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DQA Measure Specifications: Administrative Claims-Based Measures Ambulatory Care Sensitive Emergency Department Visits for Non-Traumatic Dental Conditions in Adults

Description: Number of emergency department (ED) visits for ambulatory care sensitive non-traumatic dental conditions per 100,000 member months for adults

Numerator: Number of ED visits with an ambulatory care sensitive non-traumatic dental condition diagnosis code among individuals 18 years and older

Denominator: All member months for individuals 18 years and older during the reporting year **Rate:** (NUM/DEN)x100,000

Rationale: The use of emergency departments (EDs) for non-traumatic dental conditions has been a growing public health concern across the United States (US)^{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8} with over 2 million visits occurring in 2015.⁹ The majority of ED visits are semi-urgent (53.8%) or non-urgent (23.9%)¹⁰, which can be better managed in an ambulatory care setting. Dental care in an ED setting is not definitive with limited care continuity that ultimately leads to poor oral health outcomes.^{11,12,13}

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¹<u>Access measures</u> "assess the ability to obtain needed healthcare services in a timely manner, including the perceptions and experiences of people regarding their ease of reaching health services or health facilities in terms of proximity, location, time, and ease of approach. Examples may include, but are not limited to, measures that address the timeliness of response or services, time until next available appointment, and availability of services within a community." National Quality Forum. "NQF Glossary."



Level of Aggregation: Program (NOTE: This measure requires claims data from medical encounters. Consequently, this measure applies to programs, such as Medicaid, that provide both medical and dental benefits. Use of this measure for stand-alone dental benefit plans may result in feasibility issues due to lack of access to necessary data. Use by health plans that provide both medical and dental benefits may be considered after assessment of data element feasibility within the plans' databases).

Improvement Noted As: A lower rate indicates better quality.

Data Required: Administrative enrollment and claims data (medical); single year. When using claims data to determine service receipt, include only paid claims.

Measure Purpose: Examples of questions that can be answered through this measure at each level of aggregation:

- 1. What is the rate of emergency department visits for ambulatory care sensitive non-traumatic dental conditions in the enrolled population during the reporting period?
- 2. Over time, does the rate of emergency department visits by adults for ambulatory care sensitive nontraumatic dental conditions stay stable, increase, or decrease?

This measure is designed to measure access to care by evaluating the rate of non-traumatic dental related emergency department visits. This measure is not to be interpreted as a measure of resource utilization.

Applicable Stratification Variables

1. Age: 18, 19-20, 21-24, 25-34, 35-44, 45-54, 55-64, 65-74, 75-84, 85 and above

Ambulatory Care Sensitive ED Visits for Non-Traumatic Dental Conditions Calculation

1. Calculate total eligible member months as the sum of all member months for enrollees aged **18 years and older** as of the 15th or 30th day of the month as appropriate for when eligibility determinations are made. Either the 15th or the 30th should be selected and used consistently across all member months during the reporting year.

Dual Eligible Exclusion: Exclude all member months (and associated claims in those months) in which an individual was eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid (i.e., "dual eligible").

Reporting notes for age stratifications:

- Member months will be attributed to each age stratum based on the member's age as of the 15th or 30th day of the month. Either the 15th or the 30th should be selected and used consistently across all member months during the reporting year.
- One member can contribute member months to more than one age stratum.

YOU NOW HAVE DENOMINATOR (DEN) COUNT: Total member months

- 2. Identify all emergency department visits for ambulatory care sensitive non-traumatic dental conditions occurring during eligible member months within the reporting year:
 - a. Identify a health care encounter as an ED visit if <u>ANY</u> of the following codes are present:
 - CPT codes 99281-99285 (ED visit for patient evaluation/management); OR
 - Revenue codes 0450-0459 (Emergency Room) or 0981 (professional fees for ER services); OR
 - CMS place of service code for professional claims 23 (Emergency Room)



- b. Member must be >=18 years on date of visit
- c. Identify an ED visit as being for an ambulatory care sensitive non-traumatic dental condition if:
 - i. any of the ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes in Table 1 is listed as a FIRST-LISTED diagnosis code associated with the visit

OR

ii. (a) any of the ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes in Table 2 is listed as a FIRST-LISTED diagnosis **AND**

(b) any of the ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes in Table 1 is listed as an ADDITIONAL LISTED diagnosis.

Note: Codes from Table 2 must be accompanied by a code from Table 1 to qualify as a caries-related ED visit.

