluation, limited problem focused			PA	
D0240 intraoral - occlusal radiographic image			PA	
D0250 extra-oral – 2D projection radiographic image created using a stationary radiation source, and detector			PA	
D0251 extra-oral posterior dental radiographic image			PA	
D0277 vertical bitewings - 7 to 8 films			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Diagnostic D0100–D0999 (ECF Choices/1915C)				
D0322 tomographic survey			PA	
D0340 cephalometric radiographic image			PA	
D0372 intraoral tomosynthesis - comprehensive series of radiographic images			PA	
D0373 intraoral tomosynthesis – bitewing radiographic image			PA	
D0374 intraoral tomosynthesis – periapical radiographic image			PA	
D0460 pulp vitality tests			PA	
D0470 diagnostic casts			PA	

Preventive Clinical Criteria

***Preventive Clinical Services are covered under the Adult Dental Benefit. Please refer to page 35-36 for more information on covered services for this area of clinical practice.*

Restorative Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Current pre-operative radiographs of diagnostic quality clearly showing adjacent and opposing teeth: pathology and/or caries must be present.
- Periapicals or bitewings acceptable. Panoramic or other types of radiographs that do not clearly show the tooth to be treated, adjacent and/or opposing teeth, along with pathology and extent of caries present, may not be accepted.
- Establishment of a credible caries risk assessment and diagnosis of caries that require the need for definitive restorative treatment, as applicable under the indications listed below.

Qualifying Criteria

- Direct Restorations
 - Direct restorations include non-esthetic direct restoration materials such as amalgam and esthetic direct restoration materials such as composite resin, glass ionomer cement, resin modified GIC, and compomers.
 - Direct restorations are indicated for the following:
 - Replace tooth structure lost to caries or trauma
 - Replace restorative material lost while accessing pulp chamber for endodontic therapy
 - Replace existing restorations that exhibit recurrent decay, fracture, or marginal defects
 - Glass ionomer restorations may be indicated for the following:
 - When teeth cannot be isolated properly to allow placement of resin restorations
 - As an alternative to resin sealants when the teeth cannot be properly isolated (patient cooperation, partially erupted teeth)
 - Class I, II, III and V restorations on primary teeth
 - Class III and V restorations on permanent teeth that cannot be isolated in high-risk members
 - As a caries control plan for high-risk members using atraumatic techniques
 - Direct restorations are not indicated for the following:
 - Teeth with a hopeless prognosis
 - Incipient enamel only lesions extending less than halfway to the dentinoenamel junction (DEJ)
 - Teeth that are sound as defined by ADA Caries Classification system ([Dental Caries Management Clinical Practice Guidelines | American Dental Association](#))
 - Primary teeth that are near exfoliation or less than 50% of the tooth root remains
- Crowns
 - Criteria for crowns include permanent teeth needing multi-surface restorations or where other types of restorations have a poor clinical outcome.
 - A permanent anterior tooth with loss of tooth structure due to initial caries, recurrent caries, restoration failure, and/or tooth/restoration fracture with structure loss involving four or more surfaces and at least 50% of the incisal edge or cuspal tip, where direct restorations would have a poor prognosis.
 - A permanent premolar tooth with loss of tooth structure due to initial caries, recurrent caries,

restoration failure, and/or tooth/restoration fracture with structure loss involving **three or more surfaces** and **one or more cusps** must be fractured or missing.

- A permanent molar tooth with loss of tooth structure due to initial caries, recurrent caries, restoration failure, and/or tooth/restoration fracture with structure loss involving **four or more surfaces** and **two or more cusps** must be fractured or missing
- A tooth with successful prior endodontic treatment and an endodontic access opening that has removed an extensive amount of tooth structure such that a crown is required to support the remaining tooth structure.
- When replacing a crown, open margin with obvious recurrent decay, fracture, or other structural failure must be documented.
- Crowns are not indicated under the following circumstances:
 - A lesser means of restoration is possible.
 - Tooth has sub-osseous and/or furcation caries.
 - Tooth has advanced periodontal disease.
 - Tooth is a primary tooth, unless permanent tooth is congenitally missing.
 - Crowns are being planned to alter vertical dimension.
 - Tooth has no apparent destruction due to caries or trauma
- Criteria for authorization of crowns after endodontic treatment:
 - Include a dated post-endodontic radiograph.
 - Tooth should be filled sufficiently close to the radiological apex to ensure that an apical seal is achieved, unless there is a curvature or calcification of the canal that limits the dentist's ability to fill the canal to the apex.
 - The filling must be properly condensed/obturated. Filling material does not extend excessively beyond the apex.
 - Crown must be opposed by a tooth or denture or is an abutment for a partial denture.
 - The patient must be free from active periodontal disease.
 - The permanent tooth must be at least 50% supported in bone.
- Core build ups (only covered for 1915(c) Waiver/ECF Choices members)
 - Presence of greater than 50% bone support
 - Absence of sub-osseous decay and/or furcation involvement
 - Absence of adequate tooth structure to support crown
 - Clinically acceptable root canal fill (if applicable)

Reimbursement Criteria

- A dated post-operative radiograph must be kept in the patient's record for completed indirect restorative procedures like crowns.
- Composite and amalgam restorations are reimbursable based upon total number of restored surfaces. For example, non-contiguous restorations, such as a separate Distal Occlusal (DO) and Mesial Occlusal (MO) on the same tooth, are billable as a three-surface restoration. Each claim line for restorative services must relate to only one tooth number. Local anesthesia is included in the fee for all restorative services.
- Any restorations done on the same tooth by the same provider or provider location within a 12-month period may be subject to post review.
- Billing and reimbursement for crowns are based on the seat/cementation date. The fee for crowns

includes the temporary crown that is placed on the prepared tooth and worn while the permanent crown is being fabricated for permanent teeth.

***Charges for restorative services with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist. Post-cementation radiographs must be in the patient's chart and available for review upon request. Absence of radiographic evidence required for confirming the quality of restoration(s) in a patient's chart may result in the recovery of prior payments for the service.*

Click here to learn more about restorative clinical guidance and criteria: [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#).

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Restorative D2000–D2999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D2390 resin-based composite crown, anterior			PA	
D2710 crown - resin- based composite (indirect)			PA	
D2932 prefabricated resin crown			PA	
D2933 prefabricated stainless steel crown with resin window			PA	
D2940 placement of interim direct restoration			PA	
D2950 core buildup, including any pins when required			PA	
D2951 pin retention - per tooth, in addition to restoration			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Restorative D2000–D2999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D2952 cast post and core in addition to crown			PA	
D2953 each additional cast post - same tooth			PA	
D2954 prefabricated post and core in addition to crown			PA	
D2955 post removal (not in conjunction with endodontic therapy)			PA	
D2957 each additional prefabricated post - same tooth			PA	
D2980 crown repair, by report			PA	

Endodontic Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Current pre-operative radiographs of diagnostic quality clearly showing adjacent and opposing teeth: pathology and/or caries must be present
- Periapicals or panorex acceptable. Panoramic or other types of radiographs that do not clearly show the tooth to be treated, adjacent and/or opposing teeth, along with pathology and extent of caries present, may not be accepted.

Qualifying Criteria

- Dentist has established (and documented) a credible endodontic diagnosis and need for treatment prior to initiating endodontic therapy.
- Tooth must be clinically restorable with good prognosis; endodontic therapy on non-restorable/poor prognosis teeth is not reimbursable.
- A tooth may be deemed non-restorable if one or more of the following clinical issues are present:
 - There is less than 50% bone support.
 - There is extensive loss of coronal structure.
 - There is evidence of furcation caries or lack of bony support.
 - The apex/apices present with extensive loss of bone due to an unresolved endodontic infection.
- Situations that **do not meet criteria** are as follows:
 - Root canal therapy for third molars, unless they are an abutment for a partial denture.
 - Root canal therapy is in anticipation of placement of an overdenture.
 - Filling material not accepted by the Federal Food and Drug Administration.
 - Gross periapical or periodontal disease is demonstrated radiographically (caries sub-crestal or to the furcation, deeming the tooth non-restorable)
- **Complete root canal therapy includes treatment plan, all appointments, temporary fillings, obturation and fill of all canals, all radiographs, and necessary follow-up care.**
- **Reimbursement Criteria:**
- A dated post-operative radiograph must be submitted showing properly condensed/obtured canal(s), for review for payment. Billing and reimbursement for all root canals are based on the fill date.

***Charges for endodontic therapy with resultant adverse treatment outcomes such as incomplete root canal obturation, access cavity/root perforations, and non-treatment of a patent root canal are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist.*

Click here to learn more about endodontic clinical guidance and criteria: [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#).

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
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Endodontics | D3000–D3999(ECF Choices/1915C)

<p>D3220 therapeutic pulpotomy (excluding final restoration) - removal of pulp coronal to the dentinocemental junction and application of medicament</p>			<p>PA</p>	
<p>D3221 pulpal debridement, primary and permanent teeth</p>			<p>PA</p>	
<p>D3331 treatment of root canal obstruction; non-surgical access</p>			<p>PA</p>	
<p>D3332 incomplete endodontic therapy; inoperable or fractured tooth</p>			<p>PA</p>	
<p>D3333 internal root repair of perforation defects</p>			<p>PA</p>	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Endodontics D3000–D3999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D3346 retreatment of previous root canal therapy - anterior			PA	
D3347 retreatment of previous root canal therapy - premolar			PA	
D3348 retreatment of previous root canal therapy - molar			PA	
D3351 apexification/ recalcification - initial visit (apical closure / calcific repair of perforations, root resorption, etc.)			PA	
D3352 apexification/ recalcification - interim medication replacement			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Endodontics D3000–D3999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D3353 apexification/ recalcification - final visit (includes completed root canal therapy - apical closure/calcific repair of perforations, root resorption, etc.)			PA	
D3410 apicoectomy - anterior			PA	
D3421 apicoectomy - premolar (first root)			PA	
D3425 apicoectomy - molar (first root)			PA	
D3426 apicoectomy (each additional root			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Endodontics D3000–D3999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D3430 retrograde filling - per root			PA	
D3450 root amputation - per root			PA	
D3921 de-coronation or submergence of an erupted tooth			PA	

Periodontic Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Pre-operative radiographs (full-mouth series or bitewings and periapicals)
- Letter of medical necessity documenting periodontal diagnosis, as detailed in the Qualifying Criteria below.
- Oral photographic images if applicable
- Periodontal charting performed within 12 months, including six-point probing, furcation, mucogingival relationship, bleeding, case type and oral hygiene status required.

Diagnostic criteria, consistent with professional standards, must demonstrate: (1) clinical loss of periodontal attachment and/or (2) radiographic evidence of crestal bone loss or changes in crestal lamina dura and/or (3) radiographic evidence of root surface calculus.

Qualifying Criteria

- Scaling and Root Planing
 - Therapeutic procedures for members who require scaling and root planing due to bone loss and subsequent loss of attachment. Instrumentation of the exposed root surface to remove deposits is an integral part of this procedure. Indicated for any of the following:
 - Localized or generalized mild or moderate chronic Periodontal Disease - Periodontal probing depths 4 mm up to 6 mm with clinical attachment loss of up to 4 mm; radiographic evidence of bone loss and tooth mobility may be present. In molars, furcation involvement should not exceed Class 1.
 - Localized or generalized severe chronic Periodontal Disease - Periodontal probing depths greater than 6 mm with attachment loss greater than 4 mm; radiographic evidence of bone loss and tooth mobility are present.
 - Refractory or recurrent Periodontal Disease
 - Periodontal abscess
 - Scaling and Root Planing is not indicated for the following:
 - For the removal of heavy deposits of calculus and plaque in the absence of clinical attachment loss
 - Gingivitis as defined by inflammation of the gingival tissue without loss of attachment (bone and tissue)
 - As a sole treatment for refractory chronic, aggressive, or advanced Periodontal Diseases
 - CDT D4341:
 - Four (4) or more teeth in the quadrant are affected
 - Abnormal pocket depths in several sites
 - Radiographic evidence of root surface calculus or radiographic evidence of significant loss of bone support
 - CDT D4342:
 - 1-3 teeth in quadrant are affected
 - Abnormal pocket depths in several sites
 - Radiographic evidence of root surface calculus or radiographic evidence of significant loss of bone support
- Periodontal Maintenance

- Periodontal maintenance is indicated for the following:
 - To maintain the results of surgical and non-surgical periodontal treatment
 - As an extension of active periodontal therapy at selected intervals
- Periodontal maintenance is not indicated for the following:
 - No history of Scaling and Root Planing or surgical procedures
 - Gingivitis

Reimbursement Criteria

- No payment is made for scaling and root planing performed in conjunction with gingivectomy, gingivoplasty, or periodontal surgery, regardless of coverage type.
- Periodontal Maintenance is not covered if performed in conjunction with prophylaxis or within 30 days of scaling and root planing.
- Periodontal Maintenance is not covered if no scaling or root planing was performed within the previous 24 months.

***Charges for periodontic therapy with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist. A treatment plan with a poor and/or uncertain periodontal, restorative, or endodontic outcome may be denied due to the unfavorable prognosis of the involved tooth/teeth. Special consideration/exception may be made by submission of a narrative report.*

Click here to learn more about periodontic clinical guidance and criteria:: [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#).

