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Subject: Presbyterian Updates Its Fluoride Dental Varnish Project

Presbyterian Health Plan, Inc. and Presbyterian Insurance Company, Inc. (Presbyterian) are committed to keeping providers informed of any changes that may affect their practice. We would like to take this opportunity to provide an update on the expansion of Presbyterian's Fluoride Dental Varnish project.

Presbyterian's Fluoride Dental Varnish project allows primary care providers (PCPs) and pediatricians to administer fluoride varnish to children. When this project originally began, it was only available to pediatric Centennial Care members who were between the ages of zero months to three years old. At the time, there was not a specific code for dental varnish and providers were instructed to bill using the D1206 code.

Effective July 1, 2018, Presbyterian's Fluoride Dental Varnish project is available to all pediatric Centennial Care members who are between the ages of zero months and six years. In addition, a new procedure code was created for this service. The appropriate procedure code for billing dental varnish is code 99188. Please use this code instead of the D1206 code. Presbyterian reimburses \$15 per application. Non-dental providers can bill up to six applications for eligible members.

Non-dental PCPs and pediatricians should consider including fluoride varnish as part of the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) program well-child visit for Centennial Care members who meet the specific age guidelines. Fluoride treatment can help ensure good oral health and prevent early tooth decay and disease.

Thank you for partnering with us to improve the health of the patients, members and communities we serve. If you have any questions, please use the information on the back of this page to contact your Provider Network Management relationship executive.

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