- d. Exclude visits that result in inpatient admissions where inpatient admissions are identified as:
 - (i) the patient has an inpatient admission defined by UB Type of Bill = 11x OR 12x OR 41x

AND

(ii) that admission occurred within 48 hours:

[inpatient admit date] - [ED admit date] >= 0 days AND <= 2 days.

Note: If there are 2 or more dental ED visits that occurred within 2 days of the same inpatient admission, **only one** of those ED visits should be counted as resulting in an inpatient admission. [Example: If there is one dental-related ED visit on Saturday and a second dental-related ED visit on Sunday with an inpatient admission also occurring on Sunday, then this would be counted as 2 ED visits with one being excluded as "resulting in an inpatient admission" and one retained in the denominator as "did not result in an inpatient admission."]

- e. Count only one visit per member per day.
- f. Sum the number of ED visits for ambulatory care sensitive non-traumatic dental conditions.

Reporting note for age stratifications: Numerator cases are stratified based on age on date of ED visit.

YOU NOW HAVE NUMERATOR (NUM) COUNT: Number of ED visits for ambulatory care sensitive nontraumatic dental conditions that did not result in an inpatient admission

- 3. Report
 - a. Unduplicated number of ED visits in the numerator after exclusions
 - b. Unduplicated number of member months in denominator
 - c. Rate per 100,000 member months: (NUM/DEN) x 100,000
 - d. Number of ED visits excluded because they resulted in an inpatient admission

*** Note: Reliability of the measure score depends on quality of the data elements that are used to calculate the measure. The percentage of missing or invalid data for each data element used to calculate the measure must be investigated prior to measurement. Data elements with high rates of missing or invalid data will adversely affect the accuracy and reliability of the measure rate.***



Table 1. Ambulatory Care Sensitive Non-Traumatic Dental Condition ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes

| ICD-10-CM Code | Description of ICD-10-CM Code |
|----------------|--|
| A69.0 | Necrotizing ulcerative stomatitis |
| A69.1 | Other Vincent's infections |
| K00.0 | Anodontia |
| K00.1 | Supernumerary teeth |
| K00.2 | Abnormalities of size and form of teeth |
| КОО.З | Mottled teeth |
| K00.4 | Disturbances of tooth formation |
| K00.5 | Hereditary disturbances in tooth structure, not elsewhere classified |
| K00.6 | Disturbances in tooth eruption |
| K00.8 | Other disorders of tooth development |
| КОО.9 | Disorder of tooth development, unspecified |
| К01.0 | Embedded teeth |
| K01.1 | Impacted teeth |
| К02.3 | Arrested dental caries |
| K02.51 | Dental caries pit and fissure surface limited to enamel |
| K02.52 | Dental caries on pit and fissure surface penetrating into dentin |
| K02.53 | Dental caries on pit and fissure surface penetrating into pulp |
| K02.61 | Dental caries on smooth surface limited to enamel |
| K02.62 | Dental caries on smooth surface penetrating into dentin |
| K02.63 | Dental caries on smooth surface penetrating into pulp |
| K02.7 | Dental root caries |
| К02.9 | Dental caries, unspecified |
| К03.0 | Excessive attrition of teeth |
| K03.1 | Abrasion of teeth |
| K03.2 | Erosion of teeth |
| К03.3 | Pathological resorption of teeth |
| КОЗ.4 | Hypercementosis |
| К03.5 | Ankylosis of teeth |
| К03.6 | Deposits (accretions) on teeth |
| K03.7 | Posteruptive color changes of dental hard tissues |
| K03.81 | Cracked tooth |
| K03.89 | Other specified diseases of hard tissues of teeth |



