

Dear Colleague

GENERAL DENTAL SERVICES

AMENDMENT NO 120 TO THE STATEMENT OF DENTAL REMUNERATION - INCORPORATION OF CHILDSMILE PRACTICE INTO THE STATEMENT OF DENTAL REMUNERATION

Summary

1. This letter advises NHS Boards and Practitioner Services of the publication of an amendment to the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR), Amendment No 120, which takes effect from 1 October 2011.

Action

2. NHS Boards and Practitioner Services are asked to note the amendments to Determination I and XIV to the SDR, details of which are included in the Memorandum to this letter.

3. NHS Boards are asked to **urgently** copy and issue the Memorandum to this letter to all dentists and dental bodies corporate on their dental lists.

Yours sincerely



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**AMENDMENT NO 120 TO THE STATEMENT OF DENTAL REMUNERATION -
INCORPORATION OF CHILDSMILE PRACTICE INTO THE STATEMENT OF
DENTAL REMUNERATION**

1. This Memorandum advises dentists and dental bodies corporate of an amendment to the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR), Amendment No 120, which takes effect from 1 October 2011.
2. The Memorandum to NHS: PCA(D)(2011)4, issued on 12 July 2011:
 - 2.1 provided advance notification to dentists and dental bodies corporate of the incorporation of Childsmile Practice into the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR) with effect from 1 October 2011; and
 - 2.2 advised that more information and an amendment to the SDR to provide for the incorporation of Childsmile Practice into the SDR would be issued nearer the implementation date.
3. The following provides more information on the changes which are being made to Section X (Treatment under Capitation) of Determination I to the SDR to bring the incorporate of Childsmile Practice into effect.
4. We realise that this is a major change to the SDR and it may take time for everyone to adapt. Therefore for the first 6 months we will be as flexible as possible if practitioners are facing difficulty with implementation.

Determination I (Scale of Fees) - Section X (Treatment under Capitation)

Capitation Payments – 0-2 years (inclusive)

5. The basic capitation fee (item 41(a)(i)) remains unchanged and requires the dentist to provide care and treatment to include examinations, radiographs where required and provide and record all preventive care to Childsmile Practice standards, as follows;
 - 5.1 Toothbrushing instruction (item 41 (a)(ii)(1) - item codes 4103 and 4104): the demonstration of appropriate toothbrushing technique to the patient, or the patient's parent or carer, then supervising the parent or carer whilst they brush the patient's teeth with a toothbrush and at least 1000ppm fluoride toothpaste. This activity must be undertaken at least annually and recorded.

5.2 Dietary advice (item 41 (a)(ii)(2) - item codes 4105 and 4106): relevant dietary advice targeted to the patient's specific requirements as directed by the caries risk assessment including when appropriate diet diaries. This activity must be undertaken at least annually and recorded.

6. An additional annual fee, according to the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) of the patient's postcode of residence, will be paid for undertaking and recording the above Childsmile Practice preventive measures (item 41(a)(ii)). This fee where a patient's postcode of residence is within SIMD 4 + 5 will be £5.00 per child and is further enhanced to £15.25 per child where a patient's postcode of residence is within SIMD 1-3 (most deprived).

7. A fee under the new item 41(a)(ii) will only be paid on receipt by Practitioner Services of a payment claim form recording the delivery of the preventive care described at paragraph 5.1 and 5.2 above (items 41(a)(ii)(1) and (2)). This preventive care must be delivered and recorded within 12 months of 1 October 2011 and each successive 12 months thereafter for each child aged 0-2 (inclusive) registered with the contractor. In the case of a new patient the preventive care must be delivered and recorded within 12 months of first registration with the contractor and each successive 12 months thereafter.

8. Any claims for an additional annual fee (item 41(a)(ii)) shall only be paid where the appropriate item code (4103 or 4104 and 4105 or 4106) is recorded on the GP17 to show whether the preventive care was undertaken by the dentist or a dental care professional. Any claim where the relevant item codes have not been provided will be returned by Practitioner Services unpaid.

9. A fee under the new item 41(a)(ii) will only be paid where a full and valid postcode has been provided. If a full and valid postcode has not been provided the fee payable will default to that for SIMD 4-5.

