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## INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 872

**DATE:** December 9, 2009  
**TO:** Iowa Medicaid Dental Providers  
**ISSUED BY:** Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise  
**RE:** Oral and Maxillofacial Dentists

Programming changes to the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise claims payment now allow for billing of oral and maxillofacial CPT codes on the CMS 1500 claim form when provided by dentists who are qualified oral and maxillofacial surgeons or radiologists. Dentists who perform these specialized services and wish to bill the CPT codes should submit documentation that they are:

- A diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery; or
- A member of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons; or
- Have successfully completed a formal graduate or residency training program in oral surgery accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.

Dentists who specialize in oral and maxillofacial radiology and wish to bill the CPT codes should submit documentation that they are:

- A diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology; or
- Successful completion of a formal graduate or residency training program in oral and maxillofacial radiology accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.

The documentation described above should be addressed to: IME Provider Enrollment, P.O. Box 36450, Des Moines, Iowa, 50315. No payment will be made for CPT codes billed by dentists unless the above criteria are met and the documentation has been received by the IME.

Dentists who are oral and maxillofacial surgeons or radiologists may bill on either the CMS 1500 claim form or the ADA dental claim form. Only CPT codes can be billed on the CMS1500 claim form. Only CDT codes can be billed on the ADA dental claim form. Depending on the services provided, it may be necessary to submit both claim forms for the same date of service. The code with the most specific descriptor should be used whenever possible.

A fee schedule listing of the CPT codes payable for dentist oral and maxillofacial surgeons and radiologists is located at: [http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Reports\\_Publications/FeeSchedule.html](http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Reports_Publications/FeeSchedule.html). If you do not have computer access, a paper copy can be requested by contacting the IME Provider Services Unit below.

If you have any questions, please contact the IME Provider Services Unit, 1-800-338-7909, locally 515-725-1004 or by e-mail at [imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us](mailto:imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us).