| K03.9 | Disease of hard tissues of teeth, unspecified |
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| K04.0 | Pulpitis |
| K04.01 | Reversible pulpitis |
| K04.02 | Irreversible pulpitis |
| K04.1 | Necrosis of pulp |
| K04.2 | Pulp degeneration |
| K04.3 | Abnormal hard tissue formation in pulp |
| K04.4 | Acute apical periodontitis of pulpal origin |
| K04.5 | Chronic apical periodontitis |
| K04.6 | Periapical abscess with sinus |
| K04.7 | Periapical abscess without sinus |
| K04.8 | Radicular cyst |
| K04.90 | Unspecified diseases of pulp and periapical tissues |
| K04.99 | Other diseases of pulp and periapical tissues |
| K05.00 | Acute gingivitis, plaque induced |
| K05.01 | Acute gingivitis, non-plaque induced |
| K05.10 | Chronic gingivitis, plaque induced |
| K05.11 | Chronic gingivitis, non-plaque induced |
| K05.20 | Aggressive periodontitis, unspecified |
| K05.21 | Aggressive periodontitis, localized |
| K05.22 | Aggressive periodontitis, generalized |
| K05.30 | Chronic periodontitis, unspecified |
| K05.31 | Chronic periodontitis, localized |
| K05.32 | Chronic periodontitis, generalized |
| K05.4 | Periodontosis |
| K05.5 | Other periodontal diseases |
| K05.6 | Periodontal disease, unspecified |
| K05.211 | Aggressive periodontitis, localized, slight |
| K05.212 | Aggressive periodontitis, localized, moderate |
| K05.213 | Aggressive periodontitis, localized, severe |
| K05.219 | Aggressive periodontitis, localized, unspecified severity |
| K05.221 | Aggressive periodontitis, generalized, slight |
| K05.222 | Aggressive periodontitis, generalized, moderate |
| K05.223 | Aggressive periodontitis, generalized, severe |



| K05.229 | Aggressive periodontitis, generalized, unspecified severity |
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| K05.311 | Chronic periodontitis, localized, slight |
| K05.312 | Chronic periodontitis, localized, moderate |
| K05.313 | Chronic periodontitis, localized, severe |
| K05.319 | Chronic periodontitis, localized, unspecified severity |
| K05.321 | Chronic periodontitis, generalized, slight |
| K05.322 | Chronic periodontitis, generalized, moderate |
| K05.323 | Chronic periodontitis, generalized, severe |
| K05.329 | Chronic periodontitis, generalized, unspecified severity |
| К06.0 | Gingival recession |
| K06.013 | Localized gingival recession, severe |
| K06.023 | Generalized gingival recession, severe |
| K06.1 | Gingival enlargement |
| К06.3 | Horizontal alveolar bone loss |
| K06.8 | Other specified disorders of gingiva and edentulous alveolar ridge |
| К06.9 | Disorder of gingiva and edentulous alveolar ridge, unspecified |
| K06.010 | Localized gingival recession, unspecified |
| K06.011 | Localized gingival recession, minimal |
| K06.012 | Localized gingival recession, moderate |
| K06.020 | Generalized gingival recession, unspecified |
| K06.021 | Generalized gingival recession, minimal |
| K06.022 | Generalized gingival recession, moderate |
| K08.0 | Exfoliation of teeth due to systemic causes |
| K08.101 | Complete loss of teeth, unspecified cause, class I |
| K08.102 | Complete loss of teeth, unspecified cause, class II |
| K08.103 | Complete loss of teeth, unspecified cause, class III |
| K08.104 | Complete loss of teeth, unspecified cause, class IV |
| K08.109 | Complete loss of teeth, unspecified cause, unspecified class |
| K08.12 | Complete loss of teeth due to periodontal diseases |
| K08.121 | Complete loss of teeth due to periodontal disease, class I |
| K08.122 | Complete loss of teeth due to periodontal disease, class II |
| K08.123 | Complete loss of teeth due to periodontal disease, class III |
| K08.124 | Complete loss of teeth due to periodontal disease, class IV |
| K08.129 | Complete loss of teeth due to periodontal disease, unspecified class |



| K08.13 | Complete loss of teeth due to caries |
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| K08.131 | Complete loss of teeth due to caries, class I |
| K08.132 | Complete loss of teeth due to caries, class II |
| K08.133 | Complete loss of teeth due to caries, class III |
| K08.134 | Complete loss of teeth due to caries, class IV |
| K08.139 | Complete loss of teeth due to caries, unspecified class |
| K08.191 | Complete loss of teeth due to other specified cause, class I |
| K08.192 | Complete loss of teeth due to other specified cause, class II |
| K08.193 | Complete loss of teeth due to other specified cause, class III |
| K08.194 | Complete loss of teeth due to other specified cause, class IV |
| K08.199 | Complete loss of teeth due to other specified cause, unspecified class |
| K08.20 | Unspecified atrophy of edentulous alveolar ridge |
| K08.21 | Minimal atrophy of the mandible |
| K08.22 | Moderate atrophy of the mandible |
| K08.23 | Severe atrophy of the mandible |
| K08.24 | Minimal atrophy of the maxilla |
| K08.25 | Moderate atrophy of the maxilla |
| K08.26 | Severe atrophy of the maxilla |
| K08.3 | Retained dental root |
| K08.401 | Partial loss of teeth, unspecified cause, class I |
| K08.402 | Partial loss of teeth, unspecified cause, class II |
| K08.403 | Partial loss of teeth, unspecified cause, class III |
| K08.404 | Partial loss of teeth, unspecified cause, class IV |
| K08.409 | Partial loss of teeth, unspecified cause, unspecified class |
| K08.421 | Partial loss of teeth due to periodontal diseases, class I |
| K08.422 | Partial loss of teeth due to periodontal diseases, class II |
| K08.423 | Partial loss of teeth due to periodontal diseases, class III |
| K08.424 | Partial loss of teeth due to periodontal diseases, class IV |
| K08.429 | Partial loss of teeth due to periodontal diseases, unspecified class |
| K08.431 | Partial loss of teeth due to caries, class I |
| K08.432 | Partial loss of teeth due to caries, class II |
| K08.433 | Partial loss of teeth due to caries, class III |
| K08.434 | Partial loss of teeth due to caries, class IV |
| K08.439 | Partial loss of teeth due to caries, unspecified class |