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Periodontics D4000–D4999 (ECF Choices/1915C)				
D4210 gingivectomy or gingivoplasty - four or more contiguous teeth or tooth- bounded spaces per quadrant		Per quadrant (10, 20, 30, 40, LL, LR, UL, UR)	PA	
D4211 gingivectomy or gingivoplasty - one to three contiguous teeth or tooth- bounded spaces per quadrant		1-32	PA	
D4240 gingival flap procedure, including root planing - four or more contiguous teeth or tooth- bounded spaces per quadrant		Per quadrant (10, 20, 30, 40, LL, LR, UL, UR)	PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Periodontics D4000–D4999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D4241 gingival flap procedure, including root planing - one to three contiguous teeth or tooth- bounded spaces per quadrant		1-32	PA	
D4346 scaling in presence of generalized moderate or severe gingival inflammation – full mouth, after oral evaluation			PA	

Removable Prosthodontic Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Panoramic radiograph series (even if edentulous) or full-mouth radiograph series
- Narrative/Treatment plan must include teeth to be extracted, and for partials include teeth to be replaced by partial
- Photographs, if necessary to support diagnosis and medical necessity
- For flexible partials; requires the submission of documented medical testing for allergic reaction to other denture materials.

Qualifying Criteria

- Removable Complete or Partial Dentures are indicated for:
 - Replacement of missing teeth lost due to disease, trauma, or injury.
 - Severely impaired masticatory function due to loss of teeth
 - **Missing at least one anterior tooth**
 - Replacement of a minimum of 3 to 4 permanent, posterior teeth based on one of the following conditions:
- **A total of 4 posterior teeth in the arch or**
- **A total of 3 adjacent posterior teeth in the arch**
 - Adequate and sufficient alveolar bone support of the remaining teeth in the arch is demonstrated; a minimum of 50% bone support is required.
 - Recipients with good periodontal health (AAP Type I or II), and a favorable prognosis where continuous deterioration is not expected.
 - Recipients with no untreated caries or active periodontal disease in the abutment teeth

***If there is a pre-existing prosthesis, it must be at least 5 years old and unserviceable to qualify for replacement.**

*A new prosthesis will not be reimbursed within 24 months of a reline or repair of the existing prosthesis

- Removable Complete and Partial Dentures are not indicated for the following:
 - For members with chronic poor oral hygiene and unsuitable abutment teeth
 - When there has been extensive bone atrophy resulting in an inadequate edentulous ridge
 - Poor neuro-muscular control
 - Unresolved soft tissue concerns (e.g., lack of vestibular depth, hypertrophy, hyperplasia, stomatitis)
 - If there is an existing prosthesis less than 5 years old and in serviceable condition
 - If the recipient cannot accommodate and properly maintain the prosthesis (lodge, gag reflex, potential for swallowing the prosthesis, severe disability).
 - If the recipient has a history or an inability to wear a prosthesis due to psychological or anatomical reasons.
 - If a partial denture, less than 5 years old, is converted to a temporary or permanent complete denture.
- Complete and Partial Denture Rebase and Reline Procedures
 - Denture Rebasing is indicated for the following:
 - When changes to the residual ridge result in loss of denture stability, retention, or occlusal disharmony

- When replacing or rearranging teeth on a partial denture
 - When the base has fractured or cracked
- Denture Rebasing is not indicated for the following:
 - When the prosthesis is broken or worn to the extent that replacement is warranted
 - When the occlusion or structural integrity of the denture teeth are no longer functional
 - When a Reline is sufficient
- Denture Relining is indicated for the following:
 - When changes to the residual ridge result in loss of denture stability, retention, or occlusal disharmony
- Denture Rebasing AND Relining are not indicated for the following:
 - When the prosthesis is broken or worn to the extent that it is no longer functional and replacing the appliance is warranted
 - Unresolved soft tissue hyperplasia or stomatitis
- Repairs:
 - 6 months post-delivery for complete and partial dentures:
 - 2 repairs per denture per year
 - Relines will be reimbursed one per denture every 6 months.
 - Adjustments will be reimbursed one per denture per year.

Reimbursement Criteria

- Payment for a denture or denture service includes all necessary follow-up corrections and adjustments for a period of six months.
- Providers will be reimbursed for complete dentures and partial dentures on delivery date of the appliance (also known as “seat date”).
- Claims for Immediate Denture must show extractions on the same date of service. Before rendering any patient edentulous the Dentist or Oral Surgeon must ensure that dentures have been authorized.

As part of any removable prosthetic service, dentists are expected to provide proper patient instruction on care of the prothesis.

***Charges for removable prosthodontic therapy with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist.*

Click here to learn more about removable prosthodontic clinical guidance and criteria. [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#).

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Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D5225 maxillary partial denture - flexible base			PA	
D5226 mandibular partial denture - flexible base			PA	
D5227 immediate maxillary partial denture - flexible base (including any clasps, rests and teeth)			PA	
D5228 immediate mandibular partial denture - flexible base (including any clasps, rests and teeth)			PA	
D5410 adjust complete denture - maxillary			PA	
D5411 adjustment - complete denture - mandibular			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D5421 adjust partial denture - maxillary			PA	
D5422 adjust partial denture - mandibular			PA	
D5511 repair broken complete denture base, mandibular			PA	
D5512 repair broken complete denture base, maxillary			PA	
D5520 replace missing or broken teeth - complete denture (each tooth)			PA	
D5670 replace all teeth and acrylic on cast metal framework (maxillary)			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D5671 replace all teeth and acrylic on cast metal framework (mandibular)			PA	
D5710 rebase complete maxillary denture			PA	
D5711 rebase complete mandibular denture			PA	
D5720 rebase maxillary partial denture			PA	
D5721 rebase mandibular partial denture			PA	
D5725 rebase hybrid prosthesis			PA	
D5740 reline maxillary partial denture (chairside)			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D5741 reline mandibular partial denture (chairside)			PA	
D5760 reline maxillary partial denture (laboratory)			PA	
D5761 reline mandibular partial denture (laboratory)			PA	
D5765 soft liner for complete or partial removable denture - indirect			PA	
D5810 interim complete denture - maxillary			PA	
D5811 interim complete denture - mandibular			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D5820 interim partial denture - maxillary			PA	
D5821 interim partial denture - mandibular			PA	
D5850 tissue conditioning, maxillary			PA	
D5851 tissue conditioning, mandibular			PA	
D5862 precision attachment, by report			PA	
D5863 overdenture - complete maxillary			PA	
D5864 overdenture - partial maxillary			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Prosthodontics, Removable D5000–D5999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D5865 overdenture - complete mandibular			PA	
D5866 overdenture - partial mandibular			PA	
D5867 replacement of replaceable part of semi - precision attachment			PA	
D5876 add metal substructure to acrylic full denture (per arch)		Per arch (01, 02, LA, UA)	PA	
D5877 Duplication of complete denture – maxillary			PA	
D5878 Duplication of complete denture – mandibular			PA	

Fixed Prosthodontic Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Diagnostic radiographs and narrative to support medical necessity determination are required
- Periapicals or bitewings acceptable. Panoramic or other types of radiographs that do not clearly show the tooth to be replaced, adjacent and/or opposing teeth, along with current periodontal and endodontic status of the teeth, including pathology and extent of caries present, may not be accepted.
- Establishment of credible caries risk and diagnosis of caries that require the need for definitive restorative treatment, as applicable under the Indications listed below

Qualifying Criteria

- Fixed Partial Dentures are indicated:
 - When any or all of the indications for removable appliance therapy are present and the patient cannot tolerate a removable appliance due to documented physical or neurological disorder
 - Fixed Partial Dentures must be deemed medically necessary, not cosmetic
 - Replacement of missing teeth lost due to disease, trauma, or injury
 - Severely impaired masticatory function due to loss of teeth
 - Adequate and sufficient alveolar bone support of the abutment, a minimum of 50% bone support is required.
 - Recipients with good periodontal health and a favorable prognosis where continuous deterioration is not expected.
 - Recipients with no untreated caries or active periodontal disease in the abutment teeth
*If there is a pre-existing prosthesis, it must be at least 5 years old and unserviceable to qualify for replacement.
- Fixed Partial Dentures are not indicated for the following:
 - For members with chronic, poor oral hygiene and unsuitable abutment teeth
 - If the patient is unable to accommodate and properly maintain the prosthesis due to factors such as a poor retention, a pronounced gag reflex, risk of aspiration or swallowing the device or severe physical or cognitive disability- or if there is documented history of psychological intolerance to wearing a prosthesis
 - When the abutment tooth is a primary tooth
 - Unresolved soft tissue concerns (e.g., lack of vestibular depth, hypertrophy, hyperplasia, stomatitis)
 - If there is an existing prosthesis less than 5 years old and in serviceable condition

Reimbursement Criteria for Fixed Partial Dentures

- Payment for a fixed partial denture service includes all necessary follow-up corrections and adjustments for a period of six months.
- Billing and reimbursement for fixed partial dentures are based on the seat/cementation date. The fee includes the temporary fixed partial denture that is placed on the prepared tooth and worn while the permanent crown is being fabricated for permanent teeth.
- As part of any fixed prosthetic service, dentists are expected to provide proper patient instruction on care of the prosthesis.

Qualifying Criteria

Dental implants are indicated:

- When replacement of missing teeth is medically necessary, but adjacent teeth are healthy and do not require preparation for a fixed bridge.
- Support for fixed or removable prosthesis to improve retention, stability and or function is medically necessary.
- Restoration of oral function, including mastication and speech

Dental implant placement is not indicated:

- When uncontrolled systemic disease exists, including but not limited to: uncontrolled diabetes, severe cardiovascular disorders or disease, and immunosuppressive conditions.
- When active cancer or recent chemotherapy/radiation therapy is in progress.
- When various habits or risks exist that place the patient at a higher risk for implant failure e.g. alcoholism, smoking bruxism, periodontal disease.

Reimbursement Criteria for Implants

- Implants will not be approved and/or reimbursed unless medical necessity requirements are met and the attached form is completed in detail.
- Implants will not be approved and/or reimbursed for elective purposes, cosmetic reasons, or if an alternative treatment service that is a covered benefit and more cost effective, such as a removable partial denture, would meet medical necessity requirements.
- Payment for an implant service includes all necessary follow-up visits, including revisions, adjustments, recementations, or other necessary services for a minimum period of six months.
- Billing and reimbursement for implant services are on the placement date and/or seat/cementation date for an implant abutment or crown. The fee includes any temporary prosthesis or related services while the permanent abutment, crown or other prosthesis is being fabricated.

****Charges for fixed prosthodontic therapy with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist. *Post-cementation radiographs must be in the patient's chart and available for review upon request. Absence of radiographic evidence required for confirming the quality of restoration(s) in a patient's chart may result in the recovery of prior payments for the service.***

Click here to learn more about removable prosthodontic clinical guidance and criteria: [criteria: Renaissance - Clinical Criteria.](#)

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Prosthodontics, Fixed D6000–D6999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D6211 pontic - cast base metal			PA	
D6212 pontic - cast noble metal			PA	
D6241 pontic- porcelain fused to base metal			PA	
D6242 pontic- porcelain fused to noble metal			PA	
D6243 pontic- porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys			PA	
D6245 prosthodontics fixed, pontic – porcelain /ceramic			PA	
D6251 pontic-resin with base metal			PA	

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Prosthodontics, Fixed D6000–D6999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D6252 pontic-resin with noble metal			PA	
D6545 retainer - cast metal fixed			PA	
D6548 prosthodontics fixed, retainer - porcelain/cera mic for resin bonded fixed prosthodontic			PA	
D6721 crown-resin with base metal			PA	
D6722 crown-resin with noble metal			PA	
D6740 retainer crown - porcelain/cera mic			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Prosthodontics, Fixed D6000–D6999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D6751 crown-porcelain fused to base metal			PA	
D6752 crown-porcelain fused noble metal			PA	
D6753 retainer crown - porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys			PA	
D6781 prosthodontics fixed, crown $\frac{3}{4}$ cast predominantly based metal			PA	
D6782 prosthodontics fixed, crown $\frac{3}{4}$ cast noble metal			PA	
D6783 prosthodontics fixed, crown $\frac{3}{4}$ porcelain /ceramic			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Prosthodontics, Fixed D6000-D6999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D6784 retainer crown 3/4 - titanium and titanium alloys			PA	
D6791 crown - full cast base metal			PA	
D6792 crown - full cast noble metal			PA	
D6920 connector bar		Per arch (01, 02, LA, UA)	PA	
D6930 re-cement or re-bond fixed partial denture			PA	
D6940 Stress breaker			PA	
D6950 precision attachment			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Prosthodontics, Fixed D6000–D6999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D6950 precision attachment			PA	
D6980 fixed partial denture repair		1-32	PA	

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria

- Appropriate diagnostic pre-operative radiographs clearly showing the adjacent and opposing teeth and substantiating any pathology or caries present are required. Bitewings, periapicals, or panorex are acceptable.
 - Radiographic documentation must demonstrate the definitions of complete bony, partial bony, and soft tissue impaction if billed.
- Narrative of medical necessity is required for authorization of alveoloplasty.

