**§3174-RR. Dental hygienist reimbursement**

**(REALLOCATED FROM TITLE 22, SECTION 3174-QQ)**

**1. Reimbursement.**  By October 1, 2012, the department shall provide for the reimbursement under the MaineCare program of independent practice dental hygienists practicing as authorized under Title 32, section 18375 for the following procedures:

A. Prophylaxis performed on a person who is 21 years of age or younger; [RR 2011, c. 1, §32 (RAL).]

B. Topical application of fluoride performed on a person who is 21 years of age or younger; [RR 2011, c. 1, §32 (RAL).]

C. Provision of oral hygiene instructions; [RR 2011, c. 1, §32 (RAL).]

D. The application of sealants; [RR 2011, c. 1, §32 (RAL).]

E. Temporary fillings; and [RR 2011, c. 1, §32 (RAL).]

F. X-rays. [RR 2011, c. 1, §32 (RAL).]

Reimbursement must be provided to independent practice dental hygienists directly or to a federally qualified health center pursuant to section 3174‑V when an independent practice dental hygienist is employed as a core provider at the center.

[PL 2015, c. 429, §4 (AMD).]

**2. Rulemaking.**  The department shall adopt rules to implement this section. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2‑A.

[RR 2011, c. 1, §32 (RAL).]

SECTION HISTORY

RR 2011, c. 1, §32 (RAL). PL 2015, c. 429, §4 (AMD).

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