Capitation Payments – 3-5 years (inclusive)

10. The basic capitation fee (item 41 (a)(iii)) remains unchanged and requires the dentist to provide care and treatment to include examinations, radiographs where required and provide and record all preventive care to Childsmile Practice standards, as follows;

10.1 Toothbrushing instruction (item 41 (a)(iv)(1) – item codes 4107 and 4108): the demonstration of appropriate toothbrushing technique to the patient, or the patient's parent or carer, then supervising the parent or carer whilst they brush the patient's teeth with a toothbrush and at least 1000ppm fluoride toothpaste. This activity must be undertaken at least annually and recorded.

10.2 Dietary advice (item 41 (a)(iv)(2) – item codes 4109 and 4110): relevant dietary advice targeted to the patient's specific requirements as directed by the caries risk assessment including when appropriate diet diaries. This activity must be undertaken at least annually and recorded.

11. Where a patient's postcode of residence is within SIMD 1-3 (most deprived) then an additional fee of £5.00 per child will be paid for undertaking and recording the above Childsmile Practice preventive measures (item 41 (a)(v)).

12. A fee under the new item 41(a)(v) will only be paid on receipt by Practitioner Services of a payment claim form recording the delivery of the preventive care described at paragraph 10.1 and 10.2 above (items 41(a)(iv)(1) and (2)). This preventive care must be delivered and recorded within 12 months of 1 October 2011 and each successive 12 months thereafter for each eligible child aged 3-5 (inclusive) registered with the contractor. In the case of a new patient the preventive care must be delivered and recorded within 12 months of first registration with the contractor and each successive 12 months thereafter.

13. Any claims for an additional annual fee (item 41(a)(v)) shall only be paid where the appropriate item code (4107 or 4108 and 4109 or 4110) is recorded on the GP17 to show whether the preventive care was undertaken by the dentist or a dental care professional. Any claim where the relevant item codes have not been provided will be returned by Practitioner Services unpaid.

14. A fee under the new item 41(a)(v) will only be paid where a full and valid postcode has been provided. If a full and valid postcode has not been provided then no fee will be payable.

Capitation Payments – 6-17 years (inclusive)

15. The basic capitation fees (Item 41 (a)(vi)) remains unchanged and requires the dentist to provide examinations, oral hygiene advice, toothbrushing advice, dietary advice, radiographs where required and all clinical prevention.

Enhanced Capitation Payments

16. The enhanced capitation fee for patients aged 0–5 years (item 41) has been removed.

Fluoride Varnish Payment

17. A new fee will be payable for each full mouth application of fluoride varnish in children aged 2-5 years (inclusive) (item 44(g)). Two applications can be made in each 12 month period provided that there is 3 complete calendar months between each application.

Help

18. There is a List of Childsmile FAQs at <http://www.childsmile.org.uk/professionals/faqs.aspx>, which is also available through <http://www.scottishdental.org>. In addition there is a general comment and question email contact at childsmile@nhs.net; this mailbox is checked regularly and you will either receive a direct response or the answer will be posted on the FAQ section.

SIMD

19. If your software provider has not incorporated SIMD into its programme then Practitioner Services will provide a facility for practices to determine the SIMD for a patient post code. This will be made available by 1 October 2011 at: <http://www.psd.scot.nhs.uk/professionals/dental/index.html>.

Monitoring

20. Monitoring of preventive care under items 41(a)(ii), 41(a)(iv) and 44(g) will be undertaken by the Dental Reference Service.

Determination XIV (Practice Allowances) - Part IV (Extended Duty Dental Training Allowance)

21. Extended Duty Dental Nurses are expected to form the main staff group delivering Childsmile within the SDR. A compulsory six day training programme requires to be undertaken by dental nurses wishing to undertake this important role. Practices which release staff to undertake such training will be reimbursed with an agreed Training Allowance (£540) on successful completion of training. NHS Education for Scotland (NES) is managing the training for the Childsmile Programme. Practitioner Services will make this payment to eligible practices without claim on notification from NES of those dental nurses who successfully complete training. A new Part IV to Determination XIV of the SDR has been introduced to provide for this payment.