Qualifying Criteria

- Extractions:
 - A tooth may be removed only if it cannot be saved because it is broken down, poorly supported by the alveolar bone, and/or affected by a pathological condition.
 - Note - Extractions that render a patient edentulous must be deferred until authorization to construct a denture has been given, except in an absolute emergency. Documentation must be provided to support the absolute emergency removal of teeth.
 - Non-surgical extractions:
 - No prior authorization is required
 - Removal of erupted tooth or exposed root (elevation and/or forceps removal)
 - Includes removal of tooth structure, minor smoothing of socket bone, and closure, as necessary
 - Surgical Extraction:
 - Surgical removal of tooth requires removal of bone and/or sectioning of tooth, and includes elevation of mucoperiosteal flap if indicated
 - Surgical removal of soft tissue impaction will not require removal of bone, but will require elevation of mucoperiosteal flap
 - Prophylactic removal of disease-free unerupted third molars is **not** a covered benefit for TennCare members. Impaction alone, absent pathology does not meet medical necessity requirement for approval. Un-erupted third molars must show pathology or demonstrate by radiographic evidence both an aberrant tooth position beyond normal variations and substantial ($\geq 50\%$) root formation to qualify for extraction.
 - Discomfort from natural tooth eruption not caused by pathology or an aberrant tooth position will not qualify an un-erupted third molar extraction for authorization.
 - When at least a single third molar meets the criteria above, the DBM (or a dental professional employed by TennCare or its contractor) may, at their clinical discretion and on a case-by-case basis, approve the extraction of additional unerupted third molar teeth to avoid risk from multiple exposures of the member to moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia.
 - Routine incision and drainage is not considered a separate benefit if the extraction serves in this function.
 - Excision of lesion in conjunction with extraction is considered part of the extraction procedure.
 - Excision of lesion that is not tooth related on same date of service requires a narrative

and radiographic documentation of a hard tissue cyst/lesion or photographic evidence of soft tissue cyst/lesion.

- Removal of unerupted third molars requires prior authorization.
- Alveoloplasty in conjunction with extractions
 - D7310 - 4 or more teeth or tooth spaces per quadrant
 - D7311 – 1-3 teeth per quadrant or tooth spaces per quadrant
- Alveoloplasty not in conjunction with extractions
 - D7320 – 4 or more teeth or tooth spaces per quadrant
 - D7321 – 1-3 teeth or tooth spaces per quadrant
 - Narrative supporting necessity for prosthetic placement

Alveoloplasty will not be authorized following surgical extractions.

Reimbursement Criteria

- Failure to submit the required documentation may result in a denied request and denied payment of a claim related to that request.
- Extraction includes local anesthesia, suturing if needed, and routine post-operative care.
- Patient informed consent must be obtained for all extractions.
- If the crown of the tooth has been fractured or destroyed by caries, and the removal of the root is performed, the appropriate ADA code should be used (i.e. D7140 -extraction, erupted tooth, or exposed root; or D7210 surgical extraction of retained root per indications). D7250 is not reimbursable to dentist or dental group that performed initial extraction, within 90 days of initial extraction.

***Charges for oral and maxillofacial surgery services with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a TennCare patient by a participating dentist.*

Click here to learn more about oral and maxillofacial surgery clinical guidance and criteria. [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria.](#)

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery D7000–D7999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D7230 removal of impacted tooth- partially bony			PA	
D7240 removal of impacted tooth- completely bony			PA	

D7241 removal of impacted tooth-completely bony, with unusual surgical complications			PA	
D7259 nerve dissection			PA	
D7260 oroantral fistula closure			PA	
D7270 tooth reimplantation and/or stabilization of accidentally avulsed or displaced tooth			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
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Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery | D7000–D7999(ECF Choices/1915C)

D7272 tooth transplantation (includes reimplantation from one site to another)			PA	
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D7280 surgical access of an unerupted tooth			PA	
D7282 mobilization of erupted or malposition tooth to aid eruption			PA	
D7285 incisional biopsy of oral tissue - hard (bone, tooth)			PA	
D7286 incisional biopsy of oral tissue - soft			PA	
D7410 radical excision - lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm			PA	

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Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery D7000–D7999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D7413 excision of malignant lesion up to 1.25 cm			PA	
D7440 excision of malignant tumor - lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm			PA	
D7450 removal of odontogenic cyst or tumor - lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm			PA	
D7460 removal of nonodontogeni c cyst or tumor - lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm			PA	
D7465 destruction of lesion(s) by physical or chemical method, by report			PA	
D7510 incision and drainage of abscess - intraoral soft tissue			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery D7000–D7999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D7511 incision and drainage of abscess - intraoral soft tissue - complicated (includes drainage of multiple fascial spaces)			PA	
D7530 removal of foreign body from mucosa, skin, or subcutaneous alveolar tissue			PA	
D7540 removal of reaction - producing foreign bodies, musculoskeletal system			PA	
D7880 occlusal orthotic device, by report			PA	
D7970 excision of hyperplastic tissue - per arch		Per Arch (01, 02, LA, UA)	PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery D7000–D7999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D7971 excision of pericoronal gingiva			PA	
D7972 surgical reduction of fibrous tuberosity			PA	
D7997 appliance removal (not by dentist who placed appliance), includes removal of archbar			PA	

Adjunct General Services Clinical Criteria

Diagnostic Criteria (for anesthesia/sedation)

- Clinical narratives and recent (6 months or less) radiographic documentation for the dental procedures to be performed (photographs and/or appropriate charting, if warranted).
- Associated patient treatment record entries, including a definitive diagnosis and detailed treatment plan (including any entries related to failed attempts at local anesthesia and/or other behavioral management efforts).
- Referring dentist reports, if applicable
- A narrative describing the medical necessity for sedation/anesthesia
- ASA physical status classification
- Completed Sedation and General Anesthesia Form
- Completed Hospital Readiness Form

Qualifying Criteria

- Anesthesia and sedation
 - Documented extreme anxiety or fear or evidence of resistance to conventional behavior management techniques.
 - Physical compromising conditions such as inability to obtain adequate analgesia with local anesthesia, allergy to local anesthetics or other known contraindications to local anesthesia.
 - Management of a gag reflex.
 - Medically compromising conditions such as diseases and conditions with severe spasticity, closed head trauma, or stroke-causing inability to cooperate with directions.
 - Behavioral/intellectual/psychological compromising conditions such as developmental disability disorders characterized by significant limitations in intellectual functioning, adaptive behavior, and/or physical functioning.
 - Long, extensive, complex, and/or radical dental procedures necessary to treat a patient's dental condition(s) such as surgical removal of teeth involving multiple quadrants or treatment where unexpected patient movement may compromise treatment results, such as the removal of a third molar tooth in intimate contact with the inferior alveolar nerve.
 - Members should be evaluated individually, and the most effective and least invasive form of sedation should be utilized by the medical and/or dental provider.
- Anesthesia/sedation may be contraindicated if:
 - A patient has predisposing medical and/or physical conditions that would make general anesthesia unsafe (including allergies to any of the sedative agents to be used).
 - The patient is cooperative and has minimal treatment needs.
 - Provided for the convenience of the patient or dentist.
 - None of the services to be provided warrant sedation.
 - The parent, guardian, or legally appointed representative object to the provision of such.

Reimbursement Criteria

- Failure to submit the required documentation may result in a denied request and denied payment of a claim related to that request.

***Charges for adjunct general services with resultant adverse treatment outcomes are not benefits of the program and are not collectable from a Renaissance TennCare Adult patient by a participating dentist.*

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CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Adjunctive General Services D9000–D9999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D9210 local anesthesia not in conjunction with operative or surgical procedures			PA	
D9211 regional block anesthesia			PA	
D9212 trigeminal division block anesthesia			PA	
D9215 local anesthesia in conjunction with operative or surgical procedures			PA	
D9219 evaluation for moderate sedation, deep sedation or general anesthesia	One of (D9219, D9997) per 1 lifetime per provider.		PA	narrative of medical necessity

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Adjunctive General Services D9000–D9999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D9222 deep sedation /general anesthesia first 15 minutes			PA	
D9223 deep sedation/gener al anesthesia - each subsequent 15-minute increment			PA	
D9224 Administration of general anesthesia with advanced airway – first 15 minute increment, or any portion thereof			PA	
D9225 Administration of general anesthesia with advanced airway – each subsequent 15 minute increment, or any portion thereof			PA	
D9239 intravenous moderate (conscious) sedation/analg esia - first 15 minutes			PA	

D9243 intravenous moderate (conscious) sedation/analgesia - each subsequent 15-minute increment			PA	
D9244 In-office administration of minimal sedation – single drug – enteral			PA	
D9245 Administration of moderate sedation – enteral			PA	
D9246 Administration of moderate sedation – non-intravenous parenteral – first 15 minute increment, or any portion thereof			PA	
D9247 Administration of moderate sedation – non-intravenous parenteral – each subsequent 15 minute increment, or any portion thereof			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Adjunctive General Services D9000–D9999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D9610 Therapeutic drug injection, by report			PA	
D9911 application of desensitizing resin for cervical and /or root surface, per tooth			PA	
D9920 behavior management, by report	To be billed in 15-minute increments - not billable with sedation of any kind-		PA	Narrative of medical necessity and description of attempts to treat without. Must be specific to patient and not generic.
D9939 Placement of a custom clear plastic temporary aesthetic appliance			PA	
D9944 occlusal guard - hard appliance, full arch			PA	
D9945 occlusal guard - soft appliance full arch			PA	

CDT Code/ Description	Benefit Limitations	Area of Mouth	Prior Authorization (PA) or Pre-Payment Review (PPR) Required	Documentation Required for Services Requiring Review
Adjunctive General Services D9000–D9999(ECF Choices/1915C)				
D9946 occlusal guard - hard appliance, partial arch			PA	
D9971 odontoplasty 1 -2 teeth; includes removal of enamel projections			PA	
D9997 dental case management - members with special healthcare needs	One per lifetime per member per provider.		PA	narrative of medical necessity

Section 11

Clinical Criteria References

Specific Criteria – Service specific clinical criteria used in utilization review determinations may be found at [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#). These documents contain the specific authoritative references used in creating Renaissance’s criteria.

The following criteria generally apply to the planning and provision of dental services and procedures:

- Appropriate informed consent must be obtained from members or authorized representatives prior to providing dental services and procedures.
- The provision of dental treatment must be preceded by an appropriate clinical evaluation, the development of a diagnosis and the creation of a treatment plan. Treatment plans must be appropriate to individual patient needs, be consistent with documented diagnoses and have treatment appropriately sequenced.
- If acceptable radiographs are reasonably available from another source, practitioners should use those images rather than exposing a patient to more radiation. When such images are not available, practitioners should obtain the appropriate radiographs required for the diagnosis and treatment of a patient in accordance with [The Selection of Members for Dental Radiographic Examinations](#) published by the American Dental Association and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and [Optimizing radiation safety in dentistry](#) published by the American Dental Association.
- Clinicians must employ appropriate infection control procedures as described in the 2003 Guidelines for Infection Control in Dental Health-Care Settings and the [2016 Summary of Infection Prevention Practices in Dental Settings](#) from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- Patient dental records must legibly document appropriate information including, but not limited to:
 - Patient identification information including the patient’s full name, birth date, address, telephone number, emergency contact and authorized representative (if any)
 - Medical and dental history
 - Patient complaints
 - Thorough charting of the patient's existing oral health care status
 - The result of any diagnostic tests
 - A comprehensive diagnosis and treatment plan
 - All dental procedures performed upon the patient, including the date of service, identity of the treating clinician and thorough description of the procedure
 - Treatment progress notes
 - The date, dosage and amount of any medication or drug prescribed, dispensed or administered to the patient
 - Appropriate informed consent
 - Any other documentation required to completely document the quantity, quality, appropriateness and timeliness of dental services and procedures provided
- Dental services and procedures must be covered by a member’s dental plan and be completed to be eligible for benefit payment. Non-covered services and incomplete procedures are not eligible for benefit payment. When dental care is interrupted or terminated due a change in a patient’s treating

clinician or the death of a patient, any involved claim will be reviewed to determine what benefit coverage, if any, is available for services completed or in progress.

- Dental services and procedures determined not to be medically necessary or clinically appropriate are not eligible for benefit payment.
- When planning the provision of dental service and procedures, practitioners should consider the likely prognosis and whether a successful treatment outcome may reasonably be expected. Benefits for services and procedures determined to have a poor endodontic, periodontal, structural, restorative or prosthodontic prognosis may not be considered eligible for benefit payment.

Section 12

Prior Authorization

How to Submit Claims for Services Provided to Members

In the administration of TennCare Adult dental benefits covered by a particular State of Tennessee plan, Renaissance covers all State-required services through an NCQA compliant utilization management program based on the generally accepted standards of dental practice. However, to appropriately manage health care costs and/or assure medical necessity, certain CDT codes may require approval before services can be rendered. The prior authorization process is how Renaissance manages the utilization of services through the application of medical necessity, appropriateness of care, and benefit coverage eligibility standards.

Common dental procedures generally do not require prior authorization, however, for those services as defined by the specific program, certain CDT codes require that a provider submit a prior authorization request, and that they receive a determination prior to those services being rendered. Other services may require routine review, but unlike those requiring binding prior authorization, the provider may render the associated service before submitting the request. In the instance of prior authorization, the submission of the requested material and clinical documentation is used by Renaissance in the determination of medical necessity and/or the appropriateness of care as related to the requested service. In doing so, this helps providers address claim issues early and to avoid possible delays related to denials and appeals.

It is important to be aware that failure to request required prior authorization before beginning treatment may result in rejection of reimbursement for a procedure. Another key point to keep in mind is that a prior authorization may not be valid if a patient has lost eligibility for benefits as of the date that services approved on an authorization notice are performed. Hence, it is important to confirm patient eligibility at each appointment prior to delivering care.

Renaissance will respond to requests for prior authorization within 14 calendar days (abbreviated to 7 calendar days effective January 1, 2026) for any request that is not for an urgent dental care procedure. Urgent dental care procedures are defined as procedures that must be provided without delay to control pain, treat infections, and/or to provide treatment to prevent a dental problem from causing permanent damage to a patient's health.

