

**COHC Report to the GLAO  
May 2021**

The COHC has remained busy since our last conference call in January. We intend to have an option of meeting either in-person or virtually this summer.

***ADA CMC Report***

Three AAO/COHC Code Action Requests for CDT 2022 were approved by the ADA CMC.

- 1) Delete Interceptive Orthodontic Treatment subcategory nomenclature, descriptor, and codes D8050/D8060
- 2) Revise Limited Orthodontic Treatment descriptor
- 3) Delete D8690 "Orthodontic Treatment (alternative billing to a contract fee)"

Beginning in 2022, the interceptive orthodontic treatment codes will cease to exist and the descriptor of limited orthodontic treatment will be revised.

In the 2020 survey 29.1% of respondents listed "coding for a digital intraoral scan" as a top three area of concern. Currently, the AAO is recommending members use D0470 and D9950 to address diagnostic work flow items.

CMC approved a new code for molecular testing and a series of codes for COVID-19 vaccination.

***Imbedded Dental Plan Task Force (IDPTF)***

The creation of the Imbedded Dental Plan Task Force was approved by the BOT. This task force is dedicated to working on the issue of stand-alone dental plans. The COHC will continuously remain updated on their work.

***Member Submission Web Form***

The COHC and AAO Staff are exploring a web form for Members to use to submit future coding and billing concerns to the COHC for consideration. This web form will be targeted for implementation after the AAO's New Member Website launch.

We look forward to meeting this summer!

Respectfully submitted,

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