22. The attached Amendment No 120 to the SDR brings the changes at paragraphs 5 to 21 above into effect.

Childsmile Practice Pilots

23. Childsmile Practice is currently being piloted across Scotland. These pilots will cease on 30 September 2011. Any practices taking part in these pilots **must** submit claims to Practitioner Services for Childsmile Practice pilot payments by the end of December 2011.

Enquiries

24. Any enquiries arising from this Memorandum should be taken up with your NHS Board.

Scottish Government, Health and Social Care Integration
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AMENDMENT NO 120

STATEMENT OF DENTAL REMUNERATION

Pursuant to Regulation 22(3) of the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulations 2010, as amended, Scottish Ministers have amended on 1 October 2011 the Statement of Dental Remuneration.

Amendment No 120

1. This amendment shall take effect from the date set out below:
 - (i) the amendments to Determinations I and XIV shall take effect from 1 October 2011.
2. This amendment shall not affect any rights or liabilities acquired or incurred under or by virtue of any provisions of the Statement of Dental Remuneration amended or replaced by this Amendment.
3. The attached pages 40, 41, 42, 42A, 42B and 150 replace pages 40, 41, 42 and 150 in Amendment No 118 to the Statement of Dental Remuneration.

Section X—Treatment under Capitation

41. **Capitation Payments:** Fees for patients aged under 18 years and accepted into capitation:—

41(a)(i) Aged 0 - 2 years (inclusive) - basic fee for the care and treatment to include examinations, radiographs where required and preventive care as detailed under item 41(a)(ii), 41(a)(ii)(1) and 41(a)(ii)(2):

| | Dentist's Fee | Patient's Charge |
|------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| per month | £1.66 | (£0.00) |

41(a)(ii) Aged 0 - 2 years (inclusive) - annual fee according to the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) of the patient's postcode of residence for recording preventive care as required under item 41(a)(i) to Childsmile Practice standards as described in the Memorandum to NHS: PCA(D)(2011)5. This preventive care to include as follows:

- (1) Toothbrushing instruction: the demonstration of appropriate toothbrushing technique to the patient, or the patient's parent or carer, then supervising the parent or carer whilst they brush the patient's teeth with a toothbrush and at least 1000ppm fluoride toothpaste. This activity must be undertaken at least annually and recorded, using the codes below:

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| 4103 |
| 4104 |

by dentist
by dental care professional

- (2) Dietary advice: relevant dietary advice targeted to the patient's specific requirements as directed by the caries risk assessment including when appropriate diet diaries. This activity must be undertaken at least annually and recorded, using the codes below:

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| 4105 |
| 4106 |

by dentist
by dental care professional

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| 4101 | SIMD 1 – 3 – per child | £ 15.25 | £ 0.00 |
| 4102 | SIMD 4 + 5 – per child | £ 5.00 | £ 0.00 |

41(a)(iii) Aged 3 - 5 years (inclusive) - basic fee for the care and treatment to include examinations, radiographs where required and preventive care as detailed under item 41(a)(iv), 41(a)(iv)(1) and 41(a)(iv)(2):

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| per month | £2.20 | (£0.00) |
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41(a)(iv) Aged 3 - 5 years (inclusive) - recording preventive care as required under item 41(a)(iii) to Childsmile Practice standards as described in the Memorandum to NHS: PCA(D)(2011)5. This preventive care to include as follows:

- (1) Toothbrushing instruction: the demonstration of appropriate toothbrushing technique to the patient, or the patient's parent or carer, then supervising the parent or carer whilst they brush the patient's teeth with a toothbrush and at least 1000ppm fluoride toothpaste. This activity must be undertaken at least annually and recorded, using the codes below:

4107

by dentist

4108

by dental care professional

- (2) Dietary advice: relevant dietary advice targeted to the patient's specific requirements as directed by the caries risk assessment including when appropriate diet diaries. This activity must be undertaken at least annually and recorded, using the codes below:

4109

by dentist

4110

by dental care professional

41(a)(v) Annual fee where the patient's postcode of residence is in a Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) area of 1 to 3 for recording toothbrushing instruction and dietary advice under item 41(a)(iv)(1) and (2):

4111

| | Dentist's Fee | Patient's Charge |
|-------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| SIMD 1 – 3 – per child | £ 5.00 | £ 0.00 |

41(a)(vi) Aged 6 - 17 years (inclusive) - basic fee for the care and treatment to Childsmile Practice standards as described in the Memorandum to NHS: PCA(D)(2011)5. To include examinations, oral hygiene advice, toothbrushing advice, dietary advice, radiographs where required and all clinical prevention.