In emergency situations, where oral health conditions involve severe pain, uncontrolled bleeding, traumatic injuries, or infections requiring immediate attention, providers are urged to render the appropriate treatment. Providers should then contact Renaissance within 3 calendar days and submit the appropriate claim. If such urgency is not required, Renaissance will respond to prior authorization requests for expedited dental care procedures within 72 hours of receiving the request.

Effective 01/01/26, Renaissance will respond to requests for prior authorization within 7 calendar days for any standard (non-urgent) prior authorization requests and the current prior authorization deadline for expedited (urgent) prior authorizations requests will remain unchanged at 72 hours.

Prior authorizations are valid for 180 calendar days after issuance, after which a new prior authorization request must be submitted. If a prior authorization is not approved, Renaissance will provide information explaining the reason(s) along with information on how to appeal the adverse decision.

Appeals of adverse prior authorization decisions must be submitted to Renaissance within 60 calendar days of the date of the determination (see Section 12 for more information on submitting appeals).

Providers are not allowed to bill the eligible patient or Renaissance if services begin before prior authorization

is determined and are at financial risk; additionally, providers may not balance bill the member if the utilization management reviewer determines the clinical review criteria have not been met.

Prior authorization requests may be submitted electronically through a clearinghouse, or through Renaissance's Dental Office Toolkit®, using the current version of the ADA dental claim form, which can be found at: <https://www.ada.org/publications/cdt/ada-dental-claim-form>.

In the Header Information box at the top left of the claim form, under "1. Type of Transaction", check the box labeled "Request for Predetermination/Preauthorization". If a prior authorization request involves an urgent dental care procedure, write "Urgent PA Request" in the "35. Remarks" box on the claim form.

The Dental Office Toolkit® may also be used to check on the status of prior authorization requests. Make certain that all the required documentation listed is included for a given code and include any other information that is important for Renaissance's professional reviewers to see when making a prior authorization determination. If Renaissance needs more information to process a request for prior authorization, providers will receive documentation of the specific information necessary to process the request.

For those services not requiring prior authorization but requiring pre-payment review, providers will submit an in-for-pay (IFP) claim, with the required clinical documentation, after the treatment has been rendered. If the associated medical necessity criteria have been met and the treatment was appropriate to the preoperative condition, payment will most likely be made if all other eligibility standards are satisfied.

In all instances, the Renaissance utilization management procedures are based on appropriate care and service, and do not reward those involved for issuing denials, nor offer incentives to encourage inappropriate utilization.

Section 13

Grievances and Appeals

Renaissance adheres to state and federal law and to program requirements related to processing inquiries and appeals.

NOTE: Copies of Renaissance policies and procedures can be requested by contacting Customer Service at: 866-864-2526 (TTY users dial 711)

(Member Appeal Process)

If a provider receives a notice from Renaissance advising that provider's prior authorization request has been denied, the TennCare dental member will have also received the notice of adverse benefit determination (NABD) that details the member's appeal rights.

In the event that a dental service prior authorization request is denied by Renaissance, the TennCare dental member has the right to appeal the denial to TennCare. With the member, member parent, or member guardian's authorization, a provider may file a TennCare service appeal on the member's behalf. The NABD instructs how to file such an appeal with TennCare.

Once a member appeal is filed, TennCare will conduct an appeal as required under state and federal law. If TennCare's dental reviewer upholds the adverse benefit determination, the member will have a State Fair Hearing as provided for under state and federal. If the State Fair Hearing decision overturns Renaissance's denial, Renaissance will be instructed by TennCare to approve provision of the service under appeal.

PLEASE NOTE: TennCare's process does not handle provider appeals (post-service appeals) which have not resulted in an adverse benefit determination affecting the TennCare dental member's receipt of a benefit. For example, payment disputes between the provider and Renaissance must NOT be filed as TennCare member appeals. If resolution of the issue under dispute does not affect whether the TennCare dental member will receive a service (or reimbursement of a service), then the appeal should be filed as a Provider Appeal.

See section below for an explanation of the Provider Appeal process.

Rights and Responsibilities Regarding Member Appeals

TennCare dental members have the right to appeal any adverse benefit determination taken by Renaissance. An adverse benefit determination is anything that denies, reduces, terminates, delays, or suspends a TennCare dental covered service, as well as any acts or omission which impair the quality, timeliness, or availability of TennCare dental covered services.

Appeals involving denials of authorizations for care for TennCare dental members may be filed by the member or by anyone (including the treating provider) acting on the member's behalf. Dental providers play an important role in the appeal process for TennCare dental members. Among providers' responsibilities is the obligation to supply at no cost to TennCare or Renaissance, those medical and dental records necessary to substantiate the member's appeal.

Member Grievances

A grievance is an expression of dissatisfaction (other than an adverse benefit determination) with any aspect of the operations, activities, or behavior of a TennCare adult health plan, or its providers, regardless of whether remedial action is requested. The member must file the grievance either verbally or in writing with Renaissance. Member grievances can include, but are not limited to:

- Access to services.
- Care and treatment by a provider or staff.
- The administration of the program.

A member or member's representative with the member's written consent can file a grievance orally or in writing, at any time. With each grievance, the member or representative should provide all supporting information that will aid in the investigation by Renaissance. A member or member representative can request assistance in filing a grievance by contacting Renaissance Customer Service at 866-864-2526.

Renaissance adheres to all Tennessee, federal, and managed care requirements related to processing grievances. After receipt, appropriate Renaissance personnel:

- Documents the substance of the grievance.
- Investigates the issue(s), including any aspect of clinical care.
- Compiles their findings.
- May request patient treatment records and/or associated clinical documentation.
- If applicable, works with the appropriate dental professional(s) to review and then,
- Obtains a resolution.
- The appropriate persons are notified (including the member and provider) and the issue is maintained on file.

Upon receipt of a grievance, Renaissance provides the member with an acknowledgment of receipt either orally or in writing within five (5) business days. Renaissance provides grievance resolution to the member and provider (if the grievance was against the provider) as expeditiously as possible but no later than ninety (90) days from the date the grievance is received by Renaissance.

Renaissance's process for handling member grievances against providers and/or Renaissance is as follows:

1. The member grievance process shall only be for grievances as defined in Section 2. Renaissance and the Providers shall ensure that all member appeals, as defined in Section 12, are addressed through the appeals process, rather than through the grievance process.
2. Renaissance and the provider shall allow a member to file a grievance either orally or in writing at any time.
3. Provider shall forward a copy of any written member grievance the provider receives to Renaissance within one (1) business day of receipt from member. The provider shall forward to Renaissance a full and complete written version of any grievance received orally from a member within one (1) business day of receipt from the member. All such transmissions of member grievance to Renaissance shall be made electronically, via secure email or facsimile transmission.
4. Within five (5) business days of receipt of the grievance, Renaissance shall provide written notice to the member and the provider (if the grievance was against the Provider) that the Grievance has been received and the expected date of resolution. However, if Renaissance resolves the grievance and verbally informs the member, and provider if appropriate, of the resolution within five (5) business days of receipt of the grievance, Renaissance shall not be required to provide written acknowledgement of the complaint to the member, and provider if appropriate.
5. Renaissance shall resolve and notify the member and the provider (if the grievance was against the Provider) in writing of the resolution of each grievance as expeditiously as possible but no later than ninety (90) days from the date the complaint is received by Renaissance. The notice shall

include the resolution and the basis for the resolution. However, if Renaissance resolved the grievance and verbally informed the member and provider, if appropriate, of the resolution within five (5) business days of receipt of the grievance, Renaissance shall not be required to provide written notice of resolution to either the member or the provider (if the grievance was against the provider).

6. Renaissance and providers shall assist members with the grievance process.
7. Renaissance shall resolve each member grievance with assistance from the affected provider, as needed, and provider shall comply with Renaissance's request for assistance. The resolution process includes various methods of determining the cause of, and the appropriate resolution of, a grievance, including, but not limited to, use of a corrective action plan (CAP). A CAP is a plan to correct provider's noncompliance with the provider agreement (including noncompliance resulting in member grievance) that the provider prepares on his/her own initiative, or at Renaissance's request, to submit to Renaissance for review and approval. The provider shall respond timely to the CAP request and take all CAP actions that have been approved by Renaissance. Failure to comply with a request to provide a CAP or the terms and conditions of an approved CAP may result in actions against the provider, including termination of the affected provider's provider agreement by Renaissance. The various components of a CAP are as follows:
 - a. Notice of Deficiency: If Renaissance determines that the provider is not in compliance with a requirement of the provider agreement (including, but not limited to, issues relating to a member's grievance) Renaissance will issue a notice of deficiency identifying the deficiency and request a CAP detailing how the provider intends to correct the deficiency. The Notice of Deficiency will also contain the deadline for the proposed CAP to be forwarded to Renaissance and may also contain recommendations or requirements the provider must include or address in the CAP.
 - b. Proposed CAP: Upon receipt of a Notice of Deficiency, the provider shall prepare a proposed CAP and submit it to Renaissance for approval within the time frame specified by Renaissance. The proposed CAP shall comply with all recommendations and requirements of the Notice of Deficiency and contain a proposed time by which the noncompliance will be corrected.
 - c. Approved CAP Implementation: Renaissance will review the proposed CAP and work with the provider to revise it as needed. Once approved, the provider shall be responsible for ensuring that all actions and documentation required by the CAP are completed in compliance with the CAP, to Renaissance's satisfaction.
 - d. Notice of Completed CAP: Upon satisfactory completion of the implemented CAP, Renaissance shall provide written notice to the provider. Until written approval is received by the provider, the approved CAP will be deemed to not have been satisfactorily completed.
8. Renaissance shall track and trend all member grievances, timeframes and resolutions and ensure remediation of individual and/or systemic issues.
9. Upon request, Renaissance shall submit reports regarding member grievances to TennCare.
10. Member grievances pertaining to discrimination shall be handled in accordance with the separate nondiscrimination process. Discrimination complaints must be reported within 6 months from the date of event.

Mail to:

Renaissance Gov. Prog. Inquiries
P.O. Box 1505
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-1505

Call:

1-866-864-2526 (TTY:711)

Provider Appeal Process

Participating providers that disagree with claims processing determinations made by Renaissance may submit a written notice of disagreement to Renaissance that specifies the nature of the issue. The provider appeal form can be used for this purpose. The appeal must be sent within 60 days from the date of the original determination.

All provider appeals received timely by Renaissance will be reviewed by the Complaints and Grievances Department for review and reconsideration, which includes review by a clinical professional. The department will respond in writing with its decision to the provider.

Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance Complaint Process

The TDCI Provider Complaint process is a courtesy provided to dental providers who have a complaint against Renaissance. This process is free.

Complaints may involve claims payment accuracy and timeliness, credentialing procedures, inability to contact or obtain assistance from Renaissance, miscommunication, or confusion around Renaissance policy and procedures, etc.

When a provider complaint is received, the TDCI TennCare Oversight Division will forward the complaint to Renaissance for investigation. Renaissance is required to respond in writing to both the provider and the TennCare Oversight Division by a set deadline to avoid assessment of liquidated damages or other appropriate sanction. If the provider is not satisfied with Renaissance's response to the complaint, the provider may seek other remedies to resolve the complaint, including but not limited to, requesting a claims payment dispute be sent to an Independent Reviewer for resolution or pursuing other available legal or contractual remedies. Instructions and current copies of the forms can be obtained on the state's website at [Provider Complaint: TennCare and CoverKids Programs](#).

TDCI TennCare Provider Independent Review of Disputed Claims

In addition to the above process, providers may file a request with the Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance for an independent review pursuant to the TennCare Dental Provider Independent Review of Disputed Claims process.

The Independent Review process was established by statute (Tennessee Code Annotated § 56-32-126(b)(2)) to resolve claims disputes when a provider believes a TennCare Managed Care Company (MCC) such as Renaissance has partially or totally denied claims incorrectly. A failure to send a provider a remittance advice or other written or electronic notice either partially or totally denying a claim within sixty (60) days of Renaissance's receipt of the claim is considered a claims denial.

There is a \$750.00 fee associated with an independent review request. If the independent reviewer decides in favor of the provider, the MCC is responsible for paying the fee.

Conversely, if the independent reviewer finds in favor of the MCC, the provider is responsible for reimbursing the MCC the amount of the fee.

The independent review process is only one option a provider has in order to resolve claim payment disputes with a TennCare MCC. In lieu of requesting independent review, a provider may pursue any available legal or contractual remedy to resolve the dispute.

Provider Appeal Process

A provider appeal is a request from the treating dentist to reconsider an adverse benefit determination. Provider appeals must be received within 60 calendar days of the service date.

To request an appeal, you must:

- Submit a written request to have the claim reviewed.
- Provide documentation that supports the reason you feel the claim should have been paid.

Upon receipt of a provider appeal, Renaissance will respond to the appeal request via EOB.

Provider Appeals can be sent to:

Renaissance Provider Appeals
ATTN: TennCare Appeals
P.O. Box 1505
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-1505

Appeal requests must include:

- The member's name, member ID number, and date of birth
- The provider's name and Renaissance provider billing number.
- The place, date, and type of service that had a non-certification determination for medical necessity appeals.
- The reason why the determination should be reconsidered.
- Any additional available medical information to support reasons for reversing the determination or support medical necessity.

All appeals are reviewed by an independent panel knowledgeable about the policy, legal, and clinical issues involved in the matter subject to the appeal; individuals who have not been involved in any previous consideration of the matter; and all information and material submitted by the provider that bears directly upon an issue involved in the matter is considered.

If disagreement exists with the determination on an appealed claim's EOB statement, request a peer-to-peer call with a Renaissance consulting dentist.

