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## **General Notice**

#### MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

No. 381

TARIFFS OF FEES WHICH REGISTERED DENTISTS MAY CHARGE FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED: MEDICAL AND DENTAL PROFESSIONS ACT, 1993

In terms of section 42(3), it is hereby made known that the Dental Board has, after consultation with the Council for Health and Social Services Professions and with the approval of the Minister of Health and Social Services, under section 42(1) of the Medical and Dental Professions Act, 1993 (Act No. 21 of 1993), determined the tariffs of fees as set out in the Schedule, which may be charged for professional services rendered by a registered dentist under the said Medical and Dental Professions Act, 1993.

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SECRETARY OF THE DENTAL BOARD

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#### NAMIBIAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION

#### NATIONAL SCHEDULE OF RECOMMENDED FEES AND GUIDELINES

#### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

#### **INTRODUCTION TO THIS PUBLICATION**

- 1. This schedule includes procedures performed by general dental practitioners, maxillo-facial and oral surgeons, orthodontists, periodontists, prosthodontists and oral pathologists.
- 2. The NDA fees listed are considered to be reasonable, but are not binding on members and may be higher or lower, depending on individual circumstances. If a higher fee is charged, such actions may have to be justified by factors such as unusual complications, experience and ability of practitioner.
- 3. Dento-legal fees. Practitioners are entitled to remuneration if they are present at Court at the request of an advocate or attorney, even if they are not called to give evidence. The NDA recommends that for dento-legal work general practitioners base their fee on N\$ 669.00 per hour and specialists N\$ 999.00 per hour.

#### RULES

- 4. The following Rules apply to all practitioners
  - 001 Item 8101 refers to a Full Mouth Examination, charting and treatment planning and no further examination fees/benefits shall be chargeable until the treatment plan resulting from this consultation is completed with the exception of Item 8102. This includes the issuing of a prescription where only medication is prescribed

Item 8104 refers to a consultation for a specific problem and not to a full mouth examination, charting and treatment planning. This includes the issuing of a prescription where only medication is prescribed

- 002 Except in those cases where the fee is determined "by arrangement", the fee for the rendering of a service which is not listed in this schedule shall be based on the fee in respect of a comparable service that is listed therein and Rule 002 must be indicated together with the tariff item
- 004 In exceptional cases where the tariff fee is disproportionately low in relation to the actual services rendered by a practitioner, such higher fee as may be mutually agreed upon between the dental practitioner and the patient/scheme may be charged and Rule 004 must be indicated together with the tariff item
- 008 (a) Every dentist shall render a monthly invoice for every procedure which has been completed irrespective of whether the total treatment plan has been concluded
  - (b) Every invoice shall contain the following particulars
    - (i) the surname and initials of the member
    - (ii) the first name of the patient
    - (iii) the name of the scheme
    - (iv) the membership number of the member
    - (v) the practice number
    - (vi) date on which every service was rendered
    - (vii) the nature and cost of every service and where applicable, the code number of the procedure or service
    - (viii) where the invoice is a photocopy of the original, certification by way of a rubber stamp or the signature of the dentist; and

- (ix) a statement of whether the invoice is in accordance with the scale of benefits
- (x) The name of the dentist rendering the service must be shown on the invoice
- (M) 009 Dentists in general practice shall be entitled to charge two-thirds of the fees/benefits of specialists only for treatment that is not listed in the schedule for dentists in general practice and Modifier 8004 must be shown against any such item

Benefits in respect of specialists charging treatment procedures not listed in the schedule for that specialty, shall be allocated as follows

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General Dental Practitioners Schedule - 100%

Other Dental Specialists Schedules

010 Fees charged by dental technicians for their services (PLUS L) shall be shown on the dentist's invoice against the code 8099. Such dentist's invoice shall be accompanied by the actual invoice of the dental technician (or a copy thereof) and the invoice of the dental technician shall bear the signature of the dentist (or the person authorised by him) as proof that it has been compiled correctly. "L" comprises the fee charged by the dental technician for his services as well as the cost of gold and of teeth. For example, item 8231 is specified as follows

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8099 (8231)	 Y
Total	 N\$(X+Y)

- 011 Modifiers may only be used where (M) appears against the item in the schedule/
  - **8001** 33 1/3% of the appropriate scheduled fee/benefit (see Note 4 preamble to Maxillo-facial and oral surgery schedule)
  - **8002** The appropriate scheduled fee/benefit + 50% (see Note 1 preamble to Maxillo-facial and oral surgery schedule)
  - **8003** The appropriate scheduled fee/benefit + 10% (see Note 5 preamble to Perio schedule)
  - **8004** Two-thirds of appropriate scheduled fee/benefit (see Rule 009)
  - 8005 The appropriate scheduled fee/benefit up to a maximum of N\$ 508.00 (NDA fee) (see Note 2 preamble to Maxillo-facial and oral surgery schedule)
  - **8006** 50% of the appropriate scheduled fee/benefit (see Note 3 preample to Maxillo-facial and oral surgery schedule)
  - 8007 15% of the appropriate scheduled fee/benefit with a minimum of N\$ 305.00 (NDA fee) (See preamble(s) under "oral surgery" in the schedule for GPs, the schedule for specialists in oral medicine and periodontics, and the schedule for specialists in Maxillo-facial and oral surgery
  - **8008** The appropriate scheduled fee/benefit + 25% (see Note 5 preamble to Maxillo-facial and oral surgery schedule, GPs' schedule)
  - 8009 75% of the appropriate scheduled fee/benefit
  - 8010 The appropriate schedule fee/benefit plus 75%
- 012 In cases where treatment is not listed in the schedule for dentists in general practice or specialists then the appropriate fee/benefit listed in the medical schedules shall be charged and the relevant item in the medical schedules must be indicated

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013	Cost of material (VAT inclusive): This item provides for a charge for material where indicated against the relative item codes by the words (See Rule 013). Material to be charged for at cost plus a handling fee not exceeding 35%, up to N\$ 1,533.00. A maximum handling fee of 10% shall apply above a cost of N\$ 1,533.00. A maximum handling fee of N\$ 2,212.00 will apply.

#### **EXPLANATIONS**

#### 5. Additions, deletions and revisions

A summary listing of additions, deletions and revisions applicable to this Schedule is found in Appendix A

Note: Item 8220 (suture) is applicable to all registered persons

New code numbers added to the Schedule are identified with the symbol  $\sum$  placed before the code number

In instances where a code has been revised, the symbol \* is placed before the code number

#### 6. Tooth identification

Tooth identification is compulsory for all invoices rendered at the Recommended Scale of Benefits. It is recommended that practitioners charging fees as per the National Schedule of Recommended Fees follow the same format. Tooth identification is only applicable to procedures identified with the letter (T) in the mouth part (MP) column. The International Standards Organisation (ISO) in collaboration with the FDI designated system for teeth and areas of the oral cavity, should be used. For supernumeraries, the abbreviation SUP should be used

#### 7. Treatment categories

Treatment categories (TC) of dental procedures are identified in the TC column of the schedule as follows

Basic dentistry - designated as (B) in this schedule

Intermediate dentistry - designated as (I) in this schedule

Advanced dentistry - designated as (A) in this schedule

Maxillo-facial and oral surgery - designated as (S) in this schedule

#### 8. Abbreviations used in the Schedule

- +D Add fee/benefit for denture
  - +L Add laboratory fee
  - A Advanced dentistry (TC)
  - B Basic dentistry (TC)
  - GP General practitioner
  - I Intermediate dentistry (TC)
  - S Maxillo-facial and oral surgery (TC)
  - M Modifier
- MP Mouth part
- Na not applicable
- T Tooth
- TC Treatment category
- 9. VAT

In Namibia VAT is levied on <u>all input costs</u> for a dental practice. Dental services in Namibia however are VAT exempt as defined by law. VAT is therefore not charged on dental services rendered.

Laboratory services are also VAT exempt.

#### I. GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONERS

#### PREAMBLE

- (1) The dental procedure codes for general dental practitioners are divided into twelve (12) categories of services. The procedures have been grouped under the category with which the procedures are most frequently identified. The categories are solely for convenience in using the Schedule and should not be interpreted as excluding certain types of Oral Care Providers from performing or reporting such procedures. General practitioners are advised to become familiar with the details of these categories since it is similar to the *Current Dental Terminology Second Edition* (CDT-2) which was adopted in principle by the NDA.
- (2)
- (M/W) Procedures not described in the general practitioners' schedule should be reported by referring to the relevant specialist's schedule. Dentists in general practice shall be entitled to charge two-thirds of the fees/benefits of specialists only for treatment that is not listed in the schedule for dentists in general practice and Modifier 8004 must be shown against any such item (See Rules 009 and 011). There are no specific codes for orthodontic treatment in the current general practitioner's schedule, and the general practitioner must refer to the specialist orthodontist's schedule.
- (3)
- (M/W) Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery (Section J of the Schedule): The fee/benefit payable to a general practitioner assistant shall be calculated as 15% of the fee/benefit of the practitioner performing the operation, with the indicated minimum (see Modifier 8007). The patient must be informed beforehand that another dentist will be assisting at the operation and that a fee/benefit will be payable to the assistant. The assistant's name must appear on the invoice rendered to the patient.

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс	
	A. DIAGNOSTIC						
	Clinical oral evaluations						
8101	Full mouth examination, charting and treatment planning (see Rule 001)	140.35				В	
8102	Comprehensive consultation	325.44				В	
	A comprehensive consultation shall include treatment planning at a separate appointment where a diagnosis is made with the help of study models, full-mouth x-rays and other relevant diagnostic aids. Following on such a consultation, the patient must be supplied with a comprehensive written treatment plan which must also be recorded on the patient's file and which must include the following:						
	Soft tissue examination						
	Hard tissue examination						
	Screening/probing of periodontal pockets						
	Mucogingival examination						
	Plaque index						
	Bleeding index     Occlusal Analysis						
	TMJ examination						
	Vitality screening of complete dentition						
8104	Examination or consultation for a specific problem not requiring full mouth examination, charting and treatment planning	94.74				В	
	Radiographs/Diagnostic Imaging						
8107	Intra-oral radiographs, per film	89.47				в	
8108	Maximum for 8107	721.93				в	
8113	Occlusal radiographs	140.35				в	
8114		370.18				А	
8115		370.18				в	
	Tests and laboratory examinations						
8117	Study models – unmounted or mounted on a hinge articulator	100.88		+L		в	
8119	Study models - mounted on a movable condyle articulator	260.53		+L		в	
8121	Photographs (for diagnostic, treatment or dento- legal purposes) per photograph	100.88				в	

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
•8122	Bacteriological studies for determination of pathologic agents	70.18				
	May include, but is not limited to tests for susceptibility to periodontal disease.					
	If requested, a perio risk assessment must be available at no charge. (The use of this code is limited to general dental practitioners and specialists in community dentistry).					
•8123	Caries susceptibility tests	70.18				в
	Not to be used for carious dentine staining. If requested, a caries risk assessment must be made available at no charge.					
	(The use of this code is limited to general dental practitioners and specialists in community dentistry).					
8811	Tracing and analysis of extra-oral film	42.98				В
	B. PREVENTIVE					
	Dental prophylaxis					
8155	Polishing only (including removal of plaque) – complete dentition	140.35				B
8159	Scaling and polishing Where item 8159 is applied, Item 8155 can not be charged	260.53				в
•8160	Removal of gross calculus This procedure is used when profuse bleeding prevents immediate polishing. Where item 8160 is applied, item 8159 can only be carried out at a subsequent visit.	131.58				
	Topical fluoride treatment (office procedure)					ł
8161	Topical application of fluoride (prophylaxis excluded) - complete dentition	140.35	<i>.</i>			в
	(Excluding scaling and/or polishing)					
•8149	Other preventive services	96.49				1
•0149	Nutritional counselling for dental disease Counselling on food selection and dieting habits as a part of treatment and control of periodontal disease and caries. Notes:	90.49				
	The need of nutritional counselling must be confirmed by a caries/perio risk assessment (see codes 8122 and 8123).				*	
	A dietary habit analysis and food selection programme must on request be made available at no charge.					
	(The use of this code is limited to general dental practitioners and specialists in community dentistry).					
•8150	Tobacco counselling for the control and preventiion of oral disease	96.49				
	Tobacco prevention and cessation services reduce patient risks of developing tobacco related oral diseases and conditions and improve prognosis of certain dental therapies.					

