

# BILLING & CODING FOR FLUORIDE VARNISH APPLICATION IN ILLINOIS

Code	Description
99188	Application of topical fluoride varnish by a physician or other qualified health care professional
99401	Preventive medicine counseling and / or risk factor reduction intervention(s) provided to an individual (separate procedure); approx. 15 minutes
D1206	Topical application of fluoride varnish

- D1206 is used for Medicaid and select Medicaid MCOs
  - Children ages 0 - 36 months
  - All Medicaid patients are considered high-risk for Early Childhood Caries (ECC)
  - Medicaid reimbursement of \$26/application
  - County Care, Molina, Meridian, Harmondy Medicaid, etc. MCOs the discount rate is subject to provider contracted with the MCO
- 99188 is used for commercial insurance and select Medicaid MCOs
  - Providers should refer to individual plan's contract / provider agreement for information about reimbursement
  - Recommended for children up to 6 years of age



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the American Academy of Pediatrics

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