Peer-to-Peer Call Process

It is Renaissance's policy to provide a treating practitioner with the opportunity to have a peer-to-peer discussion with a licensed dentist peer reviewer about a claim submitted by the practitioner that was disapproved by Renaissance based on an adverse medical necessity or adverse clinical appropriateness decision.

Renaissance notifies practitioners about the opportunity for a peer-to-peer discussion with a licensed dentist peer reviewer in the explanation of benefits denial notifications of dental claims where adverse medical necessity or adverse clinical appropriateness decisions have been made. Peer-to-peer discussions are not available for claim denials based on client contract exclusions, limitations, benefit exhaustion, and other reasons not involving an adverse medical necessity or adverse clinical appropriateness determination.

The goal of peer-to-peer discussions is to provide the treating practitioner with a better understanding of the specific clinical basis for an adverse decision, to facilitate presentation of new or additional information and, if possible, to resolve the disagreement before pursuing other available avenues for resolution of the dispute. A peer-to-peer discussion is not considered part of the appeal process.

Renaissance's process for facilitating peer-to-peer discussions follows these steps:

- A practitioner may schedule a peer-to-peer discussion with a Renaissance licensed dentist peer reviewer by going to: tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com and following the instructions to submit a peer-to-peer request form. The instructions guide the practitioner to provide all the information needed for a productive discussion.
- A peer-to-peer call request must be sent within 30 days of the appealed denial notice.

Upon receipt of a request for a peer-to-peer call and all the information required for the discussion has been received:

- Renaissance staff will contact your office to schedule the call within a reasonable time period between the practitioner and a Renaissance licensed dentist peer reviewer. Peer-to-peer discussions will be limited to a duration of thirty minutes unless approved in advance by the Dental Director due to an atypical clinical situation.
- A practitioner may receive one peer-to-peer discussion per episode of treatment unless the practitioner has new, pertinent information that is applicable to a second conversation

The peer-to-peer call will be recorded Renaissance for quality purpose.

Arbitration Process

An arbitration process is available for claim disputes and other issues pertaining to the provider participation agreement. To initiate arbitration, please submit the request to:

Mail:

Renaissance
ATTN: Focused Review
P.O. Box 1600
Farmington Hills, MI 48333

Upon receipt of request, Renaissance will provide the arbitration documentation within 15 days.

Provider Grievance Process

A grievance is an expression of dissatisfaction (other than a claim denial) with any aspect of the operations, activities, or behavior of a TennCare Adult health plan, or its members, regardless of whether remedial action is requested. The provider must file the grievance in writing.

With each grievance, provide all supporting information that will aid in the review by Renaissance.

Renaissance adheres to all Tennessee state, federal and managed care requirements related to processing grievances. After receipt, appropriate Renaissance personnel:

- Document the substance of the grievance.
- Investigates the issue(s), including any aspect of clinical care.
- Compiles the findings
- May request patient treatment records and/or associated clinical documentation
- If applicable, works with the appropriate dental professional(s) to review and then.
- Obtains a resolution, after which;

- The appropriate persons are notified (including the member and provider) and the issues is maintained on file.

Renaissance provides grievance resolution with determination within 30 calendar days.

Grievances Submission Options

Mail to:

Renaissance Grievances
ATTN: TennCare Adult Grievances
P.O. Box 1505
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-1505

Section 14

Claim Submission

When to Submit a Claim?

Claims must be submitted to Renaissance when:

- Covered services are performed on a patient –
 - Services are completed on the date that all steps of a procedure are finished. Some procedures may require more than one appointment before completion. Treatment is complete:
 - For appliances, dentures and partial dentures—on the delivery date.
 - For root canals, oral surgery and periodontal treatment—on the date of the final procedure that completes treatment.
 - For direct restorative and indirect restoration on the day of completion and/or seat date.

Which claim form should be used?

The current version of the ADA claim form must be used for all covered services rendered to members, for procedures which a prior authorization or pre-payment review is required, requested, or when a charge is made. Each claim form may contain charges for only one patient.

How to fill out a claim

Renaissance requires specific information to be included with each claim. Failure to include that information may delay claim processing. The information on a claim must match the information in Renaissance's records or the claim will be rejected.

On the claim form, indicate whether the claim transaction is a statement of actual IFP services (include a date of service on all applicable lines), or a prior authorization.

All claims must include:

- Practice business name and address (billing dentist or dental entity).
- Tax identification number (billing dentist or dental entity).
- Treating dentist name.
- Treating dentist state license number.
- Treating dentist individual NPI – Type 1.
- NPI Type 2, if applicable.
- Service office address.
- Dentist's signature if a paper claim is submitted.
- Patient's first and last names (legal names; nicknames are not accepted and may cause claim processing delays).
- Patient's date of birth.
- Patient Social Security number
- The amount claimed through TennCare Adult for each specific service rendered
- Place of Treatment (Place of Service)

Each claim must properly document the treatment performed using the current ADA CDT procedure codes. All CDT codes have a procedure name (nomenclature), and many have a description of the procedure that helps identify the correct code for documentation.

Depending on the procedure, identification of where in the oral cavity the service was performed, e.g., arch, quadrant, tooth, and/or surface, is necessary. Failure to identify the location of a procedure when it is required, may result in a claim being rejected.

Renaissance accepts arch and quadrant numerical designations of 01 through 40, left and right designations, and other areas of the oral cavity as shown below.

Area of Oral Cavity Codes									
Maxillary Arch	Mandibular Arch	Upper Right Quadrant	Upper Left Quadrant	Lower Left Quadrant	Lower Right Quadrant	Left	Right	Entire Oral Cavity	Other Area of Oral Cavity
Code									
01	02	10	20	30	40	L	R	00	09

Renaissance accepts the ADA’s universal/national tooth designation system, which designates tooth numbers one through 32 for the permanent dentition, and tooth letters A through T for the primary dentition. The ADA system designates supernumerary teeth by the numbers 51 through 82. The tooth designations are shown below.

	Upper Right Quadrant								Upper Left Quadrant							
Permanent Tooth Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Permanent Supernumerary Tooth Number	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66
Permanent Tooth Number	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17
Permanent Supernumerary Tooth Number	82	81	80	79	78	77	76	75	74	73	72	71	70	69	68	67
	Lower Right Quadrant								Lower Left Quadrant							

	Upper Right Quadrant					Upper Left Quadrant				
Primary Tooth Number	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Primary Supernumerary Tooth Number	AS	BS	CS	DS	ES	FS	GS	HS	IS	JS
Primary Tooth Number	T	S	R	Q	P	O	N	M	L	K
Primary Supernumerary Tooth Number	TS	SS	RS	QS	PS	OS	NS	MS	LS	KS
	Lower Right Quadrant					Lower Left Quadrant				

Renaissance recommends keeping an updated version of the CDT code for reference. The procedure code list changes annually and using an outdated code may delay claims processing.

When submitting claims to Renaissance, please avoid writing any information in the remarks section of the claim form unless there is a documentation requirement for the procedure that is submitted. Since many procedures do not require manual review, placing an unnecessary remark on a claim may slow claim processing, resulting in delay. If there is a documentation requirement for a procedure that is being submitted, only attach a separate report if there is not enough space in the remarks section to provide complete information, or if there is a requirement for documentation that cannot be submitted in a remark, such a radiograph image.

Place of Service

As required, identify the place of service where the submitted procedure(s) was performed. The codes identified below should be entered on line 38 of the ADA claim form.

- 02 - Telehealth
- 03 - School
- 04 - Homeless Shelter
- 05 - Free Standing Indian Health Service
- 06 - Provider-based location
- 07 - Free Standing Tribal Center
- 08 - Provider-based location
- 09 - Correctional Facility
- 11 - Dental Office
- 12 - Patient Home
- 13 - Assisted Living Center
- 14 - Group Home
- 15 - Mobile Unit
- 19 - Off Campus Outpatient Hospital
- 21 - Inpatient Hospital
- 22 - On Campus Outpatient Hospital
- 24 - Ambulatory Surgical Center
- 50 - Federally Qualified Health Care Center
- 71 - Public Health Clinic

How to submit a radiograph or other information with a claim?

Renaissance accepts electronic attachments through National Electronic Attachments (NEA). The attachment must be sent with an electronic claim filed either through DOT or an electronic clearinghouse. If the provider receives a request for additional information from Renaissance, submit an electronic attachment through NEA with the applicable claim number. A new claim does not need to be submitted as long as the NEA is submitted with the original claim number. For best results, submitting the information request will speed up the processing.

Information on additional clearinghouses can be found at tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com

Paper claims should not be stapled to any attachments, and only include attachments required to process the claim. Including unnecessary attachments may delay the claim processing.

When hard copy radiographs must be included with a dental claim, remember these tips for more efficient processing:

- Send mounted duplicates only; do not send originals.
- Use the patient's legal name on all claims and related radiographs (do not use a nickname). Also, be sure to label each radiographic image with the date it was exposed, left and right, and/or the tooth and/or teeth exposed. These requirements are important for electronic attachments as well.
- Renaissance will not return radiographs unless submitted with a self-addressed, stamped envelope large enough for all the radiographs to fit. Multiple radiographs for different members require a stamped, self-addressed envelope for each patient.

- Do not attach radiographs to the back of the claim. These can be easily missed.
- Avoid double-sided paper radiographs, as this can delay claim processing.

How to submit claims?

Submitting claims electronically can reduce processing time and is more cost-efficient. Claims may be submitted electronically through a clearinghouse or through the Dental Office Toolkit (DOT). To access DOT, visit <http://www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com/>.

If unable to submit claims electronically, paper claims may be mailed to:

Renaissance

ATTN: TennCare Adult Claims

Renaissance Claims

P.O. Box 2720

Farmington Hills, MI 48333-2720

Please call the customer service team at 866-864-2526 for member eligibility, benefits information, and claims inquiries.

What About Dental Practices with More Than One Dentist?

It is important to notify Renaissance when an associate, partner or temporary dentist is hired. The claims processing system will be updated to associate the treating dentist to the billing entity or corporation so that claims are processed appropriately. There may be instances where the practice owner may be participating with Renaissance, but the associate is not participating. Since reimbursement rates differ for participating (in-network) providers versus nonparticipating (out-of-network) providers, this can cause confusion for both the practice-billing administrator and the patient. Claims can be processed and paid differently for nonparticipating providers, ultimately affecting the patient's financial responsibility.

Recent versions of the ADA claim form provide clearly identifiable areas to report the billing entity and treating provider information. It is very important that dental offices report accurate treating provider information on the claim form.

Make sure to also provide the appropriate NPI number on the claim form:

- Type 1 NPI – Individual NPI – for health care providers, such as dentists.
- Type 2 NPI – Organizational NPI – for use by incorporated businesses, such as group practices, incorporated individuals and clinics.

Is There a Deadline for Submitting a Claim?

Yes. Dentists participating in the Renaissance Tennessee TennCare Adult Network must submit claims for services within 120 calendar days after the service is provided. If Renaissance denies a service(s) on a claim due to late submission, participating dentists are prohibited from billing members for the amount that Renaissance would have paid.

What to do if asked for more information after submitting a claim?

Log in to DOT to view claims history for all submitted claims and PAs, and view the activity log for claim payment information, direct deposits, denied claims, and information requests. Register and log in to DOT at <http://www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com/>.

Section 15

Reimbursement for Services Provided to a TennCare Adult Patient

- How is reimbursement determined for services provided to TennCare Adult members?
 - Reimbursement to dentists participating in the Renaissance TennCare Adult Network is based on the current applicable Renaissance TennCare Adult fee schedule. Eligible members can receive treatment from any dentist participating in the Renaissance TennCare Adult Network. The participating dentists cannot balance bill the member for any difference between regular fees and the amount in the current applicable State of Tennessee TennCare Adult fee schedule.
 - All covered services for eligible members are reimbursed at 100 percent of the dentist's submitted fee or the amount in the Renaissance TennCare Adult fee schedule, whichever is less. Unless noted in the fee schedule, all of Renaissance's standard time limitations and policies apply to the covered services.
- How to read Renaissance's Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statement?

Renaissance provides notification of favorable and adverse utilization management decisions to practitioners through electronic or hard copy explanation of benefits statements in compliance with federal and state requirements, client requirements, and applicable accreditation standards. For all adverse UM decisions where Renaissance disapproves benefit payment for a dental service or procedure based on a professional determination that a dental procedure is not medically necessary or is clinically inappropriate, explanation of benefit denial notifications will include:

 - Identification of dental services or procedures that were submitted for benefit payment which were either approved or disapproved.
 - A message that explains the clinical basis for the adverse UM decision that is specific to the member's dental condition, is written in language that a layperson can understand and that provides the member and practitioner with enough information to file an appeal if so desired.
 - A reference to the specific clinical criteria that was used to make the adverse UM decision that includes the name and source of the criteria.
 - Notification that the criteria used to make the adverse UM decision is available at no charge upon request.
- Can claim payment be received through direct deposit?
 - Yes. If enrolled in direct deposit, Renaissance sends claim payments electronically to the designated bank account and issues an explanation of payment in either paper or electronic format. Payments are often in a dentist's bank account in as little as 48 hours after claim submission. Direct deposit is a free service only available to participating dentists.
 - If the provider wants to enroll in National EFT, log in to DOT and follow the direct deposit link. If the provider is not currently a DOT user, complete a short registration to set up the account. Direct deposit account activation will typically take seven days from registration.
- What happens if a TennCare Adult patient has other dental insurance?
 - Federal regulations require that if a TennCare Adult Member has another source of coverage, such as private dental insurance, the other source of coverage must pay claims under its policy before TennCare Adult can pay. As a dentist participating in the Renaissance Tennessee TennCare Adult Network, be alert to the possibility that a TennCare Adult member may have other dental insurance. If that is the case, claims must be submitted and payment received from the primary

payer before submitting secondary payer claims to Renaissance. When submitting these secondary claims to Renaissance, make sure that a copy of the primary payer EOB statement showing the primary payment is included.