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
	Notes: The need for tobacco counselling must be confirmed by a caries/periorisk assessment (see codes 8122 and 8123).					
	If requested, a tobacco prevention and cessation services programme must be made available at no charge.					
	(The use of this code is limited to general dental practitioners and specialists in community dentistry).					
	Persons are eligible for this treatment if a documented quit date has been established. Tobacco cessation is limited to 10 services.					
8151	Oral hygiene instructions The patient must be informed prior to the service being rendered that a fee will be levied for oral hygiene instruction	140.35				В
8153		100.88				В
8163		89.47			т	В
	Space maintenance (passive appliances)					
	Passive appliances are designed to prevent tooth movement					
8173	Space maintainer – fixed, per abutment unit	260.53		+L		В
8175	Space maintainer – removable (all-inclusive fee)	335.09		+L		В
	C. RESTORATIVE					
	Amalgam restorations (including polishing)					
	All adhesives, liners and bases are included as part of the restoration. If pins are used, they should be reported separately.					
	See Codes 8345, 8347 and 8348 for post and/or pin retention					
	NDA fees exclude amalgam bonding agents (code 8146).					
•8346		NA				
	BHF note: Restorative material factor an additional 10% can be added to codes 8341, 8342, 8343, 8344, 8351, 8352, 8353, 8354, 8367, 8368, 8369, 8370 by general dental practitioners only					
8341	<b>S S S S S S S S S S</b>	153.51			T	В
8342	5	211.40			Т	В
8343	5	279.82			T	В
8344	Amalgam - four or more surfaces	344.74			T.	В
	<b>Resin restorations</b> Resin refers to a broad category of materials including but not limited to composites. May include bonded composite, light-cured composite, etc. Light-curing, acid etching and adhesives (including resin bonding agents) are included as					
	part of the restoration. Glass ionomers, when used as					

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
8351 8352 8353 8354 8367 8368 8369 8370	Resin – two surfaces, anterior Resin – three surfaces, anterior Resin – four or more surfaces Resin – one surface, posterior	171.05 232.46 300.00 363.16 214.91 292.98 376.32 455.26			TTTTTTT	8 8 8 8 8 8
8358 8359 8360 8365 8361 8362 8363 8364	Inlay, metallic – two surfaces, anterior Inlay, metallic – three surfaces, anterior Inlay, metallic – four or more surfaces, anterior Inlay, metallic – one surface, posterior Inlay, metallic – two surfaces, posterior Inlay, metallic – three surfaces, posterior	444.74 650.00 1 087.72 1 309.65 444.74 650.00 1 087.72 1 309.65		+ L L + L L + L L + L	T T T T T T T	A

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
8371 8372 8373 8374 8560 (M)	CERAMIC AND/OR RESIN INLAYS Porcelain/ceramic inlays presently include either all ceramic or porcelain inlays. Composite/resin inlays must be laboratory processed NOTE: NDA fees exclude the application of a rubber dam (code 8304) Inlay, ceramic/resin - one surface Inlay, ceramic/resin - two surfaces Inlay, ceramic/resin - three surfaces Inlay, ceramic/resin - four or more surfaces Cost of ceramic block Applicable to computer generated prosthesis only NOTES 1. In some of the above cases (e.g. Direct hybrid inlays) +L may not necessarily apply 2. In cases where the direct hybrid inlays are used and +L does not apply, Modifier 8008 may be used 3. See the General Practitioner's Guideline to the correct use of treatment codes for computer generated inlays.	531.58 786.82 1 300.00 1 575.44 Rule 013		+L +L +L +L	ТТТТ	A A A A A
8401 8403 8405 8407 8409 8411	Crowns – single restorations The fees/benefits include the cost of temporary and/or intermediate crowns. See code 8193 (osseo-integrated abutment restoration) in the 'fixed prosthodontic' category for crowns on osseo-integrated implants Cast full crown Cast three-quarter crown Acrylic jacket crown Porcelain jacket crown Porcelain veneered crown	1 670.18 1 670.18 1 670.18 1 670.18 1 670.18 1 670.18 1 670.18		+L +L +L +L +L	T T T T T T	A A A A A A A
8133	Other restorative services Re-cementing of inlays, crowns or bridges - per			+L	т	в
8135	abutment In some cases where item 8133 is used +L may not apply Removal of inlays and crowns (per unit) and bridges	279.82		+L	т	A
	(per abutment) or sectioning of a bridge, part of which is to be retained as a crown following the failure of a bridge					
8137	Temporary crown placed as an emergency procedure Not applicable to temporary crowns placed during routine crown and bridge preparations i.e. where the impression for the final crown is taken at the same visit	482.46		+L	Т	А
8146	Resin bonding for restorations Applicable to any metal restorations, crowns or conventional bridges, per abutment except Maryland type bridges	116.67				

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
8157	Re-burnishing and polishing of restorations - complete dentition (Not applicable to restorations recently done)	140.35				В
8330	Removal of fractured post or instrument and/or bypassing fractured endodontic instrument NOTE: NDA fees exclude the application of a rubber dam (code 8304)	183.33			т	в
8345	Preformed post retention, per post	207.89			Т	В
	(See code 8379)					
8347	Pin retention for restoration, first pin	140.35			Т	В
8348	Pin retention for restoration, each additional pin A maximum of two additional pins may be charged	121.05			Т	В
8349	Carving or contouring a plastic restoration to accommodate an existing removable prosthesis	68.42			Т	В
8355	Composite veneers (Direct)	444.74			Т	В
8357	Preformed metal crown	297.37			T	в
8366	Pin retention as part of cast restoration, irrespective of number of pins	214.91			Т	Α
8376	Prefabricated post and core in addition to crown	576.32			Т	в
	The core is built around a prefabricated post(s)					
8379	Cost of posts	Rule 013			T	А
	Applicable to pre-fabricated noble metal, ceramic, iridium and pure titanium posts - see code 8345					
8391	Cast post and core – single	337.72		+L	T	A
8393	Cast post and core - double	531.58		+L	T	A
8395	Cast post and core – triple	776.32		+L	Т	A
8396	Cast coping	218.42		+L	T	A
8397	Cast core with pins This service is usually provided on grossly broken-down vital teeth, and may not be charged when a post has been inserted in the tooth in guestion	1 1		+L	Т	A
8398	Core build-up, including any pins Refers to building up of anatomical crown when restorative crown will be	531.58	•		т	В
	placed, irrespective of the number of pins used					
8413	Facing replacement	325.44		+L	T	A
8414	Additional fee for provision of crown within an existing clasp or rest	100.88		+L	Т	Α
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
	<ul> <li>D. ENDODONTICS</li> <li>Preamble</li> <li>1. The Namibian Dental Board has ruled that, with the "exception of diagnostic intra-oral radiographs, fees/benefits for only three further intra-oral radiographs may be charged for each completed root canal therapy on a single-canal tooth; or a further five intra-oral radiographs for each completed root canal therapy on a multi-canal tooth.</li> <li>2. The NDA benefit for the application of a rubber dam (See code 8304 in the category "Adjunctive General Services") may only be charged concurrent with the following procedures, otherwise no benefits.</li> <li>Gross pulpal debridement, primary and permanent teeth for the relief of pain (code 8132)</li> <li>Apexification of a root canal (code 8305)</li> <li>Pulpotomy (code 8307)</li> <li>Complete root canal therapy (codes 8328, 8329 and 8332 to 8340)</li> <li>Removal or bypass of a fractured post or instrument (code 8330)</li> <li>Bleaching of non vital teeth (codes 8325 and 8327) and</li> <li>Ceramic and or resin inlays (codes 8371 to 8374)</li> <li>3. After endodontic preparatory visits (codes 8332, 8333 and 8334) have been charged, endodontic treatment completed at a single visit (codes 8329, 8338, 8339 and 8340) may not be levied.</li> </ul>					
	Pulp capping					
8301	Direct pulp capping	65.79			Т	B
8303	Indirect pulp capping The permanent filling is not completed at the same visit	185.09			Т	В
	Pulpotomy					
8307	Amputation of pulp (pulpotomy)	185.09			T	В

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		N\$			
Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes	MP	тс
	No other endodontic procedure may, in respect of the same tooth, be charged concurrent to code 8307 and a completed root canal therapy should not be envisaged (code 8304 excluded)				
	Endodontic therapy (including treatment plan, clinical procedures and follow-up care)				
	PREPARATORY VISITS (OBTURATION NOT DONE AT SAME VISIT)				
8332	Single-canal tooth, per visit A maximum of four visits per tooth may be charged	140.35		Т	В
8333	Multi-canal tooth, per visit A maximum of four visits per tooth may be charged	194.74		т	В
	OBTURATION OF ROOT CANALS AT A SUBSEQUENT VISIT				
8335	First canal - anteriors and premolars	638.60		T	В
8328		260.53		Т	В
8336		877.19		T	В
8337	Each additional canal - molars	260.53		Т	в
	PREPARATION AND OBTURATION OF ROOT CANALS COMPLETED AT A SINGLE VISIT				
8338	-	972.81	ĺ	Т	В
8329	•	325.44		Т	В
8339	First canal - molars	1 336.84		T	в
8340	Each additional canal - molars	325.44		Т	В
	Endodontic retreatment				
8334	Re-preparation of previously obturated canal, per canal	207.89		т	в
	Apexification/recalcification procedures				
8305	Apexification of root canal, per visit No other endodontic procedures may, in respect of the same tooth, be charged concurrent to code 8305 at the same visit (code 8304 excluded)	185.09		т	В
	Apicoectomy/Periradicular services				
8229	Apicoectomy including retrograde filling where necessary – incisors and canines	697.37		т	S
	Other endodontic procedures				
8132	Gross pulpal debridement, primary and permanent teeth	230.70	٠	Т	В
	"Where code 8132 is charged, no other endodontic codes may be charged at the same visit on the same tooth. Codes 8338, 8329, 8339 and 8340 (single visit) may be charged at the subsequent visit, even if code 8132 was used for initial relief of pain. (See note 2 in the preamble above)				
8136		107.89		Т	В
•8306		Rule 013			в

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	TC
8308	Bleaching of vital teeth, per arch, per visit (See code 8309 for home bleaching)	1 196.49				A
	Supply of and instruction for home bleaching (self- applied bleaching) applicator See code 8310 in the section 'Adjunctive general services' for materials supplied	194.74		+L		
	Follow-up visit for home bleaching, per visit, where no other treatment is performed at the same visit A maximum of three additional visits may be charged	94.74				
	Bleaching of non-vital teeth, per tooth as a separate procedure	357.89			Т	A
	Each additional visit for bleaching of non-vital tooth as a separate procedure A maximum of two additional visits may be charged	165.79			т	A
	E. PERIODONTICS			1		
	Surgical services (including usual postoperative care)					
8185	Gingivectomy-gingivoplasty, per quadrant	767.54				A
8186	Gingivectomy-gingivoplasty, per sextant	608.77				A
	Adjunctive periodontal services					
	<ol> <li>A periodontal screening (code 8176) is a procedure carried out as part of a continuing maintenance programme in a periodontally compromised patient. The screening should include a complete charting, bleeding index and plaque index, measuring of all pocket depths and recording of all such measurements</li> </ol>					
	2. Note to codes 8177, 8178, 8179, 8180, 8182 and 8184 A periodontally compromised patient shall be defined as a patient presenting with a diagnosis of either chronic adult periodontitis, juvenile periodontitis or rapidly progressive periodontitis, confirmed by a CPITN index of 3 or 4; and which diagnosis has been arrived at by the carrying out of a periodontal screening (8176) and CPITN index or a comprehensive consultation (8102) with substantiated clinical records					
	<ol> <li>This diagnosis must be reviewed within a period of three years using the same criteria as in 1 above</li> </ol>					
8182	Root planing with or without periodontal curettage, per guadrant	584.00	•			A
8184	Root planing with or without periodontal curettage, per sextant	465.79				A
	•Codes 8182 and 8184 may not to be charged concurrent with a prophylaxis (code and 8159) and only if a comprehensive consultation (8102) or a periodontal screening (8176) has been performed at a prior visit					
	Other periodontal services					
8176	Periodontal screening	171.05				В
8177	Oral hygiene instruction for the periodontally compromised patient	214.91				В

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
	The patient must be informed prior to the service being rendered that a fee will be levied for oral hygiene instruction.					
8178	Oral hygiene evaluation for the periodontally compromised patient	116.67				в
8179	Plaque removal for the periodontally compromised patient	162.28				В
8180	Scaling and polishing for the periodontally compromised patient	300.00				В
	F. PROSTHODONTICS (REMOVABLE)					
	Complete dentures (including routine post- delivery care)					
8231	Full upper and lower dentures inclusive of soft bases or metal bases, where applicable (NDA fee excludes Codes 8243 and 8279)	2 276.32		+L		В
8232	Full upper or lower dentures inclusive of soft base or metal base, where applicable (NDA fee excludes Codes 8243 and 8279)	1 173.68		+L		в
	Partial dentures (including routine post-delivery care)					
8233	Partial denture, one tooth	650.00		+L		в
8234	Partial denture, two teeth	650.00		+L		в
8235	Partial denture, three teeth	973.68		+L		в
8236	Partial denture, four teeth	973.68		+L		в
8237	Partial denture, five teeth	973.68		+L		в
8238	Partial denture, six teeth	1 294.74		+L		в
8239	Partial denture, seven teeth	1 294.74		+L		в
8240	Partial denture, eight teeth	1 294.74		+L		в
8241	Partial denture, nine or more teeth	1 294.74		+L		в
8281	Metal (e.g. chrome cobalt, gold, etc.) base to partial denture, per denture	1 732.46		+L		в
	The procedure refers to the metal framework only, and includes all clasps, rests and bars (i.e., 8251, 8253, 8255 and 8257). See codes 8233 to 8241 for the resin denture base required concurrent to 8281					
	Adjustments to dentures					
8275	Adjustment of denture	100.88				в
02.0	(After six months or for patient of another practitioner)		:			_
	Repairs to complete or partial dentures					
8269	Repair of denture or other intra-oral appliance A dentist may not charge professional fees for the repair of dentures if the patient was not personally examined; laboratory fees, however, may be recovered.	180.70		+L		В
8270	Add clasp to existing partial denture (One or more clasps)	121.05		+L		В

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	TC			
	Code 8270 is in addition to code 8269								
8271	Add tooth to existing partial denture (One or more teeth)	121.05		+L		В			
8273	Code 8271 is in addition to code 8269 Additional fee/benefit where one or more impressions are required for 8269, 8270 and 8271	100.88		+L		В			
	Denture rebase procedures								
*8259 8261	Rebase of denture (laboratory) Re-model of denture	531.58 882.46		+L +L		B B			
	Denture reline procedures								
8263	Reline of denture in self curing acrylic (intra-oral)	336.84				В			
8267	Soft base re-line per denture (heat cured) Code 8267 may not be charged concurrent with codes 8231 to 8241	776.32		+L		В			
	Other removable prosthetic services								
8243	Soft base to new denture	197.37		+L					
8251	Cast gold clasp or rest per clasp or rest	121.05		+L		А			
8253	Wrought gold clasp or rest per clasp or rest	121.05		+L		А			
8255	Stainless steel clasp or rest per clasp or rest	121.05		+L		В			
8257	Lingual bar or palatal bar Codes 8251, 8253, 8255 and 8257 may not be charged concurrent to codes 8169 (biteplate), 8175 (space maintainer), 8269 (repair of denture) or 8281 (metal framework)	165.79		+L		В			
8265	Tissue conditioner and soft self-cure interim re-line, per denture	222.81				в			
8277	Gold inlay in denture (NAMAF benefit by arrangement)	222.81		+L					
8279	Metal (e.g. chrome cobalt, gold, etc.) base to full denture	697.37		+L		-			
	G. MAXILLOFACIAL PROSTHETICS								
	See the schedule for specialist prosthodontists			<b> </b>					
	H. IMPLANT SERVICES								
	Report surgical implant procedures using codes in this section; prosthetic devices should be reported using existing fixed or removable prosthetic codes								
	Endosteal implants								
	Endosteal dental implants are placed into the alveolar and/or basal bone of the mandible or maxilla and transect only one cortical plate								
8194	Placement of a single osseo-integrated implant per jaw	1 392.98			т	S			

