



Suggested Fee Guide for Dental Hygienists

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USER GUIDE FOR DENTAL HYGIENISTS

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The purpose of this Fee Guide is to provide guidance to dental hygienists in Ontario in setting the fees that they charge for their professional services. It is a guide only; adherence to the guide is not obligatory. Each dental hygienist will set his or her fees to reflect practice realities and local circumstances and requirements. Dental hygienists must follow their code of ethics and standards of practice when determining the value of a dental hygiene service.

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In this fee guide:

'+ lab'

- means that an additional laboratory expense may be assessed with the procedure code
- the code for laboratory expense is 00991

'+ exp'

- means that additional expenses such as courier costs may be assessed with the procedure code
- the code for an additional expense is 00992

| Code / Service | | ODHA 2012 suggested fee |
|--------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| 00100 | Examination/Assessment - new client | |
| Primary | 00111 | \$32.61 |
| Mixed | 00112 | \$48.91 |
| Permanent | 00113 | \$81.52 |
| Edentulous | 00114 | \$32.61 |
| Periodontal | 00115 | \$48.91 |
| 00120 | Examination/Assessment - previous client | |
| Routine recall | 00121 | \$23.78 |
| Specific | 00122 | \$23.78 to \$53.51 |
| Emergency | 00123 | \$23.78 to \$53.51 |
| Periodontal, limited | 00124 | \$23.78 to \$53.51 |
| 00130 | First dental hygiene visit/orientation | |
| | 00131 | \$15.29 |
| 00200 | Radiographs | |
| 00210 | Intraoral bitewing | |
| 1 film | 00211 | \$16.30 |
| 2 films | 00212 | \$18.85 |
| 3 films | 00213 | \$21.40 |
| 4 films | 00214 | \$23.95 |
| 5 films | 00215 | \$26.49 |
| 6 films | 00216 | \$29.04 |
| 00220 | Intraoral periapical | |
| 1 film | 00221 | \$16.30 |
| 2 films | 00222 | \$18.85 |
| 3 films | 00223 | \$21.40 |
| 4 films | 00224 | \$23.95 |
| 5 films | 00225 | \$26.49 |
| 6 films | 00226 | \$29.04 |
| 7 films | 00227 | \$31.59 |
| 8 films | 00228 | \$34.14 |
| each additional film >8 | 00229 | \$2.55 |
| 00230 | Intraoral, full mouth series | |
| minimum 14 films | 00231 | \$67.56 |
| 00240 | Panoramic | |
| 1 film | 00241 | \$48.40 |
| 00250 | Cephalometric | |
| 1 film | 00251 | \$44.89 |
| each additional film > 1 | 00259 | \$15.29 |

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| | 00260 | Duplication of radiographs | |
| 1 film | | | 00261 \$10.19 |
| 2 films | | | 00262 \$11.01 |
| 3 films | | | 00263 \$11.82 |
| 4 films | | | 00264 \$12.64 |
| 5 films | | | 00265 \$13.45 |
| 6 films | | | 00266 \$14.27 |
| 7 films | | | 00267 \$15.08 |
| 8 films | | | 00268 \$15.90 |
| each additional film > 8 | | | 00269 \$0.82 |
| | 00270 | Photographs | |
| 1 photo | | | 00271 \$15.29 |
| 2 photos | | | 00272 \$18.34 |
| 3 photos | | | 00273 \$21.40 |
| each additional photograph >3 | | | 00279 \$3.06 |
| | 00300 | Microbiological and histological tests | |
| | 00310 | Caries susceptibility | |
| bacteriological test | | | 00311 \$16.21 to \$27.02 + lab |
| | 00320 | Periodontal disease activity | |
| microbiological test | | | 00321 \$16.21 to \$27.02 + lab |
| | 00330 | Cancer testing | |
| cancer testing | | | 00331 \$32.42 + lab + exp |
| | 00400 | Study models | |
| taking impressions | | | 00401 \$29.04 |
| fabrication/pouring/preparing casts | | | 00402 \$14.52 + lab |
| | 00500 | Periodontal treatment (each unit of time is 15 minutes) | |
| | 00510 | Debridement | |
| 1 unit of time | | | 00511 \$47.56 |
| 2 units of time | | | 00512 \$95.12 |
| 3 units of time | | | 00513 \$142.69 |
| 4 units of time | | | 00514 \$190.25 |
| 5 units of time | | | 00515 \$237.81 |
| 6 units of time | | | 00516 \$285.37 |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00517 \$23.78 |
| each additional unit of time >6 | | | 00519 \$47.56 |
| | 00520 | Root planing | |
| 1 unit of time | | | 00521 \$47.56 |
| 2 units of time | | | 00522 \$95.12 |
| 3 units of time | | | 00523 \$142.69 |
| 4 units of time | | | 00524 \$190.25 |
| 5 units of time | | | 00525 \$237.81 |
| 6 units of time | | | 00526 \$285.37 |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00527 \$23.78 |
| each additional unit of time >6 | | | 00529 \$47.56 |
| | 00530 | Stain removal | |
| 1 unit of time | | | 00531 \$27.51 |
| 2 units of time | | | 00532 \$55.03 |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00537 \$13.76 |
| each additional unit of time >2 | | | 00539 \$27.51 |