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| 6–12 years | per month | £3.88 | (£0.00) |
| 13–17 years | per month | £5.00 | (£0.00) |

41(b) Where the patient has a severe mental or physical disability or severe learning difficulties and where, to provide treatment, it is necessary for the dentist to spend at least double the normal amount of time for a patient of the same age:

per month double the appropriate basic fee item 41(a)(i), 41(a)(iii) and 41(a)(vi) (no patient charge)

41(c) This item has been deleted.

41(d) This item has been deleted

41(e) Where the patient's postcode of residence is in a Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) area 1 the dentist or contractor shall receive an addition to the capitation fee paid monthly in arrears:

per month

[£0.21] (no patient charge)

Provisos to Item 41:

1. no fee shall be payable to the same dentist under items 41(a)(i), 41(a)(iii), 41(a)(vi) and 41(b) for the same patient;
2. where necessary to secure or maintain oral health, additional fees shall be payable to the same dentist under the following items: 1(d) [care and treatment summary], 2(b) [study casts], 3 [clinical photographs], 14 [permanent fillings], 15(a), 15(b) and 15(c) [endodontics], 16 [veneers], 17 [inlays and crowns], 18 [bridges], 21 [extractions], 22 [extractions of special difficulty and other oral surgery], 23(a)(1) [arrest of haemorrhage], 25 [sedations], 27(b) and 27(c) [provision of dentures], 27(e) [special trays], 27(f) [identification marker], 28(a) [repairs to dentures], 28(c) [relining and rebasing dentures], 28(d) [additions to dentures], 29 [appliances], 32 [orthodontics], 35 [domiciliary visits and recalled attendance], 40 [any other treatment—where lab cost is involved], 44 [treatment special to minors], 53(a)(1) [arrest of haemorrhage], 62 [incomplete dentures], 63(e) and 63(f) [incomplete endodontic treatment], 64 [incomplete porcelain veneers], 65 [incomplete crowns], 73 [any other incomplete treatment—where lab cost is involved] and, when in connection with orthodontic treatment, 1(a), 1(b) or 1(c) [examination] and 2 [radiographs] and, where in connection with treatment under item 14(h) [permanent fillings] where the prior approval of the Board is sought for 5 or more restorations, 2(a)(1) [radiographs];
3. where necessitated by trauma [see paragraph (1) of Section I—Interpretation], additional fees shall be payable for all items of treatment provided;
4. no fee shall be payable under item 41 for a patient in respect of whom the same dentist is providing occasional treatment or treatment on referral from another dentist;
5. a fee under item 41(a)(ii) shall only be paid on receipt of a payment claim form recording the delivery of the activity at items 41(a)(ii)(1) and 41(a)(ii)(2), which must be delivered and recorded within 12 months of 1 October 2011 and in each 12 month period thereafter or in the case of a new patient within 12 months of first registration with the contractor and in each 12 month period thereafter. Only one fee under item 41(a)(ii) shall be payable to the same dentist in the 12 month period from the recording on the payment claim form of the activities at items 41(a)(ii)(1) and 41(a)(ii)(2);
6. a fee under item 41(a)(ii) shall only be paid in respect of an eligible patient for whom a full and valid postcode has been provided. If a full and valid postcode has not been provided then the fee payable under item 41(a)(ii) will default to that for SIMD 4-5;
7. a fee under item 41(a)(v) shall only be paid on receipt of a payment claim form recording the delivery of the activity at items 41(a)(iv)(1) and 41(a)(iv)(2), which must be delivered and recorded within 12 months of 1 October 2011 and in each 12 month period thereafter or in the case of a new patient within 12 months of first registration with the contractor and in each 12 month period thereafter. Only one fee under item 41(a)(v) shall be payable to the same dentist in the 12 month period from the recording on the payment claim form of the activities at items 41(a)(iv)(1) and 41(a)(iv)(2);
8. a fee under item 41(a)(v) shall only be paid in respect of an eligible patient for whom a full and valid postcode has been provided. If a full and valid postcode has not been provided then no fee under item 41(a)(v) shall be payable;

9. a fee under item 41(e) shall only be paid in respect of an eligible patient for whom a full and valid postcode has been provided.
10. where the dentist has not submitted a payment claim form in respect of a patient for 3 years or more any of the fees payable under item 41(a)(i), 41(a)(iii), 41(a)(vi), 41(b) or 41(e) shall be reduced to 20% of the relevant fee.