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
8195	Placement of a second osseo-integrated implant in	1 044.74			T	s
ļ	the same jaw					-
8196	Placement of a third and subsequent osseo- integrated implant in the same jaw per implant	697.37			T	
8197		Rule 013				
8198	Exposure of a single osseo-integrated implant and placement of a transmucosal element	515.79			Т	S
8199	Exposure of a second osseo-integrated implant and placement of a transmucosal element in the same jaw	389.47			Т	S
8200	Exposure of a third and subsequent osseo- integrated implant in the same jaw, per implant	257.02			Т	S
	Eposteal implants					
	Eposteal (subperiosteal) dental implants receive their primary bone support by means of resting on the alveolar bone					
	See the specialist maxillo-facial and oral surgeons schedule					
	Transosteal implants					
	Transosteal dental implants penetrate both cortical plates and pass through the full thickness of the alveolar bone See the specialist maxillo-facial and oral surgeons schedule					
	I. PROSTHODONTICS, FIXED					
	The words 'bridge' and 'bridgework' have been replaced by the statement 'fixed partial denture' Each abutment and each pontic constitutes a unit in a fixed partial denture					
	Fixed partial denture pontics					
8420	Sanitary pontic	813.16		+L	Т	A
8422	Posterior pontic	1 087.72		+L	Т	Α
8424	Anterior pontic (including premolars)	1 361.40		+L	Т	A
	Fixed partial denture retainers – inlays/onlays					
	See inlay/onlay restorations for inlay/onlay retainers					
8356	Bridge per abutment - only applicable to Maryland type bridges	650.00		+L	Т	A
	Only applicable to Maryland type bridges. Report per abutment. Report pontics separately (see codes 8420, 8422 and 8424)					
	Fixed partial denture retainers – crowns					
	See crowns, single restorations for crown retainers					
8193	Osseo-integrated abutment restoration, per abutment	2 163.16		+L	Т	А
	See the 'General Practioner's Guidelines to the correct use of treatment codes' for the application(s) of this code					
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
	J. MAXILLO-FACIAL AND ORAL SURGERY					
	See the specialist maxillo-facial and oral surgeons schedule for surgical services not listed in this schedule					
	Extractions					
8201	Single tooth	140.36			т	в
8202	Code 8201 is charged for the first extraction in a quadrant Each additional tooth in the same quadrant Code 8202 is charged for each additional extraction in the same quadrant.	56.14			Т	В
	Surgical extractions (includes routine postoperative care)					
	Code 8220 is applicable when sutures are provided by practitioner (Rule 013)					
8209	Surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring elevation of mucoperiosteal flap, removal of bone and/or section of tooth Includes cutting of gingiva and bone, removal of tooth structure and	607.89			Т	S
	closure	4 997 99			-	
8210 8211	Removal of unerupted or impacted tooth – first tooth Removal of unerupted or impacted tooth – second tooth	1 007.02 541.23			T	S S
8212	Removal of unerupted or impacted tooth - each additional tooth	306.14			Т	s
8213	Surgical removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure)				Т	S
8214	Includes cutting of gingiva and bone, removal of tooth structure and closure Surgical removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure), each subsequent tooth Includes cutting of gingiva and bone, removal of tooth structure and closure				Т	S
	Other surgical procedures					
8188	Biopsy – intra-oral This item does not include the cost of the essential pathological	360.53				S
8215	evaluations Surgical exposure of impacted or unerupted teeth for orthodontic reasons	1 165.79			т	s
	Reduction of dislocation and management of other temporomandibular joint dysfunction					
8169	Bite plate for the treatment of TMJ dysfunction, or occlusal guards.	541.23		+L		в
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes	MP	TC
8192	<b>Repair of traumatic wounds</b> Appositioning (i.e., suturing) of soft tissue injuries	697.37			s
	K. ORTHODONTICS See the specialist orthodontist schedule for orthodontic services				
	L. ADJUNCTIVE GENERAL SERVICES Unclassified treatment				
*8131	Palliative (emergency) treatment for dental pain This is typically reported on a "per visit" basis of emergency treatment of dental pain where no other treatment item is applicable or applied for treatment on the same tooth.	140.35		т	В
8221	Local treatment of post-extraction haemorrhage - initial visit (Excluding treatment of bleeding in the case of blood dyscrasias, e.g.	100.88			S
8223	haemophilia) Local treatment of post-extraction haemorrhage – each additional visit	68.42			S
8225	Treatment of septic socket - initial visit	100.88			s
8227	Treatment of septic socket – each additional visit	68.42			S
	Anaesthesia				
*8141 *8143	Inhalation sedation first quarter-hour or part thereof Inhalation sedation – each additional quarter-hour or part thereof No additional fee/benefit to be charged for gases used in the case of items 8141 and 8143	100. <b>88</b> 51.75			B B
8144	Intravenous sedation	65.79			В
8147	Use of own monitoring equipment in rooms for procedures performed under intravenous sedation	207.89			В
8145 *	Local anaesthetic, per visit Code 8145 includes the use of the Wand.	24.56			В
8499	The relevant NDA/Dental Board services shall apply to general anaesthetics for dental procedures				
	Professional consultations		1		
8106	Provision of a written treatment plan and quotation where prior authorisation is required by medical schemes	235.96			А
	This code is not applicable to routine enquines to assess benefit available, or responses to enquines of medical schemes to verify charges by dental practitioners. Also not applicable to furnishing copies of existing and necessary record				

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes	N	1F
	Professional visits				
8129	Additional fee/benefit for emergency treatment rendered outside normal working hours (including emergency treatment carried out at hospital) Not applicable where a practice offers an extended hours service as the norm.	344.74			
8140	Fee for treatment at a venue other than the surgery, inclusive of hospital visits, treatment under general anaesthetic, home visits; per visit. Code 8140 may be applied concurrent with codes 8101 or 8104, but in accordance with rule 001.	230.70			•
	Drugs, medicaments and materials				
8183	Intra-muscular or sub-cutaneous injection therapy, per injection (Not applicable to local anaesthetic)	65.79			
8220	Use of suture provided by practitioner	Rule 013			
8310	Supply of bleaching materials	Rule 013			
	Miscellaneous services				
8105	Appointment not kept – per half-hour (By arrangement with patient)	140.35			
8109	Infection control, per dentist, per hygienist, per dental assistant, per visit Code 8109 includes the provision by the dentist of new rubber gloves, masks, etc. for each patient	17.54			
*8110	Provision of sterilized and wrapped instrumentation in consulting rooms	56.14			
	The use of this code is limited to heat, autoclave or vapour sterilized and wrapped instruments				
8167	Treatment of hypersensitive dentine, per visit	107.89			
•8168	Behaviour management by report May be reported in addition to treatment provided. Should be reported in 15 minute increment.	96.49			
	Notes: If requested, the report must be made available at no charge.				
	The use of this code is limited to general dental practitioners and specialists in community dentistry. Limitation:				
	May be reported in addition to treatment provided, when the patient is developmentally disabled, mentally ill, or is especially uncooperative and difficult to manage, resulting in the dental staff providing additional time, skill and/or assistance to render treatment.				
	The code can only be billed where an office treatment requires extraordinary effort and is the only alternative to general anaesthesia. Includes any and all pharmacological, psychological, physical management adjuncts requires or utilized.				

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс		
8170 8171 8304	(Not applicable to adjustment of restorations placed as part of a current treatment plan) Mouth protectors	321.93 140.35 114.04		+L		B B B		
	JIE ORAL PATHOLOGISTS							
	PREAMBLE See Rule 012 In cases where services are not listed in this sched medical schedule(s) for pathologists shall be charg medical schedule(s) must be indicated							
11	ORAL PATHOLO	GISTS						
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	TC		
9201 9203 9205 9207	Consultation at rooms Consultation at hospital, nursing home or house Subsequent consultation Night consultation	260.53 297.37 194.74 423.68						

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111	SPECIALIST PROSTHO (M) See Rule 0					
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP MD	TC BK
	A. DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES					
8501	Consultation	257.89				A
8107	Intra-oral radiographs, per film	89.47				в
8108	Maximum for 8107	721.93				в
8113	Occlusal radiographs	140.35				в
8114	Hand-wrist radiograph	370.18				A
8115	Extra-oral radiograph, per film (i.e. Panoramic, cephalometric, PA)	370.18				В
8811	Tracing and analysis of extra-oral film	42.98				в
8117	Study models - unmounted	100.88		+L		В
8119	Study models - mounted on adjustable articulator	260.53		+L		В
8121	Diagnostic photographs, per photograph	100.88				В
8503	Occlusal analysis on adjustable articulator	531.58				A
8505	Pantographic recording	776.32				A
8507	Examination, diagnosis and treatment planning	531.58				A
8506	Detailed clinical examination, records, radiographic interpretation, diagnosis, treatment planning and case presentation	876.32				A
	Code 8506 is a separate procedure from 8507 and is applicable to craniomandibular disorders, implant placement or orthognathic surgery where extensive restorative procedures will be required					
(M)	In the case of treatment planning requiring the combined services of a Prosthodontist and/or Orthodontist and/or a Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgeon, Modifier 8009 (75%) may be applied to the fee charged by each specialist					
8508	Electrognathographic recording	832.46				A
8509	Electrognathographic recording with computer analysis	1 383.33				A
8510	Appointment not kept - per half-hour (By arrangement with patient)	211.40				
	B. PREVENTIVE PROCEDURES					
8711	Oral hygiene instruction The patient must be informed prior to the service being rendered that a fee will be levied for oral hygiene instruction	234.21				В
8713	Oral hygiene evaluation	154.39				в
8155	Polishing only (including removal of plaque) - complete dentition	140.35				В
8159	Scaling and polishing Where item 8159 is applied, Item 8155 can not be charged	260.53				В

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111	SPECIALIST PROSTHO (M) See Rule 0					
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP MD	TC BK
8161	Topical application of fluoride preparations - complete dentition	140.35				в
8163	(Excluding scaling and/or polishing) Fissure sealant, per tooth Chargeable to a maximum of two teeth per quadrant	89.47			Т	в
8165	Application of fluoride using laboratory processed applicators	165.79		+L		В
8167 8171		107.89 140.35		+L		B B
	C. TREATMENT PROCEDURES					
8511	Emergency treatment Emergency treatment for relief of pain (where no	325.44				B
	other tariff item is applicable					_
8513	Emergency crown (Not applicable to temporary crowns placed during routine crown and bridge preparations)	541.23		+L	Т	A
8515 8517	<b>3</b>	207.89 557.89		+L	T T	B S
	Provisional treatment					
8521 8523	Provisional splinting – extracoronal wire, per sextant Provisional splinting – extracoronal wire plus resin, per sextant	283.33 650.00				A A
8527	•	207.89		+L		A
*8529	Provisional crown Crown utilized as an interim restoration of at least six weeks during restorative treatment to allow adequate time for healing or completion of other procedures. This includes, but is not limited to, changing vertical dimension, completing periodontal therapy or cracked tooth syndrome. This is not to be used as a	531.58	•	+L	Т	A
8530	temporary crown for a routine prosthetic restoration	452.63			т	A

