

Mastering the Hygiene Department Codes: Secrets to Revolutionizing Patient Care

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1. What does CDT mean?

2. CDT Categories:

- a. Diagnostic
- b. Preventive
- c. Restorative
- d. Endodontics
- e. Periodontics
- f. Implant Services
- g. Fixed Prosthodontics
- h. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
- i. Orthodontics
- i. Adjunctive General Services

3. How do the CDT Codes affect production?

4. What does this have to do with financial risk for the dental practice?

5. What does *Patient-Centered Care* really mean?

6. Various Services and Codes:

Prophy _____

Gross Debridement _____

Gingivitis _____

Scaling and Root Planing _____

LBR & Laser Assisted Periodontal Therapy _____

Antimicrobial _____

Peri-Implantitis _____

Oral Cancer Screening _____

Fluoride Varnish _____

A1C Screening _____

Vaccines _____

7. Latest Updates:

D4355 New Update:

D0191 New Update:

D0140 New Update:

D4355

Confusing?

See updates in www.PracticeBooster.com

D0210

D0140

8. Using the codes and proper sequencing of appointments for the periodontal patient.

New Patients with Gingivitis:

Gingivitis Patients:

New Patients & All Patients with Periodontitis:

Periodontal Maintenance:

9. Narratives:

- Why are these important?

- Why a narrative?

- What should be included in your narrative?

My commitment / What I/we can do differently:

Resources.

1. Frequent General Questions Regarding Dental Procedure Codes.

a. <https://tinyurl.com/5dhr9bxy>

2. Guides and training videos regarding coding.

a. <https://tinyurl.com/4up6kdps>

3. New, updated CDT coding guides for your dental practice.

a. <https://www.practicebooster.com/store.asp>

4. Next Steps: <https://calendly.com/debbie-111/15min>