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44. **Treatment Special to Minors:** Conservative treatment of deciduous teeth in patients under 18 years of age at the beginning of a course of treatment:—

- 44(a) Filling including any dressing, pulp capping and pin or screw or acid etch retention and other preparatory treatment, but excluding associated treatment appropriate to item 44(c) and 44(d):

| | | Dentist's Fee | Patient's Charge |
|-------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 4401 | per tooth | £7.95 | (£0.00) |

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- 44(b) Conservation of a molar with a preformed metal cap inclusive of all preparation in connection therewith, including dressings, pulp cappings and pin or screw or acid etch retention, but excluding associated treatment in connection with item 44(c):

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| 4402 | per tooth | £20.90 | (£0.00) |
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- 44(c) Amputation of the coronal portion of the vital pulp, including any necessary dressing:

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| 4403 | per tooth | £8.35 | (£0.00) |
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- 44(d) Non vital pulpotomy including any necessary dressing:

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| 4404 | per tooth | £15.85 | (£0.00) |
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- 44(e) In connection with treatment on referral: filling including any dressing, pulp capping and pin or screw or acid etch retention and other preparatory treatment, but excluding associated treatment appropriate to item 44(c) and 44(d):

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| 4405 | per tooth | £14.10 | (£0.00) |
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- 44(f) Application of fissure sealants as a primary preventive measure to pits and fissures of unfilled permanent molar teeth within 2 years of their eruption:

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| 4406 | per tooth | £7.95 | (£0.00) |
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- 44(g) Application of topical fluoride to all tooth surfaces where the patient is aged 2 - 5 years (inclusive):

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| 4407 | per full mouth application | £6.00 | (£0.00) |
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Proviso to Item 44:

1. no fee under item 44(e) shall be payable where a fee has been paid, or is payable, to, or in respect of, the same dentist under item 41;
2. only one fee under item 44(f) shall be payable for the same tooth by the same dentist;
3. no fee under item 44(g) shall be payable where a fee has been paid, or is payable, to, or in respect of, the same dentist for treatment provided under item 44(g) in the previous 3 complete calendar months;
4. no more than 2 fees shall be payable to, or in respect of, the same dentist under item 44(g) in any 12 complete calendar months.

Part IV – Extended Duty Dental Nurse Training Practice Allowance

Conditions of Entitlement

15.—(1) The CSA shall, where a contractor has satisfied the conditions specified in sub-paragraph (2), pay to the designated contractor within the practice an allowance in accordance with paragraph 16.

(2) The conditions referred to in sub-paragraph (1) are that:

(a) the contractor has released a dental nurse to undertake Extended Duty Dental Nurse training in order to deliver preventive care in accordance with Section X of Determination I; and

(b) the dental nurse has successfully completed the Extended Duty Dental Nurse training.

Amount of Allowance

16.—(1) The amount of allowance to be paid where the contractor has satisfied the condition in sub-paragraph 15(2) and where NHS Education for Scotland has advised the CSA that a dental nurse has successfully completed the Extended Duty Dental Nurse training shall be:

£540.00.

(2) Only one allowance shall be payable to a designated contractor in respect of an individual dental nurse.

Part V – Application of Determination

15. This Determination shall take effect from:

(i) 1 April 2005 in respect of Part I for those contractors who are dentists other than paragraphs 2(2), 2(4), 3(2), 4 and 6 which shall take effect from 1 September 2005 and 2 July 2010 for those contractors who are bodies corporate;

(ii) 1 April 2003 in respect of Part II for those contractors who are dentists and 2 July 2010 in respect of those contractors who are bodies corporate;

(iii) 1 April 2003 in respect of Part III and

(iv) 1 October 2011 in respect of Part IV.