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Code	Procedure description	<u>N\$</u>		1	MP	тс
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	Occlusal ądjustment					
8551	Major occlusal adjustment This procedure can not be carried out without study models mounted on an adjustable articulator	1 526.32				A
8553	Minor occlusal adjustment	485.96				A
	Ceramic and/or resin bonded inlays and veneers:					
	In some of the procedures below (e.g. Direct hybrid inlays) +L may not apply.					
8554	Bonded veneers	1 853.51		+L	Т	1 1
8555	One surface	1 337.72		+L	Т	A
8556	Two surfaces	1 676.32		+L	Т	A
8557	Three surfaces	2 600.88		+L	Т	A
8558	Four or more surfaces	2 600.88		+L	Т	A
8560	Cost of ceramic block	Rule 013			Т	A
	Applicable to computer generated prosthesis only					
	Gold foil restorations					
8561	Class I and Class VI	1 397.37		1	Т	A
8563	Class V	1 635.09			Т	A
8565	Class III	2 052.63			Т	A
	Gold restorations					
8571	One surface	967.54		+L	Т	A
8572	Two surfaces	1 397.37		+L		A
8573	Three surfaces	2 163.16		+L	1	A
8574	Four or more surfaces	2 163.16		+L	Т	А
8577	Pin retention	321.93			Т	A
	Posts and copings					
8581	Single post	541.23		+L	Т	A
8582	Double post	776.32		+L		A
8583	Triple post	967.54		+L	Т	A
8587	Copings	444.74		+L	8	A
8589	Cast core with pins	763.16		+L	Т	A
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Code	Procedure description	N\$ NDA	Notes		MP MD	тс вк
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	Preformed posts and cores					
8591	Core build-up, including any pins/ Refers to building up of anatomical crown when restorative crown will be placed, whether or not pins are used	531.58			Т	В
8593	Prefabricated post and core in addition to crown Core is built around a prefabricated post(s).	576.32			т	В
8596	Cost of posts Applicable to pre-fabricated noble metal, ceramic, indium and pure titanium posts	Rule 013			т	A
	Implants					
8592	Osseo-integrated abutment restoration, per abutment	3 243.86		+L	Т	A
8600 8590	Cost of implant components Periodic maintenance of existing implant prosthesis, per abutment	Rule 013 207.89			Т	A
9190	Exposure of a single osseo-integrated implant and placement of a transmucosal element	769.30				S
9191	placement of a transmucosal element in the same	580.70				S
9192	jaw Exposure of a third and subsequent osseo- integrated implant in the same jaw, per implant	389.47				s
	Connectors					
8597	Locks and milled rests	218.72		+L	Т	A
8599		531.58		+L	т	A
	Crowns					
8601		2 704.39		+L	Т	А
8603	÷	2 704.39		+L	T	A
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	Bridges _					
	(Retainers as above)					
8611	Sanitary pontic	1 635.09		+L	T	A
8613	Posterior pontic	1 997.37		+L	T	Α
8615	Anterior pontic	2 163.16		+L	Т	A
	Resin bonded retainers					
8617	Per abutment	1 397.37		+L	Т	A
0017	Per pontic (see 8611, 8613, 8615	1 007.07				
8618	Resin bonding for restorations	179.82				
	Applicable to any metal restorations, crowns or conventional bridges, per abutment except Maryland type bridges					1
	Conservative treatment for temporomandibular joint dysfunction					
8625	Bite plate for TMJ dysfunction	808.77		+L		8
8621	First visit for treatment of TMJ dysfunction	370.18				S
8623	Follow-up visit for TMJ dysfunction	194.74				S
	The number of visits and charge therefore depends on the relation between the practitioner and the patient, and the problems involved in the case					
	Endodontic and bleaching procedures, etc.					
	ROOT CANAL THERAPY					
	Procedure codes 8631, 8633 and 8636 include all X-rays and repeat visits					
8631	Root canal therapy, first canal	1 912.28			т	В
8633	Each additional canal	475.44			Т	В
8636	Re-preparation of previously obturated canal, per canal	309.65			Т	В
	BLEACHING					
(M)	Modifier 8002 is applicable to procedure codes 8325, 8327					
8325	Bleaching of non-vital teeth, per tooth as a separate procedure	357.89			Т	A
8327	Each additional visit for bleaching of non-vital tooth as a separate procedure	165.79				A
	A maximum of two additional visits may be charged					
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511	SPECIALIST PROSTHO (M) See Rule 0					
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP MD	TC BK
8308	Bleaching of vital teeth, per arch, per visit The unpredictability and lack of permanence of this procedure should be pointed out, and alternative procedures discussed with the patient OTHER ENDODONTIC PROCEDURE	196.49				A
8635		314.04			T	в
8637	1 · · · · · · · · ·	1 047.37			Ť	A
9015	Apicectomy including retrograde root filling where necessary - anterior teeth	1 047.37			т	S
9016	Apicectomy including retrograde root filling where necessary - posterior teeth	2 096.49			т	S
8640	Removal of fractured post or instrument from root canal	557.89			Т	В
	Prosthetics (Removable)					
8641	Complete upper and lower dentures without primary complications	5 414.04		+L		В
8643	Complete upper and lower dentures without major complications	7 025.44		+L		В
8645	Complete upper and lower dentures with major complications			+L		В
8647	complications			+L		В
8649	Complete upper or lower denture without major complications			+L		В
8651 8661	Complete upper or lower denture with major complications Diagnostic dentures (inclusive of tissue conditioning	4 781.58 4 326.32		+L +L		B
8662	treatment	622.81		+L +L		A B
8663	Chrome cobalt base or gold base for full denture (extra charge			+L		I
8664	Remount of crown or bridge for extensive prosthetics	622.81	,			А
8665	Re-base, per denture	876.32		+L		в
8667	Soft base, per denture (heat cured)	1 300.00		+L		в
8668	Tissue conditioner, per denture	321.93				в
8669		479.82				в
8671	Metal (e.g. Chrome cobalt or gold) partial denture	4 326.32		+L		В
8672	Additional fee/benefit for altered cast technique for partial denture	168.42		+L		В

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111 111	SPECIALIST PROSTHO (M) See Rule 0					
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP MD	TC BK
8674	Additive partial denture	1 962.28		+L		В
8679	Repairs	218.42		+L		В
8273	Additional fee/benefit where impression is required for 8679 -	100.88		+L		В
8275	Adjustment of denture (After six months or for a patient of another practitioner)	100.88				В
	D. MAXILLO-FACIAL PROSTHODONTIC PROSTHESES		· <u>·</u> ··································			
	Where "+D" appears the practitioner will charge the relevant fee/benefit for the denture in the Prosthodontic Schedule plus the fee/benefit indicated					
	Maxillary prostheses					
9101	Surgical obturator - Modified denture	321.93		+L		
9102	Surgical obturator - continuous base	876.32		+L		
9103	Surgical obturator - split base	1 298.25		+L		
9104	Interim obturator on existing denture	1 950.88		+L		
9105	Interim obturator on new denture	6 060.53		+L		
9106	Definitive obturator - open/ hollow box	1 962.28		+D		
9107	Definitive obturator - silicone glove	2 278.07		+D		
	Mandibular resection prostheses					
9108	Prosthesis with guide flange	4 650.00		+L		
9109	Prosthesis without guide flange	4 326.32		+L		
9110	Prosthesis - Palatal augmentation	875.44		+D		
	Glossal resection prostheses					
9111	Simple prosthesis.	1 817.54		+D		
9112	Complex prosthesis	2 724.56		+D		
	Radiotherapy appliances					
9113	Carriers - simple	1 962.28		+L		
9114		5 414.04		+L		
9115	· · ·	1 962.28		+L		
9116	Shields - complex	5 414.04		+L		
9117	Cone locators	1 962.28		+L		
	Chemotherapy appliances					

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111	SPECIALIST PROSTHO (M) See Rule 00					
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP MD	TC BK
9118	Chemotherapeutic agent carriers	1 962.28		+L		
	Cleft palate prostheses					:
8855	Consultation and therapy at hospital/ nursing home/ residence	444.74				
8856	Subsequent consultation	218.42				
8857	Weekly maximum	1 529.82				
	Neonatal prostheses					
9119	Passive presurgical prosthesis/ Neonatal feeding aid	1 738.60		+L		
9120	Active presurgical orthopaedic appliance - minor	1 738.60		+L		
9121	Active presurgical orthopaedic appliance - moderate	2 572.81		+L		
9122 9123	Active presurgical orthopaedic appliance - severe Active presurgical orthopaedic appliance adjustment	4 326.32 218.42		+L		
	Intermediate/Definitive prostheses					
9125	Speech aid/obturator with palatal modification	876.32		+D		
9126	Speech aid/obturator with velar modification	1 962.28		+D		
9127	Speech aid/ obturator with pharyngeal modification	4 326.32		+D		
9128		218.42				
9129		1 738.60		+L		
0.4.0.0	Speech appliances	070.00				
9130 9131	Palatal lift Palatal stimulating	876.32 1 962.28		+D +D		
	Palatal stimulating Speech bulb	4 326.32		+D		
	Adjustments	218.42				
9134	Other	na		+L		
	(By arrangement)					
	Extra-oral appliances					
1	Auricular prosthesis - simple	5 414.04		+L		
	Auricular prosthesis - complex	7 025.44		+L		
9137		5 414.04		+L		
9138		7 025.44		+L		
9139	Ocular prosthesis - conformer	1 962.28 4 866.67		+L		
9140	Ocular prosthesis using modified stock appliance	4 000.07		+L		

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes	MP MD	TC BK
9141	Ocular prosthesis using custom appliance	7 025.44	+L		
9142	Orbital prosthesis - simple (excluding ocular section	4 866.67	+L		
9143	Orbital prosthesis - complex (excluding ocular section	7 025.44	+L		
9144	Combination facial prostheses - small	na	+L		
9145	Combination facial prostheses - medium	na	+L		
9146	Combination facial prostheses - large	na	+L		
9147	Combination facial prostheses - complex	na	+L		
9148	Other body prostheses - simple	4 866.67	+L		
9149	Other body prostheses - complex	7 025.44	+L		
9150	Surgical facial prostheses - simple	3 785.09	+L		
9151	Surgical facial prostheses - complex	4 866.67	+L		
9152 (M)	Additional prostheses (from mould at time of first prosthesis)		+L		
9153 (M)	Replacement prosthesis (from original mould)	M 8006	+L		
9155	Cranial prosthesis	1 962.28	+L		
	Custom implants		1		
9156	Cranial - acrylic, elastomeric, metallic	4 507.89	+L		
9157	Facial - simple	1 214.04	+L		
	Facial - complex	2 437.72	+L		
9159	Ocular - custom made	1 214.04	+L		
9160	Body - special prosthesis	5 414.04	.+L		
	Surgical appliances				
9161	Splints - simple	531.58	+L		
9162	Splints - complex	1 962.28	+L		
9163	Templates - simple	531.58	+L		
9164	Templates - complex	1 962.28	+L		
9165	Conformers - simple	531.58	+L		
9166	Conformers - complex	1 962.28	+L		
	Trismus appliances				
9167	Trismus appliance - simple	218.42	+L		1
9168	Trismus appliance - complex	1 9 <b>62</b> .28	+L		
9169	Orthoses (for paralysed patients)	4 326.32	+L		
9170	Facial palsy appliances	1 299.12	+D		
9171	Oral splints (per commissure)	531.58	+L		
9172	Dynamic oral retractors (per arm)	531.58	+L	1	

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111	SPECIALIST PROSTHO (M) See Rule 0					
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP MD	TC BK
9173		na		+L		
9174	Other	na		+L		1
	Attendance in theatre					
9175	Attendance in theatre, per hour	715.79				
	IV. SPECIALISTS IN ORAL MEDICINE AND PERIO	INDUNUES CP	FRIDDON		Sec.	1.5.1
	PREAMBLE					
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
	DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES					
	Codes 8701, 8703, 8705 and 8707 cannot be charged at one and the same visit					
8701	Consultation A periodontal consultation comprises a reasonably detailed examination and presentation and explanation of the findings to enable the patient to make a decision as to future treatment	260.53				A
8107	Intra-oral radiographs, per film	89.47				В
8108	Maximum for 8107	721.93				В
8113	Occlusal radiographs	140.35				В
8114	Hand-wrist radiograph	370.18				A
8115	Extra-oral radiograph, per film (i.e. panoramic, cephalometric, PA)	370.18				В
8811	Tracing and analysis of extra-oral film	42.98				в
8117	Study models - unmounted	100.88	,	+L		В
8119	Study models - mounted on adjustable articulator	260.53		• ⊑ +L		B
8140	Fee for treatment at a venue other than the surgery, inclusive of hospital visits, treatment under general anaesthetic, home visits; per visit	230.70		· •		В
*8703	Detailed clinical examination, records, radiographic interpretation, probing, percussion, diagnosis, treatment planning and case presentation for periodontal and/or implant cases	876.32				A
	Code 8703 is always a separate procedure from code 8701 and comprises inspection, percussion, probing and other diagnostic procedures and the systematic recording of every important feature in order to permit correct treatment planning					
8705	11	260.53				A
8706	Appointment not kept - per half-hour (By arrangement with patient)	211.40				
8707	Periodontal screening	260.63				В
	A periodontal screening consists of the measurement and recording of a plaque index, a bleeding index, probing depths, a periodontal disease index, a microbiological assay and/or gingival crevicular fluid assay					
8711	Oral hygiene instruction The patient must be informed prior to the service being rendered that a fee	234.21				В
8713	will be levied for oral hygiene instruction Oral hygiene evaluation	154.39				в
07.1	(If oral hygiene re-instruction is necessary, only Item 8711 shall apply)					_
8714	Full mouth clinical plaque removal	218.42				В
8715	Scaling	442.98				B
8721	Occlusal adjustment per visit	488.60				A
8723	Provisional splinting - extracoronal wire, per sextant	444.74		+L		A
8725	Provisional splinting - extracoronal wire plus resin, per sextant	646.49		+L		A
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
8727	Provisional splinting - intracoronal wire or pins or cast bar, plus amalgam or resin, per dental unit included in the splint	207.89		+L		A
	TEMPOROMANDIBULAR JOINT PROCEDURES					
8625	Bite plate for TMJ dysfunction	808.77		+L		В
	SURGICAL PROCEDURES					
8731	Periodontal abscess - treatment of acute phase (with or without flap procedure)	385.09				A
8737	Root planing with or without periodontal curettage, per quadrant	876.32				A
8739	Root planing with or without periodontal curettage, per sextant	697.37				A
8741	Gingivectomy-gingivoplasty, per quadrant	1 152.63				А
8743	Gingivectomy-gingivoplasty, per sextant	915.79				А
*8749	Flap operation with root planing and curettage and which may include not more than 3 of the following: bone contouring, chemical treatment of root surfaces, root resection, tooth hemisection, a mucogingival procedure, wedge resection, clinical crown lengthening, per quadrant	2 617.54				A
*8751		2 163.16				Α
*8753	Flap operation with root planing and curettage and which may include more than 3 of the following: bone contouring, chemical treatment of root surfaces, root resection, tooth hemisection, a mucogingival procedure, wedge resection, clinical crown lengthening, per quadrant	3 240.35				A
*8755	As item 8753, per sextant	2 626.32				А
*	NOTES 1. Each root resection, tooth hemisection, muco-gingival procedure, wedge resection, clinical crown lengthening and apicectomy shall be deemed to be one procedure					
	<ol><li>Where a bone regeneration/ repair procedure is included within a flap operation, item 8766 shall apply in addition to the item for the flap operation</li></ol>					
	<ol> <li>Where an apicectomy is included with a flap operation either code 8760 or code 8764 with modifier 8006 shall apply in addition to the item for the flap operation.</li> </ol>					
8756	Flap operation with bone removal to increase the clinical crown length of a single tooth (as an isolated procedure)	1 591.23				A
8757	Frenectomy	1 280.70				Α
8758	Surgical exposure of impacted or unerupted teeth for orthodontic reasons	1 476.49				А
8759	Pedicle flapped graft e.g. lateral sliding double papilla, rotated and similar (as an isolated procedure)	1 200.00				A
*8761	Masticatory mucosal autograft extending across not more than 4 teeth (isolated procedure).	1 413.16		+L		A