Renaissance pays the difference between the amounts paid by the patient's other dental carrier and the maximum allowed amount. Renaissance will not make any payment if the amount received from the patient's other dental carrier is equal to or greater than the maximum allowed amount. In that case, Renaissance may not pay anything after the patient's other dental carrier pays, and the provider may not bill or collect from the TennCare Adult patient.

- What if a TennCare Adult patient has a prior authorization from a previous carrier?
If the member previously received TennCare Adult dental benefits from another TennCare Adult dental plan, Renaissance will honor a new member's previous care authorizations for per the Transition of Care policy. The member should call customer service at 866-864-2526 (TTY users dial 711) and reference the Transition of Care policy for additional assistance.

Reimbursement for Services Not Covered by Tennessee TennCare Adult Programs

- Can payment be received if a service is performed that is not on the Renaissance TennCare Adult fee schedule? Yes, but the process below must be followed, otherwise the patient must not be billed:
 - If a procedure does not appear on Renaissance's TennCare Children's fee schedule or exceeds an age or frequency limitation, it is not a covered benefit under the program. Payment for non-covered services is the responsibility of the member or responsible party.
- However, the fee must be discussed with TennCare Adult members or responsible parties in advance, and treatment should only be rendered if they sign a private-pay agreement where the patient agrees, in writing, to pay for non-covered (or alternate) procedures. Participating dentists can use any form for the private-pay agreement, as long as it includes the fees associated with the non-covered service, the responsible person's signature and date. Keep the signed private-pay agreement in the patient's file and be ready to share a copy of it with Renaissance if requested. Download a private pay form from Renaissance at: tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com.
 - The patient's and/or responsible party's approval to proceed with treatment via the private-pay agreement should be included in the patient record. Due to federal Medicaid requirements, covered services that are denied by Renaissance (for example, a procedure that exceeds a frequency limitation or is deemed to be not medically necessary) **cannot** be charged to a TennCare Adult patient or responsible party unless the person has agreed to pay for the service.

Overpayment Recovery

If Renaissance makes an overpayment on a claim, a participating dentist has two options for reimbursement:

1. Voluntary Reimbursement - Within sixty (60) days of the dentist discovering that that a claim has been overpaid, the provider can document the amount and reason for the overpayment on the claim payment statement and mail it with a check for the exact amount of the overpayment to:
Renaissance
ATTN: Accounting
P.O Box 30416
Lansing, Mi 48909-7916
2. Refunding by Auto Deduction - If Renaissance makes an overpayment to a participating dentist and the dentist does not promptly send an explanation and refund back to Renaissance, the overpayment is generally recovered by automatic deduction in one of the following ways:

- a. Deduction from new payments - The amount of the overpayment is deducted from checks as issued to that dentist until the full amount is recovered. Adjustment explanation and tracking information is included on the EOB
- b. Transferring a previous payment - When an EOB is received that includes an auto deduction, look up that patient's account to confirm the date and amount of Renaissance's overpayment. Add the amount of the overpayment recovery back into the patient's account so that the two transactions (overpayment and recovery) total \$0.
- c. Identifying the right process for the office - If the office is not familiar with the overpayment process, Renaissance recommends contacting an accountant and/or dental practice software vendor for instructions. The auto deduction can be recorded as a negative payment or an adjustment, depending on the accounting system. When this step is complete, bookkeeping records indicate that the office received a payment that has not been applied to a specific account.

The EOB lists the claims and amounts that Renaissance paid with the auto deduction. Since payment was not received for the claims, the method of crediting the patient account(s) must balance with the method used for the auto deduction. This method depends on the accounting system.

Section 16

Utilization Management (UM)

Relevant Information Pertaining to the Utilization Management Activities Provided by Renaissance

UM Definition

The Renaissance utilization management (UM) program encompasses the activities involved in the governance of dental utilization review (UR) to ensure the appropriate and efficient evaluation of claims while promoting high quality care. In this context, utilization review refers to the activities of licensed dentist peer reviewers who assess the medical necessity or clinical appropriateness of a dental service or procedure. UM decisions may be favorable or adverse.

Oversight of Utilization Management Program and Staff

The UM Program is maintained under the management of the Dental Director in collaboration with the TennCare Chief Dental Officer. The Dental Director is fully involved in the implementation, supervision, oversight, and evaluation of the UM Program including, but not limited to, utilization review activities. The requirements of the UM Plan are enforced on a day-to-day basis by the Utilization Management Director. The UM Director oversees and manages all aspects of utilization review by Renaissance's licensed dentist peer reviewers, including the appropriate application of clinical criteria, use of relevant clinical documentation, and the assignment of appropriate professionals.

Renaissance's panel of licensed dentist peer reviewers includes general dentists and specialists who only adjudicate claims for services for which they have the appropriate experience or training. They may also advise or assist other UM staff as required.

Unlicensed dental claim review staff do not have authority to deny coverage based on an adverse medical necessity or clinical appropriateness determination. However, if appropriately trained and supervised, they may approve dental services through the application of explicit, pre-established UM decision criteria that do not require clinical judgment.

Renaissance does not offer financial or other forms of compensation to encourage peer reviewers to render adverse UR determinations.

Scope of the Utilization Management Program

As defined in the UM Plan and as governed by the UM Committee, the scope of UM activities includes the review of services requiring prior authorization, prepayment post-service (retrospective) dental claims, reconsiderations, and appeals of adverse utilization review determinations.

Utilization Review includes assessment of dental services to determine if they are:

- Medically necessary and/or clinically appropriate
- Consistent with the applicable generally accepted standards of dental practice (clinical criteria)
- Not provided primarily for the convenience of the member or dental practitioner

Factors considered in the claim review process include, but may not be limited to:

- Guidelines and criteria of the TennCare Dental Plan
- Applicable clinical criteria based on the generally accepted standards of dentistry
- Individual needs and circumstances of the patient
- The local delivery system

UM determinations are made on a case-by-case basis and documented in Renaissance's claim processing system for future reference. Members and practitioners are informed of the UM decisions through an online or hardcopy explanation of benefits (EOB).

Purpose

The primary function of the UM Program is to ensure that TennCare Adult members have access to dental care that is medically necessary, clinically appropriate, of acceptable quality, consistent with the diagnosis and required level of care, and performed within generally accepted standards of dental practice while providing members and practitioners with clear information on adverse medical necessity or clinical appropriateness determinations and the options should they disagree, including patient appeal rights and the availability of communication services for questions related to the UM process and provider peer-to-peer calls when a negative UM determination has been made.

Clinical Criteria

It is Renaissance's policy to develop and adopt objective and evidence-based written clinical criteria to be applied as guidelines by professional peer reviewers in the adjudication process. To remain consistent with current clinical evidence, these criteria are reviewed and updated as necessary, which occurs at a minimum on an annual basis.

The provision of dental advice and the clinical treatment of members is the sole responsibility of the dentist involved, and the Renaissance criteria are not intended to restrict a dentist from carrying out that responsibility. It is recognized that there may be atypical situations where a patient's clinical condition and specific needs do not coincide with traditional treatment modalities. In those cases, documentation of unusual circumstances can be submitted for a case-by-case review to determine if an exception is warranted.

Availability of Clinical Criteria

Clinical criteria are made available to practitioners through an open-access Renaissance web site found at: [Renaissance - Clinical Criteria](#)

General Policies and Guidelines

Dentists participating in the Renaissance Tennessee TennCare Adult network are responsible for:

- Providing Renaissance TennCare Adult members with the same quality of clinical and non-clinical services provided to members who are not in the program, including referrals to appropriate specialists (within the Renaissance TennCare Adult network) when needed
- The development of an appropriate treatment plan consistent with the exam and diagnostic evidence
- Obtaining appropriate consent from the Member or appropriate parent or guardian prior to the provision of services
- Obtaining the appropriate authorization where necessary prior to the provision of services
- Submitting the required materials in support of pre-payment, post-service claims

Additional Policies and Guidelines

- Benefit payment for procedures determined not to be medically necessary or not meeting generally accepted standards of dental practice are not collectable from a patient by a participating dentist
- Dentists should not only consider the clinical condition of the teeth/oral structures involved, but the likely prognosis and chance of success before providing dental services (e.g., restorative services on teeth with poor periodontal support). Benefits for services on teeth with a poor prognosis are not collectable from the patient from a participating provider
- Procedures determined to have been performed solely for cosmetic change are not benefits of the TennCare Adult and may be charged to a patient only if a private-pay agreement is obtained
- Charges made for unbundled procedures are not collectable from a patient by a participating dentist
- Unless extraordinary circumstances are validated, applicable time, frequency and other limitations on benefit payment for specific services are established by the client dental plan contract

Quality Assurance

If there is evidence of a provider departure from the generally accepted standards of care or appropriate claims submission protocol, the Renaissance response is based on the degree of deviation. Verification of a minor deficiency may result in a Renaissance service contact to identify and mitigate the root cause of the problem, whereas, if there is evidence of a serious departure from applicable law, regulations, and/or accepted standards of practice, which could result in harm to a patient, the case may be referred to the appropriate authorities of government agency. **Renaissance shall monitor the quality of services delivered and initiate corrective action where necessary to improve quality of care, in accordance with that level of dental care which is recognized as generally acceptable dental principles and/or the standards established by TennCare.**

Section 17

Fraud, Waste, and Abuse

What is Fraud, Waste, and Abuse?

Government-funded health care programs include an important element of fraud, waste, and abuse (FWA) prevention. The cooperation of dentists participating in the Renaissance TennCare Adult network is a critical component in FWA prevention and reporting. The involvement of the provider and staff is a key factor in making sure that health care resources are appropriately directed to those who need the services.

- **Fraud** is the act of intentional misrepresentation of information for financial gain.
 - Example: Submitting false claims for dental services (e.g., filing claims for services that were not provided or for more complicated services than those that were provided).
- **Waste** is the act of extravagant, careless, or needless expenditure of health care benefits or services that result from deficient practices or decisions.
 - Example: Overutilization of services or misuse of resources.
- **Abuse**, in the context of this program, is the act of providing products or services that are inconsistent with accepted practices or that are clearly not reasonable or necessary.
 - Example: Billing for a non-covered service.

What is Renaissance Required to do?

Renaissance maintains a program integrity plan for continuous monitoring of potential FWA activity. Renaissance monitors and audits the activities of its dentists, members, employees, and vendors. Dentist activities that may be monitored and audited include, but are not limited to, both contract and regulatory compliance requirements. Renaissance may periodically request the completion of a questionnaire, submission of documentation, and/or attestation to applicable policy, procedure, and/or compliance requirements.

Renaissance may also perform in-office or desk audits, which may include the inspection of the facilities, systems, books, procedures, and/or records related to services provided. Disciplinary actions could result from these monitoring activities including, but not limited to, payment recoupment, education, corrective action plans, and/or contract termination. A corrective action plan is the written plan agreed upon between Renaissance and a participating dentist to correct any identified problem or meet acceptable levels of performance measures.

Examples of Fraud and/or Abuse include, but are not limited to:

- Billing for a service not performed.
- Keeping overpayments.
- Billing for a non-covered service as a covered service.
- Misrepresenting dates of service, diagnosis or procedures performed.
- Misrepresenting the location of a service.
- Misrepresenting the provider of a dental service.
- Billing twice for the same service.
- Billing for inappropriate or unnecessary services.
- Reporting a higher level of dental service than was performed.
- Falsifying patient names or other personally identifiable information to obtain payment for services.
- Deliberately failing to report the existence of additional dental benefits coverage and billing two or more carriers for the full amount.
- Taking kickbacks or bribes.
- Lying about education degrees and licenses.
- Misrepresenting oneself as another person to obtain dental benefits.

What to do with Suspected Fraud, Waste, or Abuse?

Renaissance has an FWA plan that complies with state and federal law. Renaissance is committed to identifying, investigating, sanctioning, and prosecuting suspected FWA. If the provider suspects that a person who receives benefits, or that a dentist (or other health care provider) has committed FWA, the provider has the right and responsibility as a participating dentist to report it. All reports will remain confidential. Report any member, dentist, or other health care provider suspected of FWA by:

- Calling Renaissance anti-fraud hotline at {1-800-971-4139}.
- Completing and submitting the Fraud or Abuse Complaint Form which can be found at tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com
- Calling the TennCare Fraud Hotline at 1-833-687-9611.
- Calling the Member Fraud Hotline at 1-800-433-3982.

To report fraud, waste, or abuse, please provide a detailed account of the incident or service(s) by gathering as much information as possible.

When reporting about a health care provider, include the:

- Name, address, and phone number of the provider.
- Name and address of the facility (office, hospital, nursing home, home health agency, etc.).
- Government program identification number of the provider and facility (if available).
- Type of provider (physician, dentist, therapist, pharmacist, etc.).
- Names and phone numbers of other witnesses who can help in the investigation.
- Dates of events.
- Summary of what happened.
- If applicable and available, patient examples.

When reporting about someone who receives benefits, include:

- The person's name.
- The person's date of birth, Social Security number or case number (if available).

- The city where the person lives.
- Specific details about the fraud, waste, or abuse.

