Topical Fluoride Varnish Reimbursement

In Pennsylvania

WHAT IS TFV?

Topical fluoride varnish is a highly effective, simple preventative measure against tooth decay, the most common chronic infectious disease of childhood (5 times more common than asthma).

REIMBURSEMENT -MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

- Billing submitted by MD/DO and NP (only if in independent practice)
- Applied by MD/DO, PA, CRNP, RN, LPN (Licensed Practitioner)
- Reimbursement is available **to age 21**
- Can be applied up to 4 times per year (at least every 3 months for at risk children)
- HTHC Oral Health in Your Office or Smiles for Life training required

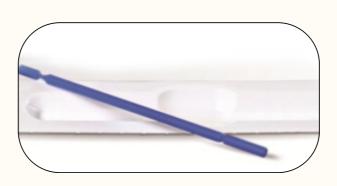
REIMBURSEMENT -COMMERCIAL

- Billing submitted by MD/DO and NP (only if in independent practice)
- Applied by MD/DO, PA, CRNP
- Reimbursement is available to age 6
- Can be applied up to 4 times per year (at least every 3 months for at risk children)
- No training required for application



BILLING AND REIMBURSEMENT

- Reimbursement rates: S6-S35 for 99188
- First dollar coverage (with checkups), no copays or deductibles for the patient
- HTHC provides ongoing technical support for trained practices and can help troubleshoot any billing issues you may encounter
- Refer to MORE Care <u>project chart</u> for medical-to-dental caries and periodontal referral recommendations
- Medical and dental billing for fluoride varnish reimbursement are separate according to both dental and medical MA fee schedules. Medical providers can be reimbursed for TFV 4 times a year regardless of TFV application and billing from the dentist.



ICD 10 CM CODES

- Z29.3 Application of fluoride varnish
- Z13.84 Encounter for screening for dental disorders
- Z41.8 Encounter for other procedures for purposes other than remedying health state
- K02.9 Dental Caries
- K12.2 Cellulitis and abscess of mouth
- K08.8 Other specified disorders of teeth and supporting structures