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	TC			
*8762	Masticatory mucosal autograft extending more than 4 teeth across (isolated procedure)	1 956.14		+L		A			
•8772	Submucosal connective tissue autograft (isolated procedure)	1 154.82							
•8773	Cost of intrapocket chemotherapeutic agent Used to report intrapocket chemotherapeutic agent provided by the practitioner	Rule 013				A			
8763	Wedge resection (as an isolated procedure)	763.16		1	Т	A			
8760	Apicoectomy including retrograde filling where necessary - anterior teeth	1 007.89			Т	S			
	When code 8764 is part of a flap operation that requires an apisectomy, Modifier 8006 applies								
8764 +	necessary, posterior teeth When code 8760 is part of a flap operation that requires an apisectomy,	2 096.49			Т	S			
8765		1 047.37			т	A			
8766	preparation (as an isolated procedure) Bone regenerative/ repair procedure excluding cost of regenerative material as part of a flap operation as described in Items 8749, 8751, 8753 and 8755, per procedure	625.44				А			
8770	•	Rule 013							
8768	Any other periodontal procedure involving a single tooth	763.16			т	A			
8979	Harvesting of autogenous grafts (intra-oral)	410.53				s			
9008	Alveolar ridge augmentation across 1 to 2 adjacent tooth sites			+L		S			
9009	Alveolar ridge augmentation across 3 or more tooth sites			+L		S			
9010	Sinus lift procedure	3 179.82		+L		S			
	IMPLANT PROCEDURES								
9182	Frank Frank	1 632.46		+L	1	s			
9183	jaw	2 086.84				S			
9184	Placement of a second osseo-integrated implant in the same jaw					S			
9185	integrated implant in the same jaw, per implant	1 044.74				S			
9189	•	Rule 013			ĮĮ	S			
9190	placement of a transmucosal element	769.30				S			
9191	Exposure of a second osseo-integrated implant and placement of a transmucosal element in the same jaw	580.70				S			
9192	Exposure of a third and subsequent osseo- integrated implant in the same jaw, per implant	389.47				S			
•9198	-	933.33				S			
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс	
8767	This procedure involves the surgical removal of an implant i.e. cutting of soft tissue and bone, removal of implant and closure. Bone regenerative/ repair procedure at a single site (Excluding cost of regenerative material - see code 8770)	1 621.05				A	
8769	Subsequent removal of membrane used for guided tissue regeneration procedure Codes 8761, 8767 and 8769 to be used only as part of implant surgery	763.16				A	
	ORAL MEDICAL PROCEDURES						
8781	Consultation, examination, diagnosis and treatment of oral diseases, pathological conditions of the surrounding tissues, temporomandibular joint disorders or myofascial pain-dysfunction: Straight forward case					S	
8782	Consultation, examination, diagnosis and treatment of oral diseases, pathological conditions of the surrounding tissues, temporomandibular joint disorders or myofascial pain dysfunction: Complex case					S	
8783	Subsequent consultation for same disease/condition	194.74				S .	
8785	Biopsy - incisional/excisional (e.g. epulis)	541.23				S	
8786	Surgical treatment of soft tissue tumours (e.g. epulis	935.09				S	
8787	Any other procedure connected with the practice of oral medicine	272.81				S	

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	V. SPECIALIST ORTHODONTISTS
	PREAMBLE
(1)	Where an invoice refers to orthodontic services, a statement containing the following information shall accompany the first invoice to the member of the scheme/
	(a) the code number of the envisaged treatment
	(b) a plan of treatment indicating the following/
	(i) the total tariff that would be charged by the practitioner for the treatment
	(ii) the duration of the treatment
	(iii) the initial primary tariff payable by the member; and
(2)	(iv) the monthly tariff which the member must pay
(2)	The fee for corrective therapy (i.e. codes 8861 to 8888) is an inclusive fee and no additional fees may be charged for additional visits (Code 8803), oral hygiene instructions/re-evaluation (Codes 8151 and 8153), scaling and/or polishing (Codes 8155 and 8159) or topical application of fluoride (Code 8161) until the treatment is completed.
(3)	When partial fixed appliance therapy or preliminary treatment (8858, 8861, 8865 or 8866) is followed by full fixed appliance treatment (8873 to 8888) the fee initially charged for 8858, 8861, 8865 or 8866 is deducted from the full fixed appliance fee and the remainder then becomes the fee charged for the second stage of full fixed appliance therapy
(4)	If more than one of the stages of treatment of a multiphase treatment procedure is carried out by the same orthodontist, then the total fee should not exceed the fee laid down by the original classification at current values, save in exceptional circumstances, e.g. cleft palate treatment
(5)	The fees for services covered under the heading 'Fixed appliance therapy' (items 8861 and 8865 to 8887) shall be charged over the period of treatment in a manner to be determined by the individual orthodontist
(6)	If treatment is discontinued prior to its completion, the balance of the fee shall be assessed on the basis of the services rendered up to the time of termination
(7)	There are no specific codes for orthodontic treatment in the general practitioners' schedule, and
(M)	the general practitioner must refer to the specialist orthodontists schedule. The codes for the treatment must be quoted together with Modifier 8004 (See Rules 009 and 011). This denotes that a general practitioner is delivering the treatment and the fee is calculated as up to two-
	thirds of the appropriate specialists fee. Where "+L" is denoted this can be added on to the two-thirds fee. If "+L" is not denoted then this is incorporated in the appropriate two-thirds fee and cannot be added to the invoice

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SPECIALIST ORTHODONTISTS v (M) See Rule 009 N\$ MP TC Code Procedure description NDA CONSULTATIONS 260.53 8801 First consultation А Subsequent consultation, retention and/ 194.74 8803 or post-Α treatment consultation 211.40 8805 Appointment not kept - per half-hour (By arrangement with patient) **RECORDS AND INVESTIGATIONS** 89.47 8107 Intra-oral radiographs, per film в 8108 Maximum for 8107 721.93 В В 140.35 8113 Occlusal radiograph 8114 Hand-wrist radiograph 370.18 А 8115 Extra-oral radiograph, per film 370.18 В (i.e. panoramic, cephalometric, PA) 8811 Tracing and analysis of extra-oral film 42.98 В 8117 Study models - unmounted 100.88 +L в 8119 Study models - mounted on adjustable articulator 260.53 +L В 8121 Diagnostic photographs, per photograph 100.88 В 8837 154.39 Diagnosis and treatment planning А 8839 Orthodontic diagnostic setup 325.44 A ORTHOGNATHIC SURGERY AND TREATMENT PLANNING In the case of treatment planning requiring the combined services of a (M) Prosthodontist and/or Orthodontist and/or a Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgeon, Modifier 8009 (75%) may be applied to the fee charged by each specialist 8840 1 130.70 Α Treatment planning for orthognathic surgery +L **RETAINERS, REPAIRS AND/OR REPLACEMENTS** 8846 **Removable: Repairs** 222.81 +L А 8847 Removable: Replacement 763.16 A +L 8848 325.44 Fixed: Repair or replacement per unit А (As a result of the patient's negligence) 8849 Retainer 763.16 +L A **CORRECTIVE THERAPY** Treatment of MPDS 8850 First consultation 370.18 А 8851 Subsequent consultation 194.74 А 8852 Bite plate for TMJ dysfunction 808.77 В +L

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Code	Procedure description	NDA		MP	TC
	Occlusal adjustment				
8853 8854		1 526.32 485.96			A A
	Cleft palate therapy				
8855	Consultation and therapy at hospital, nursing home, or residence	444.74			s
8856	•	218.42 1 529.82			S S
8857	,	1 529.62			3
9119	Neonatal prostheses	1 738.60	+L		
9120		1 738.60	+L		S S
9120	Active presurgical orthopaedic appliance - million	2 572.81	+L		s
9121		4 326.32	+L		S
9122		218.42			S
9123	NOTE	210.42			3
	Subsequent treatment as per schedule				
	Removable appliance therapy				
8862	Removable (single)	2 700.00	+L		A
8863	Removable (per additional)	1 361.40	+L		A
	(Code 8862 may only be charged once per malocclusion. A maximum of two additional removable appliances per treatment plan may be charged				
	Functional appliance therapy				
	A removable functional appliance is an appliance with no fixed dental component which is designed to harness the forces generated by the muscles of mastication and the associated soft tissues of the oro-facial region. This appliance incorporates components which act on both the maxillary and mandibular arch and should be differentiated from a simple removable appliance including appliances incorporating an anterior and posterior bite plane				
8858	Functional appliance	4 873.68	+L		Α
	If additional functional appliances are required, +L can be charged but no further fee/benefit				
	Fixed appliance therapy				
	Partial fixed appliance therapy - Preliminary treatment				
	The intention of this phase in treatment is to intersept and modify the development of skeletal, dental and functional components of developing malocclusion usually in the mixed dentition				
	The application of codes 8865 and/or 8866 requires the use of fixed bands and/or brackets as a major component of the appliances				
8865	Maxillary or mandibular arch	8 647.37			Α
8866	Combined maxillary and mandibular arch	11			A
		886.84			
8861	Minor fixed appliance	3 240.35			A
8861	Minor fixed appliance				

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Code	Procedure description	NDA	MP	тС
8867 8868 8869	Comprehensive fixed appliance therapy This form of therapy requires the placement of fixed bands and or brackets on the majority of teeth within each arch and the subsequent placement of active arch wires to treat the case through to completion of active treatment excluding the retention phase SINGLE ARCH TREATMENT Mild Moderate Severe	9 294.74 11 464.04 13		A A
	COMBINED MAXILLARY AND MANDIBULAR ARCH THERAPY	408.77		
8873	Mild	17		А
8875	Moderate	011.40 20		A
8877	Severe	876.32 24		А
8879	Severe plus complications	336.84 27 350.00		Α
	CLASS II AND III MALOCCLUSIONS			
8881	Mild	24		А
8883	Moderate	336.00 27 350.00		A
8885	Severe	30		A
8887	Severe plus complications	707.00 34 597.37		A
	Lingual orthodontics This form of therapy requires the placement of bands and or brackets on the lingual aspect of the majority of teeth within at least one arch and must include the placement of active arch wires SINGLE ARCH TREATMENT			
8841	Mild	17		А
8842	Moderate	468.00 20		A
8843	Severe	528.07 23 385.96		A
	COMBINED MAXILLARY AND MANDIBULAR ARCH THERAPY			
	CLASS I MALOCCLUSIONS			

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Code	Procedure description	NDA		MP	тс	
8874	Mild	33 318.42			A	
8876	Moderate	39			A	
8878	Severe	012.28 44			A	
8880	Severe plus complications	274.56 49 124.56			A	
	CLASS II AND III MALOCCLUSIONS					
8882	Mild	40 671.05			A	
8884	Moderate	45 496.49			A	
8886	Severe	50 667.54			A	
8888	Severe plus complications	56 385.96			A	
	OTHER ORTHODONTIC SERVICES					
8890	Monthly payment for treatment (Refer to code number of treatment)	By arrangement			A	
8891		By arrangement				
8892	Re-treatment	By arrangement				

	VI. SPECIALIST MAXILLO-FACIAL AND ORAL SURGEONS
	PREAMBLE
	(See Rule 011)
1. (M)	If extractions (codes 8201 and 8202) are carried out by specialists in maxillo- facial and o surgery, the fees shall be equal to the appropriate tariff fee plus 50 per cent (See Modifi 8002)
2. (M)	The fee for more than one operation or procedure performed through the same incision shall calculated as the fee for the major operation plus the tariff fee for the subsidiary operation to t indicated maximum for each such subsidiary operation or procedure (See Modifier 8005)
3. (M)	The fee for more than one operation or procedure performed under the same anaesthetic but throu another incision shall be calculated on the tariff fee for the major operation plus: 75% for the second procedure/operation (Modifier 8009)
	50% for the third and subsequent procedures/operations (Modifier 8006)
	This rule shall not apply where two or more unrelated operations are performed by practitioners different specialities, in which case each practitioner shall be entitled to the full fee for his operation If, within four months, a second operation for the same condition or injury is performed, the fee for the same condition or injury is performed.
	second operation shall be half of that for the first operation The fee for an operation shall, unless otherwise stated, include normal post-operative care for a peri not exceeding four months. If a practitioner does not himself complete the post-operative care, he sh arrange for it to be completed without extra charge: provided that in the case of post-operative treatme of a prolonged or specialised nature, such fee as may be agreed upon between the practitioner and t scheme may be charged
4. (M)	The fee payable to a general practitioner assistant shall be calculated as 15% of the fee of the practitioner performing the operation, with the indicated minimum (See Modifier 8007). The assistant's final payable to a maxillo-facial and oral surgeon shall be calculated at 33,33% of the appropriate schedul fee (Modifier 8001). The assistant's name must appear on the invoice rendered to the patient
5.	The additional fee to all members of the surgical team for after hours emergency surgery shall
(M)	calculated by adding 25% to the fee for the procedure or procedures performed (8008)
6.	In cases where treatment is not listed in this schedule for general practitioners or specialists, t appropriate fee listed in the medical schedule(s) shall be charged, and the relevant medical tariff ite must be indicated (See Rule 012)

VI	SPECIALIST MAXILLO- FACIAL AND ORAL SURGEONS (M) See Rule 009								
		N\$							
Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс			
	CONSULTATIONS AND VISITS								
8901	Consultation at consulting rooms	260.53				s			
8902	Detailed clinical examination, radiographic interpretation, diagnosis, treatment planning and case presentation Code 8902 is a separate procedure from code 8901 and is applicable to	876.32				S			
•	craniomandibular disorders, implant placement and orthognathic and maxillofacial reconstruction					_			
8903	Consultation at hospital, nursing home or house	297.37				S			
8904	Subsequent consultation at consulting rooms, hospital, nursing home or house					S			
8905	Weekend visits and night visits between 18h00 - 07h00 the following day	423.68				S			
8907	Subsequent consultations, per week, to a maximum of	485.96				S			
	Subsequent consultation" shall mean, in connection with items 8904 and 8907, a consultation for the same pathological condition provided that such consultation occurs within six months of the first consultation								
	INVESTIGATIONS AND RECORDS								
8107	Intra-oral radiographs, per film	89.47				В			
8108	Maximum for 8107 .	721.93				В			
8113	Occlusal radiographs	140.35				В			
8114	Hand-wrist radiograph	370.18				Α			
8115	Extra-oral radiograph, per film (i.e. panoramic, cephalometric, PA)	370.18				В			
8811	Tracing and analysis of extra-oral film	42.98				в			
8117	Study models - unmounted	100.88		+L		В			
8119	Study models - mounted on adjustable articulator	260.53		+L		В			
8121	Diagnostic photographs - per photograph	100.88				В			
8917	Biopsies – intra-oral	541.23				S			
8919	Biopsy of bone - needle	935.09				S			
8921	Biopsy of bone - open	1 535.96				S			
	ORTHOGNATHIC SURGERY AND TREATMENT PLANNING								
(M)	In the case of treatment planning requiring the combined services of a Prosthodontist and/or Orthodontist and/or a Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgeon, Modifier 8009 (75%) may be applied to the fee charged by each specialist								
8840	Treatment planning for orthognathic surgery	1 130.70		+L		Α			
	REMOVAL OF TEETH								
	Modifier 8002 is applicable to codes 8201 and 8202								