Annual Required Fraud, Waste and Abuse Prevention Training

Dentists participating in the Renaissance TennCare Adult Tennessee network are required to annually complete a training module on FWA prevention and detection, which is required by U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regulations. This module is combined with a training module on cultural competency. Once the training modules are completed, dentists need to confirm completion of the training by downloading and filling out a cultural competency and FWA training acknowledgment form. The training modules and form can be accessed through Renaissance’s online annual provider training web page at:

www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com.

Anti-Fraud Laws

In accordance with the federal Deficit Reduction Act (DRA), entities like Renaissance that receive or make payments totaling at least \$5 million annually must comply with the Employee Education about False Claims Recovery requirements of the DRA. This means that, as a contractor doing business with Renaissance, Dental Practices and staff have the same obligation to report any actual or suspected violation of TennCare Adult funds either by fraud, waste, or abuse.

Dental Practices must have written policies that inform and educate staff, contractors, and agents about the following:

- The federal False Claims Act and state laws related to submitting false claims.
- How to detect and prevent FWA in the office.
- Employee protection rights as a whistleblower, that is, someone who reports instances of FWA to the government.

Pursuant to the federal False Claims Act (31 USC §§ 3729-3733), civil penalties and damages may be brought against anyone who:

- Knowingly submits, or causes another to submit, a false or fraudulent claim for payment.
- Knowingly makes, or causes to be made, a false statement or record in connection with a claim for payment.
- Knowingly retains an overpayment.

The False Claims Act defines “knowingly” to mean that a person has actual knowledge of information, acts in deliberate ignorance of the truth or falsity of the information, or acts in a reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the information. No proof of specific intent to defraud is required.

The federal Fraud Civil Remedies Act (31 USC § 3802-3811) provides administrative remedies for false claims and false statements in connection with claims designated to federal agencies, including the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Furthermore, it is unlawful to knowingly:

- Make, or cause to be made, a false or misleading statement or representation for use in obtaining reimbursement from the TennCare Adult program.
- Alter, falsify, destroy, conceal, or remove any records that are necessary to fully disclose the nature of all goods or services for which a claim was submitted, or for which reimbursement was received from the TennCare Adult program.
- Solicit, offer, or receive any remuneration, other than any authorized cost-sharing expenses including, but

not limited to, a kickback or rebate, in connection with the furnishing of goods or services for which whole or partial reimbursement is or may be made under the TennCare Adult program.

- Additional details about these laws, and Renaissance’s policies and procedures for complying with the same, can be found in Renaissance’s anti-fraud laws policy, which are available upon request or online at: tenncare.renaissancebenefits.com.

Compliance with Policies and Procedures

Renaissance requires participating providers to comply with all state and federal laws relating to TennCare Adult providers, as well as the Renaissance policies and procedures distributed and made available for reference. These policies and procedures include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Anti-fraud laws policy.
- Renaissance’s code of conduct.
- Renaissance program integrity plan.
- Other relevant Renaissance policies and procedures.

Participating providers agree to provide, upon request, immediate access to records, books, and other documents as necessary for audits to Renaissance, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), TennCare and other state and/or federal governmental agencies with appropriate jurisdiction in connection with any activity involving the prevention, detection, or reporting of fraud, waste, abuse, and/or overpayments.

Section 18

Glossary – Key Terms and Definitions

This glossary includes definitions of terms found within this guide that are commonly used within dental benefit plans and publicly funded dental programs. Knowing what these terms mean will help to better understand the TennCare Adult program administered by Renaissance.

Adverse benefit determination - A decision made by Renaissance to deny, reduce, terminate, refuse to provide, or refuse to pay dental benefits for which an individual filed a claim. An adverse benefit determination may be issued based on an adverse benefit decision, an adverse utilization management (UM) decision, or other reason(s). An adverse benefit determination affecting TennCare Dental Program Services or benefits (as defined in 42 C.F.R. § 438.400) shall mean, but it is not limited to, a delay, denial, reduction, suspension, or termination of TennCare Dental Program dental benefits, as well as any other act or omission of the TennCare Dental Program which impairs the quality, timeliness, or availability of such benefits. **See TennCare Rule 1200-13-13-.01 and TennCare Rule 1200-13-14-.01**

Appeal - A request to change an adverse benefit determination issued by Renaissance on an adjudicated claim. A member or authorized member representative, such as a provider (with written permission of the member), may file an appeal if they do not agree with a coverage or payment decision made. The appeal process shall be governed by Federal law at 42 C.F.R. § 438.100 et seq. TennCare Dental Program rules, regulations and any and all applicable court orders and consent decrees. **See TennCare Rule 1200-13-13-.01 and TennCare Rule 1200-13-14-.01**

An appeal can be filed if Renaissance:

- Denies a request for:
 - A dental service
 - A dental appliance, device or prosthetic
- Reduces, limits or denies coverage of:
 - A dental service
 - A dental appliance, device or prosthetic
- Stop providing or paying for all or part of:
 - A dental service
 - A dental appliance, device or prosthetic
- Does not provide timely dental administrative services

Benefits – Shall mean the health care package of services developed by the Bureau of TennCare Dental Programs and which define the covered services available to the TennCare Dental Program members. The Agreement focuses on Dental benefits although benefits provided by the Member's MCO are sometimes mentioned. **See TennCare Rule 1200-13-13-.01 and TennCare Rule 1200-13-14-.01**

Claim - A request for payment under a dental benefit plan; a statement listing services rendered with the dates of services and itemization of costs. The completed request serves as the basis for payment of benefits.

Copayment - An amount that a person covered under a dental plan is required to pay as the member's share of the cost for a dental service or supply.

Covered service(s) – The unique dental services and procedures reimbursable under plan or policy, as described in the contract between a dental plan sponsor and a dental plan administrator, which are subject to defined limitations (e.g., frequency and age limitations). **See also TennCare Rule 1200-13-13-.01 and TennCare Rule 1200-13-14-.01**

Date of Service (DOS) - The date that a service or services are rendered to a member.

Denial - An adverse benefit decision (exclusions and limitations) or adverse utilization management (UM) decision made by Renaissance not to provide benefit coverage for a dental service or procedure for which an individual submitted a claim.

Dental Benefits Manager (DBM) – Dental Benefits Manager shall mean a contractor approved by the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration to provide dental benefits to members in the TennCare Dental Programs to the extent such services are covered by TennCare. **See TennCare Rule 1200-13-13-.01 and TennCare Rule 1200-13- 14-.01**

Dental Office Toolkit® (DOT) - Renaissance’s free, HIPAA-compliant online portal that allows providers to sign in and confirm eligibility, check the status of claims, and more. This can be accessed at <https://www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com>.

Dental Practice - Includes one or more dentists who have a contractual agreement with Renaissance to participate in the TennCare Adult Network.

Diagnosis - A process carried out by a practitioner to identify a patient's dysfunction (e.g., disease, disorder, condition) toward which the diagnosing provider, or another provider, directs treatment.

Eligibility - To be eligible for TennCare Adult, one must be a resident of the state of Tennessee, a U.S. national, citizen, permanent resident, or legal alien, in need of health care insurance assistance, whose financial situation would be characterized as low income or very low income.

Emergency Dental Care - Unscheduled dental services necessary to treat a condition in the mouth or face that occurs suddenly and requires immediate care in the dental office or emergency room, such as uncontrolled bleeding, severe spreading infection, severe debilitating pain or severe traumatic injury to the mouth or face. **See TennCare Rule 1200-13-13-.01 and TennCare Rule 1200-13-14-.01**

Explanation of Benefits (EOB) - A notice sent detailing benefit coverage provided by the dental plan for dental services and procedures rendered. An EOB communicating an adverse benefit determination may also be referred to as a denial notice or denial notification.

Fee schedule - A listing of fees to pay providers for services rendered. As a participating provider, payment in full is the lesser of the applicable Renaissance TennCare Adult Network fee schedule or the fee submitted for covered services rendered.

Generally accepted standards of dental practice - Refers to rules or requirements for clinical practice that are commonly accepted as correct, i.e., they are regarded by the dental profession as generally accepted principles of patient management that establish norms for the reasonable and prudent dental health care

practitioner. Standards of practice must be based on credible scientific evidence published in peer-reviewed medical or dental literature generally recognized by the relevant professional community, considering professional organization recommendations, expert opinions of health care providers practicing in the relevant clinical areas, and any other relevant factors.

Grievance - An expression of dissatisfaction from or on behalf of a member or dental service provider about any action taken by Renaissance or a dental service provider other than an adverse benefit determination. Grievances may include, but are not limited to, expressions of dissatisfaction about the quality of care or services provided, aspects of interpersonal relationships such as rudeness of a dental service provider or employee, or failure to respect the members' rights, regardless of whether remedial action is requested. "Grievance" is synonymous with "complaint". The federal regulations have different requirements depending on whether the issue-at-hand involves (1) the enrollee's dispute of a DBM-proposed "adverse benefit determination" (appeal/request for State fair hearing) or (2) enrollee's expression of dissatisfaction with some aspect of the TennCare program, such as poor customer service from the provider's office (grievance/request to document enrollee's expression of dissatisfaction with the DBM, and attendant documentation by DBM of how the enrollee's grievance was handled by the internal DBM grievance process).

Medicaid - The federal medical assistance program that is described in Title XIX of the Social Security Act. Medicaid is administered at the state level and is income or resource based.

TennCare Adult – See: <https://www.tn.gov/tenncare>

Medical Necessity - Medically Necessary - Is defined by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-144, and shall describe a medical item or service that meets the criteria set forth in that statute. The term "medically necessary," as defined by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-144, applies to TennCare enrollees. Implementation of the term "medically necessary" is provided for in these rules, consistent with the statutory provisions, which control in case of ambiguity. No enrollee shall be entitled to receive and TennCare shall not be required to pay for any items or services that fail fully to satisfy all criteria of "medically necessary" items or services, as defined either in the statute or in the TennCare Medical Necessity rule chapter at 1200-13-16.

To be medically necessary, a medical item or service must satisfy each of the following criteria: (a) It must be recommended by a licensed physician who is treating the enrollee or other licensed healthcare provider practicing within the scope of his or her license who is treating the enrollee; (b) It must be required in order to diagnose or treat an enrollee's medical condition; (c) It must be safe and effective; (d) It must not be experimental or investigational; and (e) It must be the least costly alternative course of diagnosis or treatment that is adequate for the enrollee's medical condition.

Determination of medical necessity is based on specific criteria and:

- Relate to diagnostic, preventive, curative, palliative, rehabilitative or ameliorative treatment of an illness, injury, disability, or health condition.
- Are consistent with currently accepted standards of good dental practice, including defined criteria.
- Are the most cost-efficient service that can be provided without sacrificing effectiveness or access to care.
- Are not primarily for the convenience of the patient, family, or dental service provider.

Member - A person in the TennCare Adult dental plan administered by Renaissance. Also referred to as a patient.

Member shall mean an individual eligible for and enrolled in the TennCare Program or in any Tennessee federal Medicaid waiver program approved by the Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human

Services pursuant to Sections 1115 or 1915 of the Social Security Act. **See TennCare Rule 1200-13-13-.01 and TennCare Rule 1200-13-14-.01**

National Provider Identifier (NPI) - A 10-digit number required by law for health care providers and organizations. There are two types:

- Type 1: Individual NPI – for health care providers, such as dentists.
- Type 2: Organizational NPI – for use by incorporated businesses, such as group practices, incorporated individuals and clinics.

National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) - An independent 501c3 nonprofit organization in the United States that works to improve health care quality through the administration of evidence-based standards, measures, programs, and accreditation.

National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES): The National Plan and Provider Enumeration System assigns unique identifiers to healthcare providers and organizations to ensure efficient and accurate data exchange within the U.S. healthcare system.

Network - All participating providers who have a contract with Renaissance for the delivery of dental services to members who are enrolled in a dental plan administered by Renaissance. Participation in Renaissance's TennCare Adults Network is necessary to render services to members.

Participation Agreement - The document that defines the contractual rights and obligations between a provider and Renaissance for participation in the Renaissance network(s).

Participating Dentist - A dentist who has an agreement with Renaissance to participate in a Renaissance network.

Policies and Procedures (Operational) - A formal documented process adopted by the organization that describes the course of actions the organization will follow and the methods that will be carried out to achieve the policy objectives.

Post-Service Claim - Post-service claims arise when a member receives a dental service or procedure before filing the claim. Post-service claims may require a benefit decision (post-service benefit claim) or a Utilization Management (UM) decision (post-service UM claim). May also be referred to as a post- service request.

Post-Service Claim Appeal - An appeal of an adverse benefit determination that was issued on a post-service claim.

Pre-Payment Review (PPR) – A review of a claim and appropriate clinical documentation prior to reimbursement for service and therefore requiring the submission of supporting documentation when the claim is submitted.

Prior authorization (PA) - An assessment of a preservice claim to determine whether a proposed dental service or procedure is medically necessary or clinically appropriate for a particular patient. When prior authorization is required by a member's dental plan, post-service benefit payment for a service or procedure is conditioned on preservice prior authorization approval, as well as coverage by the member's dental plan. May also be referred to as a *prior approval* or *prior certification*.

Procedure (Clinical) - A planned process rendered by a practitioner or an individual working under the

supervision of a practitioner that has the objective of contributing to a desired health effect through evaluation, prevention, or treatment of an oral or maxillofacial injury, illness, condition, or disease.

Processing Policies - Renaissance's policies and guidelines used in the adjudication of prior authorizations and in-for-payment claims.

Protected Health Information (PHI) - Individually identifiable health information that is transmitted or maintained in any form or medium (electronic, oral, or paper) by a covered entity or its business associates, excluding certain educational and employment records.

