

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Dental Communication

EPSDT Primary Care Physicians and Oral Health Services

- According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, it is recommended that PCP's perform oral health services during well-visits for children six months through three years of age.
- Oral Health Risk Assessments and the need for Fluoride supplementation should be assessed at six months through 11 months of age
- The 1st dental exam should occur at the eruption of the first tooth and no later than 12 months of age
- Fluoride Varnish can be applied starting at 12 months through three years of age. Fluoride Varnish can be administered by PCP's and other qualified health care professionals, and should be applied two times per year, up to four times per year depending on the risk for dental caries

Note: Providers wishing to be trained in the application of Topical Fluoride Varnish for children should access the Smile for Life website at <http://www.smilesforlifeoralhealth.org> (Course 6 - Fluoride Varnish). This training is "Free of Charge"

- Dental home referrals can begin anywhere between 12 months and three years of age. Children are required to have an established dental home by no later than three years of age.

***Dental home referrals are to be reported via "YD" modifier

Oral Health Billing

CPT Code

99188 Application of topical fluoride varnish by a physician or other qualified health care professional

ICD-10 Codes

Z00.121 Routine child health exam with abnormal findings

Z00.129 Routine child health exam without abnormal findings

Z29.3 Encounter for prophylactic fluoride administration

Z91.841 Risk for dental caries, low

Z91.842 Risk for dental caries, moderate

Z91.843 Risk for dental caries, high