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VI	SPECIALIST MAXILLO- FACIAL AN (M) See Rule 0		RGEONS			
		N\$				
Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
	Extractions during a single visit					
8201	Single tooth Code 8201 is charged for the first extraction in a quadrant	140.35			Т	В
8202	Each additional tooth in the same quadrant Code 8202 is charged for each additional extraction in the same quadrant	56.14			Т	В
8957	Alveolotomy or alveolectomy - concurrent with or independent of extractions (per jaw)	1 280.70				S
*8961	Auto-transplantation of teeth (See rule 011 and Notes 2 and 3)	2 096.49		+L		S
8931	Local treatment of post-extraction haemorrhage (excluding treatment of bleeding in the case of blood dyscrasias, e.g. haemophilia)	699.12				S
8933	Treatment of haemorrhage in the case of blood dyscrasias, e.g. hemophilia, per week	2 440.35				S
8935	Treatment of post-extraction septic socket where patient is referred by another registered person	185.09				S
8937	Surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring elevation of mucoperiosteal flap, removal of bone and/or section of tooth Includes cutting of gingiva and bone, removal of tooth structure and	933.33				S
	closure Code 8220 is applicable when sutures are provided by practitioner (Rule 013)					
	Removal of roots					
	Code 8220 is applicable when sutures are provided by practitioner (Rule 013)					
8953	Surgical removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure)	933.33			Т	S
	Includes cutting of gingiva and bone, removal of tooth structure and closure					
8955 (MW)	Surgical removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure), each subsequent tooth Indudes cutting of gingiva and bone, removal of tooth structure and closure				Т	S
	(See Rule 011 and Notes 2 and 3)					
	Unerupted or impacted teeth					
8941	First tooth	1 513.16			T	S
8943	Second tooth	812.28	. •		T T	S
8945 8947	Third tooth Fourth and subsequent tooth	465.79 465.79			T T	S S
		100.10				<u>~</u>
8908	DIVERSE PROCEDURES Removal of roots from maxillary antrum involving Caldwell-Luc and closure of oral antral					s
8909 8911	communication Closure of oral antral fistula - acute or chronic Caldwell-Luc procedure	2 440.35 958.77				S S

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	SPECIALIST MAXILLO- FACIAL AND ORAL SURGEONS							
VI								
		N\$						
Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс		
8965	Peripheral neurectomy	2 096.49				s		
8966	Functional repair of oronasal fistula (local flaps)	2 915.79				S		
8977	Major repairs of upper or lower jaw (i.e. by means of	4 895.61				S		
	bone grafts or prosthesis, with jaw splintage) (Modifiers 8005 and 8006 are not applicable in this instance. The full fee may be charged irrespective of whether this procedure is carried out concomitantly with procedure 8975 or as a separate procedure)							
8979	Harvesting of autogenous grafts (intra-oral)	410.53				s		
•9048	Removal of internal fixation devices per site	785.96				S		
8962	Harvest iliac crest graft	771.05				S		
8963	Harvest rib_graft	886.84				s		
8964	Harvest cranium graft	693.86				S		
	CYSTS OF JAWS							
8967	Intra-oral approach	2 915.79				s		
8969	Extra-oral approach	4 664.91				s		
	NEOPLASMS							
8971	Surgical treatment of soft tissue tumours	935.09				S		
8973	Surgical treatment of tumours of the jaws	4 664.91				S		
8975	Hemiresection of jaw, with splintage of segments	4 898.25				S		
	PARA-ORTHODONTIC SURGICAL PROCEDURES							
8981	Surgical exposure of impacted or unerupted teeth for orthodontic reasons	1 746.49			Т	S		
8983	Corticotomy – first tooth	1 392.98			Т	S		
8984		702.63			T	S		
8985	Frenectomy	1 280.70	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			S		
	SURGICAL PREPARATION OF JAWS FOR PROSTHETICS							
8987	Reduction of mylohyoid ridges, per side	2 096.49		+L		s		
8989	Torus mandibularis reduction, per side	2 096.49		+L		s		
8991	Torus palatinus reduction	2 096.49		+L		s		
8993	Reduction of hypertrophic tuberosity, per side See procedure code 8971 for excision of denture granuloma	935.09		+L		S		
8995	Gingivectomy, per jaw	1 866. <b>6</b> 7		+L		S		
8997	Sulcoplasty/Vestibuloplasty	4 807.89		+L		S		
9003	Repositioning mental foramen and nerve, per side	2 915.79		+L		S		
•9004	Lateralization of inferior dental nerve (including bone grafting)	4 126.32				S		
9005		4 898.32		+L		S		
9007	Total alveolar ridge augmentation by alloplastic material	3 088.60		+L		S		
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VI	SPECIALIST MAXILLO- FACIAL AND ORAL SURGEONS (M) See Rule 009						
		N\$					
Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	MP	тс
9008	Alveolar ridge augmentation across 1 to 2 adjacent tooth sites	1 160.53		+L		S	
9009	Alveolar ridge augmentation across 3 or more tooth sites	1 737.72		+L		S	
9010	Sinus lift procedure	3 179.82		+L		S	
	SEPSIS						
9011	Incision and drainage of pyogenic abscesses (intra- oral approach	596.49				S	
9013		812.28				s	
9015	Apicectomy including retrograde filling where necessary – anterior teeth	1 047.37			Т	s	
9016	Apicectomy including retrograde filling where necessary, posterior teeth	2 096.49			т	s	
9017	Decortication, saucerisation and sequestrectomy for osteomyelitis of the mandible	4 322.81				S	
9019	Sequestrectomy - intra-oral, per sextant and/or per ramus	935.09				S	
	TRAUMA						
	Treatment of associated soft tissue injuries						
9021	Minor	1 047.37				S	
9023	Major	2 214.00				S	
9024	Dento-alveolar fracture, per sextant	1 047.37		+L		s	
	Mandibular fractures						
9025	fixation					S	
9027	Treatment of compound fracture, involving eyelet wining					S	
9029	Treatment by metal cap splintage or Gunning's splints			+L		S	
9031	Treatment by open reduction with restoration of occlusion by splintage	5 363.16		+L		S	
	Maxillary fractures with special attention to occlusion						
	When open reduction is required for Items 9035 and 9037, Modifier 8010 may be applied					s	
9035	Le Fort I or Guerin fracture	3 276.32		+L		s	
9037		5 363.16		+L		s	
9039	Le Fort III or craniofacial disjunction or comminuted mid-facial fractures requiring open reduction and splintage	7 697.37		+L		S	
	Zygoma/Orbit/Antral - complex fractures						

VI	SPECIALIST MAXILLO- FACIAL A (M) See Rule 0		RGEONS			
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Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
9041	Gillies or temporal elevation	2 327.19		<u></u>		s
9043	Unstable and/or comminuted zygoma, treatment by open reduction or Caldwell-Luc operation					S
9045	Requiring multiple osteosynthesis and/ or grafting	6 992.98				s
	FUNCTIONAL CORRECTION OF MALOCCLUSIONS					
,	For items 9047 to 9072 the full fee may be charged i.e. notes 2 and 3 (re Rule 011) will not apply					
9047	Operation for the improvement or restoration of occlusal and masticatory function, e.g. bilateral osteotomy, open operation (with immobilisation)	9 785.96		+L		S
9049	Anterior segmental osteotomy of mandible (Köle)	8 119.30		+L		S
9050	Total subapical osteotomy	16 114.91				s
9051	Genioplasty	4 664.91				S
9052	Midfacial exposure (for maxillary and nasal augmentation or pyramidal Le Fort II osteotomy)	7 390.35				S
9055	Maxillary posterior segment osteotomy (Schukardt) - 1 or 2 stage procedure	8 154.39		+L		S
9057	Maxillary anterior segment osteotomy (Wassmund) - 1 or 2 stage procedure	8 154.39		+L		S
9059	Le Fort I osteotomy - one piece	15 347.37		+L		S
9062	Le Fort I osteotomy - multiple segments	19 574.56		+L		S
9060	Le Fort I osteotomy with inferior repositioning and inter positional grafting	17 227.19				S
9061	Palatal osteotomy	5 363.16				S
9063	Le Fort II osteotomy for correction of facial deformities or faciostenosis and post-traumatic deformities	19 593.86		+L		S
9065	Le Fort III osteotomy for correction of severe congenital deformities, viz. Crouzon's disease and malunited craniomaxillary disjunction	29 373.68		+L		S
9066	Surgical assisted maxillary or mandibular expansion This procedure is to expand the maxilla or mandible to facilitate orthodontic aligning of constricted dental arch	4 667.54				S
9069	Functional tongue reduction (partial glossectomy)	3 498.25				s
9089	Geniohyoidotomy	2 096.49				S
9071 9072	Functional closure of the secondary oro-nasal fistula	15 347.37		+L		S
0072	and associated structures with bone grafting (complete procedure)	10 047.07				J
	TEMPOROMANDIBULAR JOINT PROCEDURES					
	For Items 9081, 9083 and 9092 the full fee may be charged per side					
9073	Bite plate for TMJ dysfunction	808.77		+L		в
9073	Diagnostic arthroscopy	2 316.67				S
9074	Condylectomy or coronoidectomy or both (extra-oral					S
3073	approach)	J 022.01				3
9076	Arthrocentesis TMJ	1 382.46				S

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	SPECIALIST MAXILLO- FACIAL A	ND ORAL SU	RGEONS			
VI	(M) See Rule 009					
		N\$				
Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
9053	Coronoidectomy (intra-oral approach)	2 909.65				S
9077	Intra-articular injection, per injection	347.37				S
907 <b>9</b>	Trigger point injection, per injection	272.81				S
9081	Condyle neck osteotomy (Ward/ Kostecka)	2 327.19				S
9083	Temporomandibular joint arthroplasty	5 822.81				S
9085	Reduction of temporomandibular joint dislocation without anaesthetic	465.79				S
9087	Reduction of temporomandibular joint dislocation, with anaesthetic	935.09				S
9089	Reduction of temporomandibular joint dislocation, with anaesthetic and immobilisation	2 327.19				S
9091	Reduction of temporomandibular joint dislocation requiring open reduction	5 822.81				S
9092	Total joint reconstruction with alloplastic material or bone (includes condylectomy and coronoidectomy)	15 539.47		+L		S
	SALIVARY GLANDS					
9093	Removal of salivary calculus	1 047.37				s
9095	Removal of sublingual salivary gland	2 796.49				s
9096	Removal of salivary gland (extra-oral)	4 144.74				S
	IMPLANTS					
	For items 9180 to 9192 the full fee may be charged, i.e. Note 2 of Rule 011 will not apply	0.000.07				
9180	procedure/operation	3 266.67				S
9181	Placement of sub-periosteal implant prosthesis/ operation	3 266.67	:			S
9182	•	1 632.46		+L		S
9183	Placement of a single osseo-integrated implant per jaw					S
9184	Placement of a second osseo-integrated implant in the same jaw	1 563.16				S
9185	Placement of a third and subsequent osseo- integrated implant in the same jaw, per implant	1 044.74				S
9189		Rule 013				
9190	Exposure of a single osseo-integrated implant and placement of a transmucosal element	769.30				S
9191	Exposure of a second osseo-integrated implant and placement of a transmucosal element in the same jaw	580.70		*		S
9192	Exposure of a third and subsequent osseo- integrated implant in the same jaw, per implant	389.47				S
•9046	Placement of Zygomaticus fixture, per fixture	4 175.44				s
•9198	•	933.33				s
	This procedure involves the surgical removal of an implant, i.e. cutting of soft tissue and bone, removal of implant, and closure					

VI	SPECIALIST MAXILLO- FACIAL A (M) See Rule 0					
		N\$				
Code	Procedure description	NDA	Notes		MP	тс
*8761	Masticatory mucosal autograft extending across not more than four teeth (isolated procedure)	1 413.15		+L		A
•8772	Submucosal connective tissue autograft (isolated procedure)	1 154.82				Α
876 <b>7</b>	· ·	1 621.05				A
8769	Subsequent: removal of membrane used for guided tissue regeneration procedure Codes 8761, 8767 and 8769 to be used only as part of implant surgery	763.16				A
8770	Cost of bone regenerative/repair material	Rule 013				
	CLEFT LIP AND PALATE					
9220	Repair of cleft hard palate (unilateral)	8 570.18				S
9222	, , , ,	10 886.84				S
9224		16 212.28				S
9226	•	7 182.46				S
9228	Repair of soft palatum (with muscle reconstruction	10 431.58				S
9230	Repair of submucosal cleft and/or bifid uvula (with muscle reconstruction)	7 766.67				S
9232	Velopharyngeal reconstruction (uncomplicated)	7 992.98				S
9234	Velopharyngeal reconstruction (complicated type)	8 541.23				S
9238	Functional repair of oro-nasal fistula (distant flaps - in a single procedure)	4 819.30				S
9240	two procedures)	8 523.68				S
9246		4 260.53				S
9248		3 782.46				S
9250	Unilateral cleft lip repair (without muscle reconstruction)	7 564.91				S
9252		10 226.67				S
9254		11 887.72				S
9256		18 371.93				S
9258		4 863.16				S
9260 9262		4 863.16 9 726.32				,S S
9264		18 415.79				s
9266	1	10 266.67				s
9268		10 266.67				s
9270	l - 1	16 210.53				S
9272	-	4 863.16				s

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#### Appendix A

#### SUMMARY OF ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND REVISIONS FOR DENTAL PROCEDURES AND NOMENCLATURE

#### ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND REVISIONS

Codes Kodes	Description	Notes	
8110	Terminology revised		
8122	Code added		
8123	Code added		
8131	Terminology revised		
8132	Terminology revised		
8149	Code added		
8150	Code added		
8160	Code added		
8168	Code added		
8141	Terminology revised		
8143	Terminology revised		
8145	Terminology revised		
8259	Terminology revised		
8306	Code added		
8346	Code added		
8529	Terminology revised		
8634	Code deleted		
8703	Terminology revised		
8749	Terminology revised		
8751	Terminology revised		
8753	Terminology revised		
8755	Terminology revised		
8761	Terminology revised		
8762	Terminology revised		
8772	Code added		
8773	Code added		
8961	Terminology revised		
9004	Code added		
9046	Code added		
9048	Code added		
9198	Code added		

### General Practitioner's Guideline to the correct use of treatment codes

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Dental Association respects the clinical freedom and judgement of every practitioner to institute whatever treatment he or she considers appropriate in given circumstances, provided it is based on a sound clinical diagnosis and the patient is given an informed choice regarding treatment options available. A copy of these *guidelines* will be made available to the Dental Board of Namibia.