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| K08.491 | Partial loss of teeth due to other specified cause, class I |
| K08.492 | Partial loss of teeth due to other specified cause, class II |
| K08.493 | Partial loss of teeth due to other specified cause, class III |
| K08.494 | Partial loss of teeth due to other specified cause, class IV |
| K08.499 | Partial loss of teeth due to other unspecified cause, unspecified class |
| K08.50 | Unsatisfactory restoration of tooth, unspecified |
| K08.51 | Open restoration margins of tooth |
| K08.52 | Unrepairable overhanging of dental restorative materials |
| K08.530 | Fractured dental restorative material without loss of material |
| K08.531 | Fractured dental restorative material with loss of material |
| K08.539 | Fracture dental restorative material, unspecified |
| K08.54 | Contour of existing restoration of tooth biologically incompatible with oral health |
| K08.55 | Allergy to existing dental restorative material |
| K08.56 | Poor aesthetic of existing restoration of tooth |
| K08.59 | Other unsatisfactory restoration of tooth |
| K08.8 | Other specified disorders of teeth and supporting structures |
| K08.89 | Other specified disorders of teeth and supporting structures |
| K08.9 | Disorder of teeth and supporting structures, unspecified |
| К09.0 | Developmental odontogenic cysts |
| K09.1 | Developmental (nonodotogenic) cysts of oral region |
| K09.8 | Other cysts of oral region, not elsewhere classified |
| К09.9 | Cyst of oral region, unspecified |
| K11.0 | Atrophy of salivary gland |
| K11.1 | Hypertrophy of salivary gland |
| K11.20 | Sialoadenitis, unspecified |
| K11.21 | Acute sialoadenitis |
| K11.22 | Acute recurrent sialoadenitis |
| K11.23 | Chronic sialoadenitis |
| K11.3 | Abscess of salivary gland |
| K11.4 | Fistula of salivary gland |
| K11.5 | Sialolithiasis |
| K11.6 | Mucocele of salivary gland |
| K11.7 | Disturbances of salivary secretion |



