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Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

2024 Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan - Standard and Basic Option
Section 5. Benefits
Section 5(b). Surgical and Anesthesia Services Provided by Physicians and Other Healthcare Professionals
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Note: For Standard Option, we state whether or not the calendar year deductible applies for each benefit listed in this Section. There is no calendar year deductible under Basic Option.

Benefit Description

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Oral surgical procedures, limited to:

- Excision of tumors and cysts of the jaws, cheeks, lips, tongue, roof and floor of mouth when pathological examination is necessary

- Surgery needed to correct accidental injuries to jaws, cheeks, lips, tongue, roof and floor of mouth

  Note: **Prior approval is required for oral/maxillofacial surgery needed to correct accidental injuries as described above, except when care is provided within 72 hours of the accidental injury.** Please refer to Section 3 for more information.

- Excision of exostoses of jaws and hard palate

- Incision and drainage of abscesses and cellulitis

- Incision and surgical treatment of accessory sinuses, salivary glands, or ducts

- Reduction of dislocations and excision of temporomandibular joints

- Removal of impacted teeth

Note: Dentists and oral surgeons who are in our Preferred Dental Network for routine dental care are not necessarily Preferred providers for other services covered by this Plan under other benefit provisions (such as the surgical benefit for oral and maxillofacial surgery). Call us at the customer

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service phone number on the back of your ID card to verify that your provider is Preferred for the type of care (e.g., routine dental care or oral surgery) you are scheduled to receive.

Standard Option - You Pay
Preferred: 15% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Non-participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies), plus any difference between our allowance and the billed amount

Note: You may request prior approval and receive specific benefit information in advance for surgeries to be performed by Non-participating physicians when the charge for the surgery will be **$5,000 or more**. See Section 3 for more information.

Basic Option - You Pay
Preferred: $150 copayment per performing surgeon, for surgical procedures performed in an office setting

Preferred: $200 copayment per performing surgeon, for surgical procedures performed in all other settings

Note: Your provider will document the place of service when filing your claim for the procedure(s). Please contact the provider if you have any questions about the place of service.

Note: If you receive the services of a co-surgeon, you pay a separate copayment for those services, based on where the surgical procedure is performed. No additional copayment applies to the services of assistant surgeons.

Note: You pay 30% of the Plan allowance for agents, drugs, and/or supplies administered or obtained in connection with your care.

Participating/Non-participating: You pay all charges

Benefit Description

Not covered:

- *Oral implants and transplants except for those required to treat accidental injuries as specifically and previously described and in Section 5(g)*

- *Surgical procedures that involve the teeth or their supporting structures (such as the periodontal membrane, gingiva, and alveolar bone), except for those required to treat*

accidental injuries as specifically and previously described and in Section 5(g)

- *Surgical procedures involving dental implants or preparation of the mouth for the fitting or the continued use of dentures, except for those required to treat accidental injuries as specifically and previously described and in Section 5(g)*

- *Orthodontic care before, during, or after surgery, except for orthodontia associated with surgery to correct accidental injuries as specifically and previously described and in Section 5(g)*

Standard Option - You Pay
All charges

Basic Option - You Pay
All charges