In view of the increasing complexity of the Namibian Dental Association (NDA) treatment codes and the application thereof, and the misunderstanding which sometimes results, and in order to eradicate the disturbing trend of wrongful, or fraudulent application of treatment codes, the NDA has drawn up these *guidelines*. Reference to these *guidelines* will promote the correct use of certain items of the NDA fee schedule, which may be

either misunderstood or misinterpreted by practitioners. In this way the highest standards of ethical practice will be maintained.

These *guidelines* will be updated periodically and for this reason the Dental Association will value comments on any aspect of this publication.

Good record keeping assists in dento-legal matters.

These Guidelines were prepared by Dr Harold Levenstein for the General Practice Committee of the SADA. These guidelines were modified by the Namibian Dental Association.

#### CODE

#### 8099 Laboratory Fee

Laboratory fees are chargeable on presentation of the invoice. Where a patient fails to return for the completion of the treatment the laboratory fee should be charged.

The Dental Board accepts that the *patient* can be required to pay an *initial amount to* cover laboratory costs.

# 8101 Full mouth examination, charting and treatment planning

No further examination fee shall be chargeable until the treatment plan resulting from the consultation is completed with the exception of Items **8102**.

The full mouth examination, charting and treatment planning **must** be recorded on a treatment card, keeping accurate and legible records. This may be important in dento-legal cases.

**Code 8101** may include the issuing of a prescription. If a dentist who is registered as a dispensing dentist does dispense medication then it is recommended that medicine used in treatment should have a mark-up of not more than 50% of the cost price and must not exceed the retail ethical price list, which is obtainable from the Namibian Pharmaceutical Board. The medicine account must be separated from the services account. Dentists who are registered to dispense must strictly observe the applicable rules published by the Namibian Pharmaceutical Board.

Note: When a patient is consulted for an emergency or a specific problem and did not come in for a full mouth examination and charting, then Code 8101 cannot be charged. Under these circumstances Code 8104 – Consultation for a specific problem - must be charged.

#### 8102 Comprehensive Consultation

The guidelines on which this code item is based are set out in the National Schedule of Fees.

These guidelines specify the complete documentation of all the relevant medical and dental data in respect of the particular patient with regard to the procedures as listed under Code 8102. The diagnosis and the recommended treatment plans, as well as alternatives, are based on this data. Furthermore, all such data must be recorded in an acceptable and transmissible form and must be presented to the patient in writing.

# 8104 Consultation for a specific problem not requiring full mouth examination and treatment planning.

Cannot be charged when 8101 has been charged. Can only be charged for a specific problem which does not form part of an original treatment plan and may not be used in conjunction with a regular appointment. Code 8104 may include the issuing of a prescription. If a dentist who is registered as a dispensing dentist does dispense medication then it is recommended that medicine used in treatment should have a mark-up of not more than 50% of the cost price and must not exceed the retail ethical price list, which is obtainable from Namibian Pharmaceutical Board. The medicine account must be separated from the services account. Dentists who are registered to dispense must strictly observe the applicable rules published by the Namibian Pharmaceutical Board.

#### 8107, 8108, 8113, 8114, 8115:

#### Radiographs

It is the duty of every dentist who takes radiographs to ensure full compliance with the Regulations concerning safe radiological practice for the protection of the patient. Failure to do so may lead to disciplinary proceedings.

The frequency with which a patient is X-rayed and the number of radiographs taken is left to the clinical experience and discretion of the practitioner as well as his or her integrity. If a patient refuses to have a radiograph taken, this fact must be recorded on the record card.

All radiographs charged must be of good quality or they must be re-done at no charge.

As a general rule:-

- Full mouth radiographs are taken once for clinical record purposes the only exception is a follow-up of the patient, e.g. after periodontal surgery.
- Panoramic radiographs are only taken *once* except in cases where a followup is essential, e.g. surgery, trauma, orthodontic treatment and re-evaluation of wisdom teeth.
- Radiographs are required pre-operatively for endodontic treatment, periodontal treatment, the surgical extraction of teeth or roots, crown or bridgework.
- Major orthodontic treatment should not be undertaken without cephalometric and panoramic radiographs.

**No** unerupted tooth should be extracted without pre-operative radiographs, which clearly show the whole tooth and its relationship to important anatomical landmarks.

A report must be written down on the treatment card following the taking of any radiographs and the sites of the radiographs taken must also be recorded. **The dentist who takes the radiographs owns them.** Radiographs are an integral part of the patient's records and should be retained for a minimum of five years. If a patient who has paid for his/her radiographs requests that they be given to him/her either for a second opinion or because he/she has changed dentists, then the dentist who took the radiographs may send the radiographs direct to the new dentist for viewing only. Duplicates of the films can be provided to the patient at a fee. Radiographs can provide invaluable dento-legal evidence and their loss may prejudice a practitioner's defence.

# 8117 Study models - unmounted and

# 8119 Study models mounted on adjustable articulator

Study models are plaster or stone models of the teeth and adjoining tissues of the upper and lower jaws.

**Codes 8117 and 8119 include both upper and lower** models. *Study models are not working models; they are used for treatment planning and should be retained for record purposes.* Study models can not be used for the *construction* of crowns or dentures. An impression of the opposing arch for the bite registration is *not a* study model. A model used for the construction of a special tray cannot be classed as a study model.

### 8129 Emergency visit – after regularly scheduled hours

Applicable to instances where a dental practitioner is called out from his/her home to his/her rooms after normal working hours, or a hospital, to render emergency treatment.

**Note:** Code 8129 is not applicable when working late after normal working hours on routine dental treatment, nor if a practice routinely operates on a Saturday, Sunday or Public Holiday.

#### 8131 Emergency treatment where no other tariff item is applicable

Code 8131 cannot be used in addition to any other item if it involves treatment on the same tooth. It is also not applicable where a patient has made a prior appointment as part of an existing, unfinished, treatment plan, for routine procedures.

#### 8137 Temporary crown as an emergency procedure

An emergency crown is usually constructed in the treatment of a *fractured tooth* or where the patient has lost a previously fitted permanent crown. An emergency crown is a preformed or manufactured crown, usually made of metal or resin, which is fitted over a damaged tooth as an immediate protective device or for aesthetic purposes.

This procedure may not be applied to elective crown and bridgework and is especially not applicable to temporary crowns placed during routine crown and bridge preparations.

An Acrylic Jacket Crown (8405) is a **permanent** and not a temporary crown.

**Code 8529** in the Prosthodontic Schedule refers to a provisional crown placed, for example before or after periodontal surgery, during the healing period before the final crown preparation and impressions are taken or as a diagnostic crown.

#### 8141 Electronic Analgesia

Electronic Analgesia (8141) can only be charged when it is the sole form of analgesia administered and not when it is used to make Local Anaesthesia (Code 8145) more comfortable for the patient.

#### 8145 Local Anaesthesia Per Visit

This fee is for the administration of local anaesthesia by injection per visit, irrespective of the number of injections given/ampoules used at that visit.

The use of the "Wand" is a technique and not a procedure and Code 8145 is the correct Code to be used.

# 8151 Oral Hygiene Instruction

Patients should be informed that a fee will be charged for oral hygiene instruction. A standard oral hygiene instruction procedure *usually* includes the following:-

- (i) Plaque control information, e.g. instruction pamphlets or leaflets;
- (ii) Dietary instructions;
- (iii) Explanation and demonstration of plaque control (brushing and flossing);
- (iv) Self-practice session in the mouth under professional supervision;
- (v) Use of special aids such as disclosing agents;
- (vi) Scoring of plaque levels (plaque index);

Oral hygiene instructions on a child under 9 years of age should take place in the presence of a parent.

# 8153 Follow-up visit for re-evaluation of oral hygiene

This would encompass evaluating and monitoring the steps in 8151. Any follow-up visits for re-evaluation of oral hygiene instructions, in the same course of treatment, may only be charged under **Code 8153**.

# 8159 Scaling and polishing

The presence of supra- or subgingival calculus will determine whether this procedure is justifiable in a child under 1 0 years of age.

# 8161 Topical application of fluoride

Fluoride has a beneficial effect throughout a person's lifetime.

The use of a fluoridated paste during polishing is not a topical fluoride application.

Code 8161 can only be charged when a tray is used to apply the fluoride.

# 8163 Fissure sealant, per tooth

A general rule is that caries-free teeth that have been in the mouth for longer than 4 to 6 years or those with shallow wide grooves, need not be sealed.

# 8167 Treatment of hypersensitive dentine, per visit

This is charged once only irrespective of the number of teeth treated per visit. This Code may not be used together with Code 8161.

# 8169 Bite Plate for TMJ dysfunction or occlusal guard

This refers to a removable dental appliance which is designed to minimise the effects of bruxism (clenching and grinding) and other occlusal factors. This Code is not applicable to mouth protectors (Code 8171).

# 8170 Minor occlusal adjustment

This may also be known as equilibration; reshaping occlusal surfaces of teeth or restorations by grinding to create harmonious contact relationships between the upper and lower teeth. Not applicable to adjustment of a denture or a restoration fitted or placed as part of a current treatment plan.

#### 8182 Root Planing with or without periodontal curettage per quadrant

A quadrant consists of 7 or 8 teeth.

# 8184 Root Planing with or without periodontal curettage per sextant

A sextant usually comprises 6 teeth or between 4-6 teeth.

If a periodontally compromised patient is to undergo periodontal treatment in the form of *Root Planing* - Codes 8182 and 8184 - it is essential that *certain diagnostic procedures and preliminary treatment* **must first** be carried out, namely:-

- (1) X-rays are required to evaluate bone level, infra-bony pockets and calculus.
- (2) Periodontal screening (Code 8176) which should include the recording of at least:-
- (a) Complete pocket charting
- (b) Plaque index
- (c) Bleeding index
- (3) A Scaling and Polishing *at a previous appointment* **prior** to root planing.
- (4) Oral hygiene instructions at a previous appointment and the patient must be recalled to evaluate the instructions.

Once the *periodontally compromised patient* has undergone the above treatment, ideally, the patient should be recalled after approximately one month and a periodontal screening should be carried out again to evaluate the success of the treatment.

When new or recurring periodontal disease appears, additional diagnostic and treatment procedures must be considered. The successful long-term control of periodontal disease depends upon active maintenance care through supportive periodontal treatment.

Active periodontal therapy may consist of surgical or non-surgical services or both.

Periodic maintenance treatment following active therapy is not synonymous with a prophylaxis.

### 8185 Gingivectomy-gingivoplasty per quadrant and

# 8186 Gingivectomy - gingivoplasty per sextant

*Gingivectomy is a very old procedure and is no longer a mainstream periodontal procedure.* 

Note: Scaling and polishing (Code 8159) is usually carried out prior to Code 8185 or Code 8186.

#### Oral Surgery (See Rule 011)

When a professional assistant is used his/her name must appear on the account rendered to the patient and the patient must be informed, beforehand, that an assistant will be used.

#### Implants

NDA does not approve of the re-use of any implant components because of the hazards to the patient.

When an implant fixture is placed for osseointegration, the following is charged:

Surgery 8194, 8195 Components 8197

When the fixture is exposed after osseointegration, the following fee is charged:

Surgery 8198 Components 8197 (Usually a transmucosal healing abutment)

After the second stage surgery and an appropriate healing period, the abutment components are attached to the fixture, an impression is taken, and the following is charged:

#### Components 8197

(Usually the abutment, Impression Copings, Healing Caps, Abutment Replicas)

The laboratory constructs, to your prescription, a crown made to fit the abutment replica. In doing so the laboratory will also charge, on the laboratory invoice, for components that might have been used, e.g. abutment replicas, gold cylinders and gold screws

When the laboratory work is secured to the abutment for the patient, to complete the restoration, the following is charged:

#### **Osseo-integrated Abutment Restoration 8193 Laboratory Fee 8099**

**Note:** No fee is levied apart from 8193 and 8099. One can not charge for the particular restoration actually placed, as Code 8193 already includes this fee. Code 8193 is charged and not 8409, 8411 etc.

Where a pre-angulated abutment is placed (to correct alignment of the FIXTURES) this is then charged as 8600 (Implant components).

When a cast coping is custom made in a laboratory to correct alignment of fixtures it is then permissible to charge for 8396 (Cast Coping) or 8587 (Cast Coping: Prosthodontists Schedule) in addition to 8193 and 8099 for the restoration of an Osseointegrated Abutment.

If a bridge is constructed on one or more implant fixtures the pontics are charged for as in conventional crown and bridgework, e.g.