| Other diseases of salivary glands |
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| Disease of the salivary glands, unspecified |
| Recurrent oral aphthae |
| Other forms of stomatitis |
| Cellulitis and abscess of mouth |
| Oral mucositis (ulcerative), unspecified |
| Oral mucositis (ulcerative) due to antineoplastic therapy |
| Oral mucositis (ulcerative) due to other drugs |
| Oral mucositis (ulcerative) due to radiation |
| Other oral mucositis (ulcerative) |
| Diseases of lips |
| Cheek and lip biting |
| Leukoplakia of oral mucosa, including tongue |
| Minimal keratinized residual ridge mucosa |
| Excessive keratinized residual ridge mucosa |
| Leukokeratosis nicotina palati |
| Other disturbances of oral epithelium, including tongue |
| Hairy leukoplakia |
| Granuloma and granuloma-like lesions of oral mucosa |
| Oral submucosal fibrosis |
| Irritative hyperplasia of oral mucosa |
| Unspecified lesions of oral mucosa |
| Other lesions of oral mucosa |
| Glossitis |
| Geographic tongue |
| Median rhomboid glossitis |
| Hypertrophy of tongue papillae |
| Atrophy of tongue papillae |
| Plicated tongue |
| Glossodynia |
| Other diseases of the tongue |
| Disease of tongue, unspecified |
| Unspecified anomaly of jaw size |
| Maxillary hyperplasia |
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| M26.02 | Maxillary hypoplasia |
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| M26.03 | Mandibular hyperplasia |
| M26.04 | Mandibular hypoplasia |
| M26.05 | Macrogenia |
| M26.06 | Microgenia |
| M26.07 | Excessive tuberosity of jaw |
| M26.09 | Other specified anomalies of jaw size |
| M26.10 | Unspecified anomaly of relationship of jaw-cranial base relationship |
| M26.11 | Maxillary asymmetry |
| M26.12 | Other jaw asymmetry |
| M26.19 | Other specified anomalies of jaw-cranial base relationship |
| M26.20 | Unspecified anomaly of dental arch relationship |
| M26.211 | Malocclusion, Angle's class I |
| M26.212 | Malocclusion, Angle's class II |
| M26.213 | Malocclusion, Angle's class III |
| M26.219 | Malocclusion, Angle's class, unspecified |
| M26.220 | Open anterior occlusal relationship |
| M26.221 | Open posterior occlusal relationship |
| M26.23 | Excessive horizontal overlap |
| M26.24 | Reverse articulation |
| M26.25 | Anomalies of interarch distance |
| M26.29 | Other anomalies of dental arch relationship |
| M26.30 | Unspecified anomaly of tooth position of fully erupted tooth or teeth |
| M26.31 | Crowding of fully erupted teeth |
| M26.32 | Excessive spacing of fully erupted teeth |
| M26.33 | Horizontal displacement of fully erupted tooth or teeth |
| M26.34 | Vertical displacement of fully erupted tooth or teeth |
| M26.35 | Rotation of fully erupted tooth or teeth |
| M26.36 | Insufficient interocclusal distance of fully erupted teeth (ridge) |
| M26.37 | Excessive interocclusal distance of fully erupted teeth |
| M26.39 | Other anomalies of tooth position of fully erupted tooth or teeth |
| M26.4 | Malocclusion, unspecified |
| M26.50 | Dentofacial functional abnormalities, unspecified |
| M26.51 | Abnormal jaw closure |



| M26.52 | Limited mandibular range of motion |
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| M26.53 | Deviation in opening and closing of the mandible |
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| M26.54 | Insufficient anterior guidance |
| M26.55 | Centric occlusion maximum intercuspation discrepancy |
| M26.56 | Non-working side interference |
| M26.57 | Lack of posterior occlusal support |
| M26.59 | Other dentofacial functional abnormalities |
| M26.60 | Temporomandibular joint disorder, unspecified |
| M26.601 | Right temporomandibular joint disorder, unspecified |
| M26.602 | Left temporomandibular joint disorder, unspecified |
| M26.603 | Bilateral temporomandibular joint disorder, unspecified |
| M26.609 | Unspecified temporomandibular joint disorder, unspecified side |
| M26.61 | Adhesions and ankylosis of temporomandibular joint |
| M26.611 | Adhesions and ankylosis of right temporomandibular joint |
| M26.612 | Adhesions and ankylosis of left temporomandibular joint |
| M26.613 | Adhesions and ankylosis of bilateral temporomandibular joint |
| M26.619 | Adhesions and ankylosis of temporomandibular joint, unspecified side |
| M26.62 | Arthralgia of temporomandibular joint |
| M26.621 | Arthralgia of right temporomandibular joint |
| M26.622 | Arthralgia of left temporomandibular joint |
| M26.623 | Arthralgia of bilateral temporomandibular joint |
| M26.629 | Arthralgia of temporomandibular joint, unspecified side |
| M26.63 | Articular disc disorder of temporomandibular joint |
| M26.631 | Articular disc disorder of right temporomandibular joint |
| M26.632 | Articular disc disorder of left temporomandibular joint |
| M26.633 | Articular disc disorder of bilateral temporomandibular joint |
| M26.639 | Articular disc disorder of temporomandibular joint, unspecified side |
| M26.641 | Arthritis of right temporomandibular joint |
| M26.642 | Arthritis of left temporomandibular joint |
| M26.643 | Arthritis of bilateral temporomandibular joint |
| M26.649 | Arthritis of unspecified temporomandibular joint |
| M26.651 | Arthropathy of right temporomandibular joint |
| M26.652 | Arthropathy of left temporomandibular joint |
| M26.653 | Arthropathy of bilateral temporomandibular joint |



