NOTICE: Dental Coding and Prior Authorization Updates

Dear Provider,

Please see a detailed listing below regarding CDT updates for 2020. These updates are reflected in the Dental Matrix located on the Health Choice Arizona website under the ‘Providers’ section. www.healthchoiceaz.com

Replacement codes effective 1/1/2020:
- D1551 re-cement or re-bond bilateral space maintainer- maxillary,
- D1552 re-cement or re-bond bilateral space maintainer- mandibular;
- D1553 re-cement or re-bond unilateral space maintainer- per quadrant;
- D1556 removal of fixed unilateral space maintainer-per quadrant;
- D1557 removal of fixed bilateral space maintainer-maxillary (by dentist or practice that did not place appliance);
- D1558 removal of fixed bilateral space maintainer-mandibular (done by dentist or practice that did not place appliance);
- D8696 repair of orthodontic appliance-maxillary;
- D8697 repair of orthodontic appliance-mandibular;
- D8698 re-cement or re-bond fixed retainer-maxillary;
- D8699 re-cement or re-bond fixed retainer-mandibular;
- D8701 repair of fixed retainers includes reattachment-maxillary;
- D8702 repair of fixed retainers includes reattachment-mandibular;
- D8703 replacement of lost or broken retainer-maxillary;
- D8704 replacement of lost or broken retainer-mandibular

Codes Requiring Prior Authorization effective 3/1/2020:
- D2753 crown-porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys,
- D5284 removable unilateral partial denture one piece flexible base (including clasps and teeth) per quadrant;
- D5286 removable unilateral partial denture-one piece resin (including clasps and teeth) per quadrant

Please reference the Dental Matrix for description and limitations for the following codes:
- D1551, D1552, D1553, D1556, D1557, D1558

Code deletions:
- D8691; D8692; D8693; D8694; D1550; D1555

If you have any question or need additional information, please call Health Choice Provider Relations at 1-800-322-8670. Thank you for your continued commitment to serving our members and ensuring the provision of quality care and services.