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Biopsy and Removal of Oral Cysts and Lesions

Description

The biopsy or removal of cysts or lesions in the oral cavity (the mouth). This can be done by a medical doctor, a dentist, or an oral surgeon.

See also

Similar, related, or easily confused documents.

- <u>Dental Providers for Medical-Related Dental Services</u> Dental providers for medical-related dental services (such as oral surgery) may be located using medica.com's provider search tool.
- Oral surgery A surgical procedure of the mouth, performed for various reasons, including the extraction of impacted teeth.

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Commercial

Introduction

This section applies to all Commercial brands: Dean Health Plan (DHP), Mayo Medical Plan (MMP), Medica (including MHPS), and Prevea360.

Benefits (all except MMP)

Quote surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.

- Clinic POS: Also quote office visits when done in the clinic.
- Extraction: A tooth extraction to gain access to the cyst or lesion is also covered under surgical benefits.
- **Tip**: Some plans contain an *Oral Surgery* exclusion. This does NOT apply to removal of suspicious, new, painful, cancerous, or precancerous growths/cysts/tumors/lesions in the mouths. The removal and testing of these will always be covered under medical benefits.

Mayo Medical Plan (MMP)

Quote surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.

- Clinic POS: Also quote office visits when done in the clinic.
- Extraction: A tooth extraction to gain access to the cyst or lesion is also covered under surgical benefits.
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Government Programs

Introduction

This section applies to all Medicaid and Medicare products.

AccessAbility (SNBC),

Medicaid only groups:

• Refer to Medicaid below.

Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)

Medicare eligible groups:

- Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.
- Extraction: A tooth extraction to gain access to the cyst or lesion is also covered under surgical benefits.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medicare is the primary payer.
- If no Medicare eligibility, Medicaid applies. Refer to Medicaid below.

AccessAbility Enhanced (I-SNBC),

Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.

- Extraction: A tooth extraction to gain access to the cyst or lesion is also covered under surgical benefits.
- Medica is the only payer.

Cost (Prime)

DUAL (MSHO)

Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.

- Extraction: A tooth extraction to gain access to the cyst or lesion is also covered under surgical benefits.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.

Med Advantage

Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.

- Extraction: A tooth extraction to gain access to the cyst or lesion is also covered under surgical benefits.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medica is the only payer.

Med Supp (Select, Signature)

Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.

- Extraction: A tooth extraction to gain access to the cyst or lesion is also covered under surgical benefits.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medicare supplement.
- Medicare is the primary payer.

Medicaid

Quote surgical benefits. Quote physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.

- Extraction: A tooth extraction to gain access to the cyst or lesion is also covered under surgical benefits.
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Individual and Family Business (IFB)

Introduction

This section applies to all Individual and Family Business (IFB) brands: Dean Health Plan (DHP), Medica, Medica (formerly WellFirst), and Prevea360.

Benefits

Quote surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.

- Clinic POS: Also quote office visits when done in the clinic.
- Extraction: A tooth extraction to gain access to the cyst or lesion is also covered under surgical benefits.

Tip: Some plans contain an *Oral Surgery* exclusion. This does NOT apply to removal of suspicious, new, painful, cancerous, or precancerous growths/cysts/tumors/lesions in the mouths. The removal and testing of these will always be covered under medical benefits.

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