

Dental Treatment in Oncology Patients

What do the Medical Insurance Funds (Kupot Cholim) cover?

Medical Insurance Law

- Treatment to be provided in clinics of the Kupah or in clinics included in 'scheme'.
- Otherwise special permission must be attained BEFORE treatment.
- Kupah has the right to request an examination by one of its doctors to certify treatment.
- Disputes will be settled by dentist from Ministry of Health.

Medical Insurance Law

General Oncology Patients

- 1. Before chemo/radiotherapy
 - Underwrite 50% of the cost of conservative and prosthetic dentistry.
 - “Cost” is based on the price list of dental services provided by the insurer.

Medical Insurance Law

General Oncology Patients

- 2. After chemo/radiotherapy.
 - Underwrite 100% of cost of conservative and prosthetic dentistry.
 - Time frame of 24 months from completion of chemo/radiotherapy. Other than patients described in 3 or 5 (H&N surg/radiotherapy).

Medical Insurance Law

- 3. After chemo/radiotherapy for H&N
 - Underwrite 100% of cost of supportive, conservative and prosthetic dentistry.
 - *Artificial saliva, scaling, fluoridation*
 - Time frame of 60 months from completion of radiotherapy.

Medical Insurance Law

- 4. Before surgical treatment of H&N cancer
 - Underwrite 100% of cost of conservative and prosthetic dentistry.

Medical Insurance Law

- 5. After surgical treatment of H&N cancer
 - Underwrite 100% of cost of conservative and prosthetic dentistry.
 - In this particular instance prosthetics was defined as including implants, cast partial dentures and permanent crowns and bridges.
 - Time frame..... Unlimited!

Medical Insurance Law

- 6. Radiotherapy in childhood
 - Conservative and prosthetic dentistry.
 - *Patient received radiotherapy to H&N for malignancy prior to or during development of permanent dentition.*
 - *Due to radiotherapy development of 1ry and permanent dentition was irreversibly delayed.*
 - *Patient is <30 yrs old.*

Medical Insurance Law Principles

- Conservative treatment includes:
 - Appointments/Sessions to
 - *Assess treatment needs (exam, radiographs; includes panoramic)*
 - *Eradicate foci of infection*
 - *Stop and prevent bleeding*
 - *Treat ulceration (antiseptic MWs)*
 - *Treat pain*
 - *Caries treatment and prevention (F- MWs)*
 - *Initial preparation (Scaling & OHI) to remove plaque and calculus*

Medical Insurance Law

Definitions

- Conservative treatment includes
 - Exam, radiographs
 - Restorations:
 - Root canal therapy
 - Extractions
 - Scaling and Root planing
 - OHI, CHX & F- MWs
- Does NOT include
 - Perio Surgery
 - Prosthetic preparation

Medical Insurance Law Definitions

- Prosthetic treatment includes
 - Immediate post and cores
 - Full and partial dentures
 - Temporary acrylic crowns
 - Temporary acrylic bridges IF teeth were extracted AND permanent prosthetic rehab is planned
- Does NOT include
 - Permanent crowns and bridges
 - *Other than in group 5.*