- Sanitary pontic 8420
- Posterior pontic 8422
- Anterior pontic 8424 and the
- Bridge abutments per abutment (8193).

#### **Removable Implant Prostheses**

First Surgical Stage

- Surgical placement of implants 8194-8196
- Components 8197

# Second Surgical Stage

- Surgery and placement of transmucosal element (usually transmucosal abutment) 8198-8199
- Cost of Transmucosal element 8197

In some cases tissue conditioning and soft self-cure interim re-line to denture (8265) may be necessary after the first and second surgical stage.

# **Prosthodontic Procedures**

Superstructure, i.e. denture, 8231 or 8232

The metal superstructure of the implant is covered by the charge for the abutment 8193+L (8099).

Laboratory costs (8099) will be incurred at all stages. Components used at all stages will be charged as 8197. Periodic maintenance of implants is charged as 8590 by specialist prosthodontists and as two-thirds of 8590 by general practitioner dentists.

# 8209 Surgical removal of a tooth, i.e., raising of a mucoperiosteal flap, removal of bone and suturing

**Note:** If a tooth fractures during an extraction, leaving the roots behind then Code 8209 is applicable and not Codes 8213 and 8214.

# **UNERUPTED OR IMPACTED TEETH**

If an unerupted and impacted canine or premolar were to be removed in **addition** to four unerupted and impacted wisdom teeth then the fees should be rendered as follows:-

8210	First tooth
8211	Second tooth
8212x 3	Third and subsequent teeth, per tooth

### 8213 Surgical removal of residual roots of first tooth and

# 8214 Surgical removal of residual roots of each subsequent tooth. (See Rule 011)

**Residual roots are roots in the absence of a crown prior to surgical** *intervention.* This procedure requires the raising of a flap, removal of bone and suturing.

Note: Codes 8213 and 8214 refer to roots left behind, buried or retained roots lying under the mucosa and detected by radiographs, which are essential for this procedure.

The residual roots would have been there for some time, and should not have resulted at the time of an extraction of a tooth, i.e., this fee cannot be applied when the dentist, at the same appointment, has broken a tooth.

### 8220 Use of suture provided by practitioner

This fee refers to one pack of suture material.

### 8221 Local treatment of post-extraction haemorrhage

This Code is charged for a subsequent visit following an extraction. It may not be charged during the visit for the extraction of that particular tooth.

# 8273 Additional fee where one or more impressions are required for Codes 8269, 8270, 8271 and 8846

This code can be charged *only once* irrespective whether upper and/or lower impressions are taken.

It cannot be used for the taking of impressions for any other procedure.

# 8301 Direct Pulp Capping

Procedures in which the *exposed pulp* is covered with a dressing or cement that protects the pulp and promotes healing and repair.

Only applicable for frank pulp exposure with pinpoint haemorrhage. Linings in deep cavities are not classed as a direct or indirect pulp cap.

# 8303 Indirect pulp capping where permanent filling is not completed at same visit

A dressing of Calcium Hydroxide is placed over a thin partition of remaining carious dentine which, if removed, might expose the dental pulp. This dressing protects the pulp from additional injury and permits healing and repair via formation of secondary dentine. The temporary restoration of Zinc Oxide - Eugenol covering the Calcium Hydroxide, is left for 6 weeks. According to the literature (see Massler) a *minimum* period of six weeks should be allowed. When the cavity is examined, all infected dentine must be removed and, if there is any doubt about this, a further period of six weeks should be allowed. Under these conditions, 8303 may again be charged for the *same tooth*.

## 8305 Apexification of root canal, per visit

Apexification is the induction of apical closure and the continued development of an immature tooth in which the pulp is no longer vital. During apexification, as an isolated procedure it could take from months to years for apical closure to occur. The patient is recalled approximately every 4 months for assessment and change of the Calcium Hydroxide dressing.

*Apexogenesis* is physiological root end development and formation. After pulp exposure of an incompletely formed tooth in which the pulp is apparently vital, a pulpotomy or pulp-capping procedure may allow apical closure with deposition of dentine and cementum. The main difference between Apexification and Apexogenesis is that in the former the tooth is non-vital and in the latter the tooth is *vital*. In both Apexification and Apexogenesis the teeth are immature with incompletely formed apices.

**Note:** The Code and fee for both Apexification and Apexogenesis is the same.

# 8307 Amputation of pulp (pulpotomy)

A pulpotomy cannot be charged together with any other endodontic procedure, such as a preparatory visit or obturation, on the same tooth.

#### 8328 to 8330 & 8332 to 8340: Endodontics

Codes for endodontic procedures for general practitioners are applicable to primary **and** permanent teeth.

Radiographs are essential in endodontic treatment. The use of electronic apex locators should not preclude the taking of pre- and post-operative radiographs.

**Note:** Codes 8336, 8337, 8339 and 834O refer to root canal therapy on *molars only* and thus these codes may not be used on pre-molars.

# 8334 Re-preparation of previously obturated canal, per canal (in the retreatment of a tooth)

Endodontic re-treatment would include the removal of old gutta percha, silver points, cements and the cleaning and shaping of all the root canals.

In a re-treatment case the practitioner would charge Code 8334 per canal at the first visit.

If by chance in a molar with 3-4 canals, it was not possible to complete the repreparation of all the canals at the first visit, then the remaining canals could be charged using Code 8334 at the second visit, i.e. each canal is charged only once.

If the tooth required any further cleaning and shaping, then the practitioner may charge Code 8333 in a multi-canal tooth where applicable, at any subsequent visits up to a maximum of four visits per tooth.

In re-treatment of a single canal, Code 8334 would be charged at the first visit and Code 8332, where applicable, at any subsequent visits up to a maximum of four visits **per tooth**.

Codes 8332 and 8333 may not be charged together with Code 8334 at the same visit **on the same tooth**.

If a previously undetected root canal was found during the re-treatment of a tooth, Code 8334 can only be charged for the re-preparation of each previously obturated canal and not for the preparation of the undetected (and therefore not previously obturated) canal. If, however, the preparation and the obturation of the undetected canal were completed at the same single visit, then the fee for this undetected canal would be charged under Code 8338 or 8339.

When the obturation of the canal/s is carried out at a subsequent visit, then Codes 8335, 8328, 8336 and 8337 would be used where applicable.

#### 8371- Ceramic/Resin bonded inlays 8374 and veneers and

# 8560 Cost of Ceramic Block

For computer generated inlays it is recommended that laboratory technicians Code 9512 with their Rule 002 be charged as 8099 on the practitioner's account. The cost of material is charged as Code 8560 in accordance with Rule 013. An invoice should be attached indicating that computer technology, e.g. CADCAM or CEREC was used and that manufacture did not take place in the dentist's laboratory.

**Note**: If computer generated inlays are manufactured at the chairside, no fee is chargeable for the use of an articulator or models.

#### 8354 Four-or-more surface acid etch restoration

Large acid etch restorations carried out on deciduous teeth, particularly under a full course of dental treatment under general anaesthetic, can not be charged out as **8405** - Acrylic Jacket Crowns.

### 8376 Prefabricated post and core

**NB:** This item is inclusive of pins.

Code 8376 has the same quantum of fee irrespective of the number of posts used. Obviously, this treatment is only possible on a root-treated tooth.

#### 8396 Cast Coping

The following **description of Copings** is derived from "*Precision attachments in Prosthodontics: Overdentures and Telescopic Prostheses*", Volume 2, by Harold W Prieskel. Two types are described and both are of cast metal.

- 1. Thimble Coping: May utilise pins for additional retention. Generally used to parallel cavity preparations for bridges and splints. May be similarly used to parallel abutments where implant fixtures are not parallel.
- 2. **Dome-shaped Coping (with post)** for endodontically treated overdenture abutment teeth.

#### 8398 Core build-up irrespective of number of pins used

If a core build-up in amalgam, glass-ionomer or resin is carried out without pin retention, then the respective fee for the plastic restoration only should be charged such as Codes 8344, 8354 or 8370. Code 8398 is then not applicable.

#### 8405 Acrylic Jacket Crown

*The crown should be an indirect heat cured crown constructed in the laboratory.* This fee is not applicable to stock plastic crowns or to four-surface Acid Etch Restorations (see 8354).

Note: Specialists' Fees Rule 009 - General dental practitioners may charge two-thirds of the fees of specialists, only for treatment that is not listed in the fees for dentists in General Practice and Modifier 8004 must be shown against any such item.

#### 8409 – Porcelain jacket crown

8607 Codes 8409 and 8607 (Prosthodontists Schedule) include any crowns which do not have a metal base, e.g. Targis Vectris, Inceram etc..

# 8411 Porcelain Veneered Crown

8609 Codes 8411 and 8609 (Prosthodontists Schedule) apply to any metal-based porcelain veneered crowns.

#### 8529 Provisional crown, which is not placed during routine crown preparation

A provisional crown does not refer to an interim crown placed after crown preparation and impression taking and pending delivery of the permanent crown.

## 8551 Major occlusal adjustment

Major occlusal adjustment may require several appointments of varying length, and sedation may be necessary to attain adequate relaxation of the musculature. Study models mounted on an adjustable condyle articulator (e.g., Hanau) must be utilised for analysis of occlusal disharmony.

### 8560 Cost of ceramic block

Code 8560 is for the cost of the ceramic block only and does not include the cost of any materials, models, articulators etc.

# 8721 Occlusal adjustment per visit

Codes 8553 and 8721 are not applicable to adjustments of a denture or of a restoration fitted or placed as part of a current treatment plan.

# 8592 Osseo-integrated abutment, per abutment (see corresponding codes 8193 to 8197 on pages 8 and 9)

It is not permissible to charge an additional amount e.g. Code 8411 - Porcelain Jacket Crown, as well as Code 8592. The plastic (composite) acid etch restoration used to cover the screw of the implant can be charged as an additional one surface acid etch restoration Code 8351 or 8367. If fixed bridgework is performed, the crown over the implant is considered the abutment.

# 8637 Hemisection of a tooth or resection of root and

Hemisection of a tooth/resection of a root apicectomy including retrograde filling where necessary, but excluding endodontics (as an isolated procedure)

Hemisection includes separation of a multirooted tooth into separate sections containing the root and overlying portion of the crown. It may also include the surgical removal of one or more of those sections.

# 8756 Flap operation with bone removal to increase clinical length of a single tooth (as an isolated procedure).

This is a surgical procedure exposing more tooth for restorative purposes by apically positioning the gingival margin and removing supporting bone.

**Note:** Electro-surgery at the time of crown preparation and impression taking with cord retraction, cannot be charged as a crown lengthening procedure.

### 8763 Wedge resection (as an isolated procedure)

Wedge resection is a periodontal procedure to reduce the bulky retromolar tissue forming the distal wall of a pocket. This could be distal to either a wisdom tooth or to a second molar upper or lower.

**Note:** The use of electro-surgery or cautery on its own does not constitute a fee for this procedure.

### **ORTHODONTIC FEES: GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONERS**

There is often confusion with regard to the selection of Codes and rendering of accounts for orthodontic treatment by general practitioners. Attention is drawn to the following:-

- 1. Where an account refers to **orthodontic services**, a statement containing the following information shall accompany the first account to the patient:-
  - (a) the code number of the envisaged treatment:
  - (b) a plan of treatment indicating the following:-
    - (i) the total tariff that would be charged by the practitioner for the treatment;
    - (ii) the duration of treatment;
    - (iii) the initial primary tariff payable by the member;
    - (iv) the monthly tariff to be paid by the member.
- 2. As there are no specific codes for orthodontic treatment in the General Practitioners' section of the National Schedule of Fees or in the Scale of Benefits, the General Practitioner must refer to the Specialist Orthodontists Schedule. The codes for the treatment must be quoted together with the Modifier 8004 (refer to Rules 009 and 011). This denotes that a General Practitioner is delivering the treatment and

the fee is calculated as up to two-thirds of the appropriate specialist fee. Where "L" is denoted this can be added on to the two-thirds fee. If "L" is not denoted then this is incorporated in the appropriate two-thirds fee and *cannot be added to the account*.

3. The fee for **Corrective Therapy** (i.e. Codes **8861** to **8888**) is *a fully inclusive fee and no additional fees* may be charged for additional visits (Code **8803**) until the treatment is completed.

#### 4. Removable Appliance Therapy (8862 & 8863)

Removable appliance therapy indicates that the patient is able to remove and replace the appliance *at will*.

Codes 8862-8863 are usually reserved for simple minor tooth movement and treatment would not normally extend over a longer period of time. No additional charges can be made for adjustment.

#### 5. **Functional Appliances**

Functional appliance therapy is classified under code 8858 and is only very rarely not followed by full fixed appliance therapy. Functional appliances are usually used as a first step in order to simplify the second stage of full fixed appliance treatment.

The fee charged for the functional appliance is deducted from the full fixed appliance fee and the remainder then becomes the fee charged for the second stage of the full fixed appliance therapy.

#### 6. **Fixed Appliance Therapy**

Fixed appliance therapy indicates that the appliance is fixed and cannot be removed by the patient at will.

All malocclusion codes listed under Fixed Appliance Therapy, i.e. 8865-8888, will invariably require, for the correction of the respective malocclusion, fixed appliances as the major component of appliance therapy *No laboratory fees* are charged for Codes 8861 and 8865 to 8888.

**NB:** These codes cannot be used for removable appliance therapy.

Some of the features that merit consideration and require full fixed appliances for their correction are:

- (a) Class II and Class III skeletal relationships.
- (b) Vertical discrepancies such as excessive anterior facial height, or reduced anterior facial height.
- (c) Profile changes such as excessive protrusion and retrusion of the lips.
- (d) Dental malalignment such as overjet and overbite, correction, individual rotation and angulation, and the correct relationship of the maxillary and mandibular dental arches to each other.
- (e) The stability of the final result.

To further assist the General Practitioner in the interpretation of the Orthodontic Schedule, please note the following:-

## Payment

For fixed appliance therapy the fee payment arrangements are usually as follows:-

- (a) The practitioner decides upon a fee and the appropriate treatment code.
- (b) An initial fee is deducted from the total and the balance is reduced on a monthly basis over the estimated treatment time.