| M26.659 | Arthropathy of unspecified temporomandibular joint |
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| M26.69 | Other specified disorders of temporomandibular joint |
| M26.70 | Unspecified alveolar anomaly |
| M26.71 | Alveolar maxillary hyperplasia |
| M26.72 | Alveolar mandibular hyperplasia |
| M26.73 | Alveolar maxillary hypoplasia |
| M26.74 | Alveolar mandibular hypoplasia |
| M26.79 | Other specified alveolar anomalies |
| M26.81 | Anterior soft tissue impingement |
| M26.82 | Posterior soft tissue impingement |
| M26.89 | Other dentofacial anomalies |
| M26.9 | Dentofacial anomaly, unspecified |
| M27.0 | Developmental disorders of jaws |
| M27.1 | Giant cell granuloma, central |
| M27.2 | Inflammatory conditions of jaw |
| M27.3 | Alveolitis of jaws |
| M27.40 | Unspecified cyst of jaw |
| M27.49 | Other cysts of jaws |
| M27.51 | Perforation of root canal space due to endodontic treatment |
| M27.52 | Endodontic overfill |
| M27.53 | Endodontic underfill |
| M27.59 | Other periradicular pathology associated with previous endodontic treatment |
| M27.61 | Osseointegration failure of dental implant |
| M27.62 | Post-osseointegration biological failure of dental implant |
| M27.63 | Post-osseointegration mechanical failure of dental implant |
| M27.69 | Other endosseous dental implant failure |
| M27.8 | Other specified diseases of jaws |
| M27.9 | Disease of the jaws, unspecified |
| M35.0C | Sjogren syndrome with dental involvement |
| M79.11 | Myalgia of mastication muscle |
| R68.2 | Dry mouth, unspecified |
| R68.84 | Jaw pain |
| Z01.20 | Encounter for dental examination and cleaning without abnormal findings |
| Z01.21 | Encounter for dental examination and cleaning with abnormal findings |

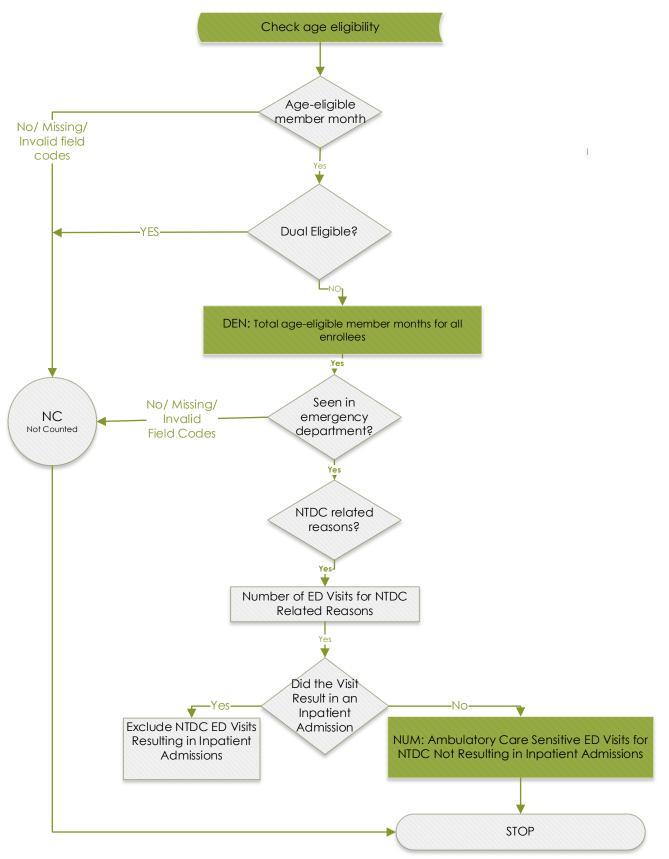


| Z46.3 | Encounter for fitting and adjustment of dental prosthetic device |
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| Z46.4 | Encounter for fitting and adjustment of orthodontic device |

Table 2. Additional First-Listed ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes to Identify Ambulatory Care Sensitive Non-Traumatic Dental Condition Visits when Paired with an Additional Listed Diagnosis Code from the Ambulatory Care Sensitive Non-Traumatic Dental Condition ICD-10-CM Codes in Table 1

| ICD-10-CM Code | Description of ICD-10-CM Code |
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| L03.211 | Cellulitis of face |
| L03.212 | Acute lymphangitis of face |
| L03.213 | Periorbital cellulitis |
| L03.221 | Cellulitis of neck |
| L03.222 | Acute lymphangitis of neck |
| R22.0 | Localized swelling, mass and lump, head |
| R22.1 | Localized swelling, mass and lump, neck |







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