Service (Clinical) - Any activity provided by a practitioner, or an individual working under the supervision of a practitioner, that relates to the evaluation, prevention, or treatment of an oral or maxillofacial injury, illness, condition, or disease.

Specialist - Refers to practitioners who limit their practice to specific services, including endodontics (root canal treatment), orthodontics (braces), pediatric dentistry (dentistry for children), periodontics (gum treatment), prosthodontics (bridges and dentures), and oral surgery.

Submitted Amount - The amount billed for a specific dental service or procedure.

TennCare Adults Program – The Tennessee state sponsored benefits program for adults which includes the 3 following TennCare programs: Adults DBM, 1915(c), and ECF Choices. The program administrated by the Single State agency as designated by the State and CMS pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act and the Section 1115 Research and Demonstration waiver granted to the State of Tennessee. **See TennCare Rule 1200-13-13-.01 and TennCare Rule 1200-13-14-.01**

Treatment - The provision of dental items or services based on the recommendation of a treating health care provider practicing within the scope of a dental license.

Urgent Preservice Claim - A preservice claim where the application of the standard time periods for making a nonurgent benefit decision or nonurgent UM decision could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the member or the member's ability to regain maximum function, and/or subject the member to severe pain.

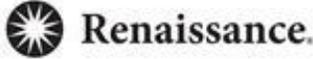
Urgent Care - Unscheduled dental services necessary to treat a sudden or ongoing problem in the mouth or face that is not severe enough to require immediate care in the emergency room or dental office but should be treated within a couple of days, such as minor to moderate dental pain, minor localized swelling, or a broken or lost tooth. Urgent dental care procedures are provided to control pain, treat infections, and provide treatment to prevent a visit to the emergency room or a dental problem from causing permanent damage to a patient's oral health, such as tooth loss.

Utilization Management (UM), UM Decision and UM Notification - A system of policies and procedures for evaluating and determining medical necessity, clinical appropriateness, and coverage for dental care services and procedures, as well as providing needed assistance to practitioners or members, in cooperation with other parties, to ensure the appropriate and efficient allocation of dental health care resources. Once the decision is made to provide benefit coverage for a dental service or procedure submitted on a claim, an electronic or written notice of the UM decision is sent to Renaissance members and practitioners in the form of an explanation of benefits statement. The UM decision may be favorable in providing benefit coverage to a member, or adverse in not providing benefit coverage. An adverse UM decision notification may be referred to as a notice of adverse benefit determination (NABD) or denial notice.

Utilization Review (UR) - Review by a licensed dentist peer reviewer performed to assess the medical necessity or clinical appropriateness of a dental service or procedure for the purpose of making a utilization management decision to determine benefit coverage.

Section 19

Forms



HEADER INFORMATION				CARRIER NAME AND ADDRESS:					
1. Type of Transaction (Check all applicable boxes) <input type="checkbox"/> Statement of Actual Services - OR - <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Predetermination/Preauthorization				2. Renaissance P.O. Box 1596 Indianapolis, IN 46208-1596 Payer ID TNC02					
PRIMARY PAYER INFORMATION				OTHER COVERAGE					
3. Name, Address, City, State, ZIP Code				16. Other Dental or Medical Coverage? <input type="checkbox"/> No (Skip 17-23) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Complete 16-23)					
PRIMARY SUBSCRIBER INFORMATION				17. Subscriber Name (Last, First, Middle Initial, Suffix)					
4. Name (Last, First, Middle Initial, Suffix), Address, City, State, ZIP Code				18. Date of Birth (MM/DD/CCYY)					
5. Date of Birth (MM/DD/CCYY)		6. Gender		7. Subscriber Identifier (ID#)		19. Gender			
8. Plan/Group Number		9. Employer Name		20. Subscriber Identifier (ID#)		21. Plan/Group Number			
PATIENT INFORMATION				22. Relationship to Primary Subscriber (Check applicable box) <input type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Dependent <input type="checkbox"/> Other					
10. Relationship to Primary Subscriber (Check applicable box) <input type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Dependent Child <input type="checkbox"/> Other				11. Student Status <input type="checkbox"/> FTS <input type="checkbox"/> PTS					
12. Name (Last, First, Middle Initial, Suffix), Address, City, State, ZIP Code				23. Other Carrier Name, Address, City, State, ZIP Code					
13. Date of Birth (MM/DD/CCYY)		14. Gender		15. Patient ID/Account # (Assigned by Dentist)					
RECORD OF SERVICES PROVIDED									
	24. Procedure Date (MM/DD/CCYY)	25. Area of Oral Cavity	26. Tooth System	27. Tooth Number(s) or Letter(s)	28. Tooth Surface	29. Procedure Code	29a. Diag. Pointer	30. Description	31. Fee
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MISSING TEETH INFORMATION				ANCILLARY CLAIM/TREATMENT INFORMATION					
				38. Place of Treatment (Check applicable box) <input type="checkbox"/> Provider's Office <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> ECP <input type="checkbox"/> Other					
33. (Place an 'X' on each missing tooth)				39. Number of Enclosures (00 to 99) Radiograph(s) _____ Oral image(s) Model(s) _____					
34. Diagnosis Code List Qualifier <input type="checkbox"/> ICD-9 = B, ICD-10 = AB				40. Date Last SRP _____					
35. Remarks				41. Is Treatment for Orthodontics? <input type="checkbox"/> No (Skip 42-43) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Complete 42-43)					
36. I have been informed of the treatment plan and associated fees. I agree to be responsible for all charges for dental services and materials not paid by my dental benefit plan, unless prohibited by law, or the treating dentist or dental practice has a contractual agreement with my plan prohibiting all or a portion of such charges. To the extent permitted by law, I consent to your use and disclosure of my protected health information to carry out payment activities in connection with this claim.				42. Date Appliance Placed (MM/DD/CCYY)					
X _____ Patient/Guardian signature Date				43. Months of Treatment Remaining					
37. I hereby authorize and direct payment of the dental benefits otherwise payable to me, directly to the below named dentist or dental entity.				44. Replacement of Prostheses? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Complete 45)					
X _____ Subscriber signature Date				45. Date Prior Placement (MM/DD/CCYY)					
BILLING DENTIST OR DENTAL ENTITY (Leave blank if dentist or dental entity is not submitting claim on behalf of the patient or insured/subscriber)				46. Treatment Resulting from (Check applicable box) <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational illness/injury <input type="checkbox"/> Auto accident <input type="checkbox"/> Other accident					
48. Name, Address, City, State, ZIP Code				47. Date of Accident (MM/DD/CCYY)					
50. Corporate Entity NPI (Type 2)				48. Auto Accident State					
51. License Number				TREATING DENTIST AND TREATMENT LOCATION INFORMATION					
52. TIN				54. I hereby certify that the procedures as indicated by date are in progress (for procedures that require multiple visits) or have been completed and that the fees submitted are the actual fees I have charged and intend to collect for those procedures.					
53. Phone Number () -				X _____ Signed (Treating Dentist) Date					
53a. Additional Provider ID				55. Individual NPI (Type 1) Locum Tenens Treating Dentist?					
58. Phone Number () -				56. License Number					
59. Treating Provider Specialty				57. Address, City, State, ZIP Code					
				57a. Provider Specialty Code					



Notice of non-covered services consent form

Your dental plan does not cover all services. Some services you or your health care provider feel are needed may not be covered. Renaissance will not pay for non-covered services. If you do choose to have one of the services, your health care provider can bill you.

Before signing this form:

- Read this notice and instructions to make an informed choice.
- Ask your health care provider any questions that you may have.
- **This form must be presented and signed prior to the services being rendered on the date treatment is performed.**

Provider: Print this form; keep one copy in member file, give one copy to member.

Member information

MEMBER LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI	MEMBER ID #	DATE OF BIRTH
Non-covered service/item-description (and code, if available)				
Reason(s) service/item is not covered by Medicaid				
Alternate covered service(s)/item(s)				
Cost of non-covered service/item				
Terms of payment				

Member signature—Read the statement below, check the box if you understand and agree, sign and date.

I want the non-covered service/item listed above. I understand that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The service or item is not covered by Medicaid and no payment will be made by Renaissance • I will have to pay for the service listed above and all fees associated will be my responsibility • A different service or item may be covered by Medicaid and I do not want that service or item • The provider may have asked for authorization and the authorization was denied 		
SIGNATURE—MEMBER OR LEGAL GUARDIAN/AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE/RESPONSIBLE PARTY	DATE	LEGAL GUARDIAN/AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE/RESPONSIBLE PARTY NAME (Please print)

Provider signature—**Providers:** As a participating provider in the Renaissance network who is treating a Medicaid member, I understand and acknowledge, in accordance with the terms of my contract, I am only permitted to bill Renaissance Medicaid members for non-covered services when members have agreed in writing, prior to the time services are rendered, to assume full financial responsibility for the non-covered services. I confirm and attest I have reviewed the dental services with the undersigned member or parent/guardian and that such services are not covered by Renaissance and have not been denied by on the basis of lack of medical necessity or my failure to comply with the terms and conditions of my contract or any applicable Renaissance policies. I attest I have offered the non-covered services, in good faith, to the undersigned member or parent/guardian based on my assessment of the undersigned member's needs and I have discussed the relevant health care services that Renaissance does cover that can safely and effectively treat the undersigned member's health condition.

PROVIDER NAME	NPI/UMPI	PROVIDER SIGNATURE	DATE
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Appendix A

Sedation and General Anesthesia (for ECF Choices and 1915(c) members only)

When submitting for covered services related to parenteral sedation or general anesthesia, the provider, in addition to the supporting clinical documentation (radiographs, patient treatment records, treatment plan, medical referrals/records), must complete the following attestation form in support of the medical necessity for the services. To complete submission, please refer to the following checklist.

Checklist for Sedation/General Anesthesia Authorization	
Written narrative detailing type of anesthesia to be used	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clinical narrative of medical necessity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recent radiographs (unless unable to obtain)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Definitive diagnosis and detailed treatment plan	<input type="checkbox"/>
Referring dentist reports if applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>
ASA physical status classification	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completed Hospital Readiness Form (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>

This form is located on the DOT at <https://www.rendentalofficetoolkit.com>

TennCare Inpatient and Outpatient Hospital Readiness Pre-Admission Form

This form is required to be submitted with documentation as outlined in Section 10, Clinical Criteria for Adjunct General Services

Patient Name: _____

Patient ID: _____

Patient Address: _____

Date: _____

a. I certify that I have examined this patient

A. Yes No Date of Exam _____

b. There is pathology or injury requiring extensive dental treatment (restorative or surgical)

A. Yes No

c. I certify that I have attempted to treat this patient in my office

A. Yes No Date _____

d. If a general dentist, I have attempted to refer this patient to a dental specialist (oral surgeon or pediatric dentist)

A. Yes No

If no, why was a referral not made?

e. I have attempted to manage the member with Silver Diamine Fluoride in the office (general and pediatric dentists)

A. Yes No

f. I have offered Silver Diamine Fluoride treatment to the member in the office as an alternative to treatment under general anesthesia in a medical facility (general and pediatric dentists)

A. Yes No

(general and pediatric dentists)

h. Were radiographs taken to determine diagnosis?

A. Yes No

i. I have submitted all the documentation required for prior authorization as described in the TennCare Office Reference Manual

A. Yes No

j. If answer to “H” or “I” is no, please explain why the documentation is not being submitted:

Renaissance reserves the right to request a second opinion for any inpatient/ outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgery center request.

I Certify That the Above Information Is Correct

Name of Provider: _____

Provider Signature: _____

Date: _____

Submit to

Renaissance – TennCare

Attn: Pre-Authorizations

P.O. Box 2720

Farmington Hills, MI 48333-2720

Appendix B

Revision History

Version:	Date:	Reason for Revisions:	Completed by:
1.0	Policies and Procedures: 11.26.2024 Published:	New document	Renaissance

Appendix C

Notice of Nondiscrimination



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Protections

Discrimination is against the law. TennCare obeys federal and state civil rights laws. We don't discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin including limited English proficiency and primary language, age, disability, or sex. TennCare doesn't exclude people or treat them less favorably (differently) because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Help You Can Get

Disability Related Help

TennCare provides people with disabilities reasonable modifications. Reasonable modifications are reasonable requests for changes to a rule, policy, practice, or service to help a person with a disability related need. TennCare has free auxiliary aids and services to communicate effectively with you. Auxiliary aids and services are types of help like:

- Qualified sign language interpreters and
- Written information in large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, letter reading, Braille, or other formats.

Language Help

TennCare offers free language help to people whose primary language is not English like:

- Qualified interpreters and
- Translations - Information written in other languages.

Who to Contact

TennCare Connect

Do you need help like applying or renewing your TennCare, need auxiliary aids and services, or language help to talk with TennCare? Call TennCare Connect for free at 855-259-0701.

TennCare's Office of Civil Rights Compliance

- Reasonable Modifications
If you need reasonable modifications, contact TennCare's Office of Civil Rights Compliance ("OCRC").
- Grievance/Complaint
If you believe that TennCare failed to provide these services, or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a

grievance/complaint with TennCare's OCRC by email at HCFA.fairtreatment@tn.gov, mail at 310 Great Circle Road Floor 3W, Nashville, TN 37243, OCRC's website at <https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/civil-rights-compliance.html>, or calling 615-507-6474 (TRS 711). If you need help filing a grievance call TennCare Connect for free at 855-259-0701.

More Information

You can find forms, policies and more information about civil rights and help like for food or other things on OCRC's website: <https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/civil-rights-compliance.html>.

You can file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)
Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.