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Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Only medically necessary oral and maxillofacial medical procedures are reimbursed when required in the treatment of injury or disease related to the head and neck.

Enrolled dental providers are limited to those surgical services billed through the Professional Services Program.

Pre-Certification

Should anticipated hospitalization for oral and maxillofacial surgery exceed 24 hours, providers should refer to the Pre-Certification Policy in this manual or the Acute Pre-Cert policy found on the Louisiana Medicaid website. (See Appendix A for information on accessing this website)

The surgeon must request approval when it is medically necessary to perform a procedure as an inpatient when the procedure has been designated by the Medicaid Program as an outpatient procedure. Providers should refer to the Acute Pre-Cert policy found on the Louisiana Medicaid website.

Non-Covered Services

The following are not covered services:

- Tooth extractions for recipients age 21 and older except for those covered in the Expanded Dental Services for Pregnant Women Program, and
- Procedures performed for cosmetic purposes.

Services described with a Current Dental Terminology procedure code such as extractions, periodontal treatment, and fillings are not reimbursable under this program.

Additional Information

For information regarding the Medicaid Dental Program policy and procedures, providers should refer to the Louisiana Medicaid website for the following information:

- Dental Services Manual chapter,
- Dental Provider Training Packets,
- Policy updates contained in other provider resources such as the:

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- Medicaid remittance advices (RA), and
- Louisiana Medicaid *Provider Update*.