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| | 00540 | Subgingival periodontal irrigation | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00541 | \$40.11 |
| ½ unit of time | | 00547 | \$20.05 |
| each additional unit of time | | 00549 | \$40.11 |
| | 00550 | Management of oral disease | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00551 | \$32.42 |
| 2 units of time | | 00552 | \$64.86 |
| 3 units of time | | 00553 | \$97.28 |
| 4 units of time | | 00554 | \$129.72 |
| ½ unit of time | | 00557 | \$16.21 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | 00559 | \$32.42 |
| | 00600 | Other oral services (each unit of time is 15 minutes) | |
| | 00601 | Sealants | |
| 1st tooth in quadrant | | 00602 | \$19.02 |
| each additional tooth in quadrant | | 00603 | \$10.81 |
| | 00605 | Application of anticariogenics/antimicrobials | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00606 | \$35.67 + exp |
| ½ unit of time | | 00607 | \$17.83 + exp |
| each additional unit of time | | 00609 | \$35.67 + exp |
| | 00610 | Fluoride applications | |
| Topical in office | | 00611 | \$18.34 |
| Supervised, self-administered office | | 00612 | \$13.75 |
| Home - custom maxillary arch | | 00613 | \$40.11 + lab |
| Home - custom mandibular arch | | 00614 | \$40.11 + lab |
| Home - custom combined | | 00615 | \$57.29 + lab |
| | 00620 | Finishing restoration | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00621 | \$27.51 |
| 2 units of time | | 00622 | \$55.03 |
| 3 units of time | | 00623 | \$82.54 |
| 4 units of time | | 00624 | \$110.05 |
| ½ unit of time | | 00627 | \$13.76 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | 00629 | \$27.51 |
| | 00630 | Mouth protectors | |
| preformed – maxillary arch | | 00631 | \$20.38 + exp |
| preformed – mandibular arch | | 00632 | \$20.38 + exp |
| preformed – maxillary & mandibular arches | | 00633 | \$30.57 + exp |
| processed – maxillary arch | | 00634 | \$76.43 + lab |
| processed – mandibular arch | | 00635 | \$76.43 + lab |
| processed – maxillary & mandibular arches | | 00636 | \$91.71 + lab |
| | 00638 | Labeling removable prosthesis | |
| labeling removable prosthesis | | 00638 | \$35.67 + exp |
| | 00640 | Desensitization | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00641 | \$35.67 |
| 2 units of time | | 00642 | \$71.33 |
| ½ unit of time | | 00647 | \$17.83 |
| each additional unit of time >2 | | 00649 | \$35.67 |
| | 00650 | Bleaching vital teeth in office | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00651 | \$40.86 + exp |
| 2 units of time | | 00652 | \$81.72 + exp |
| 3 units of time | | 00653 | \$122.58 + exp |
| ½ unit of time | | 00657 | \$20.44 + exp |
| each additional unit of time >3 | | 00659 | \$40.86 + exp |

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| | 00660 | Bleaching vital teeth at home | |
| maxillary arch | | 00661 | \$122.28 + lab + exp |
| mandibular arch | | 00662 | \$122.28 + lab + exp |
| maxillary and mandibular arch | | 00663 | \$178.33 + lab + exp |
| | 00665 | Placement temporary restorations | |
| 1st tooth in quadrant | | 00666 | \$51.56 |
| each added tooth same quadrant | | 00667 | \$26.35 |
| | 00670 | Recementation | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00671 | \$51.56 |
| 2 units of time | | 00672 | \$103.12 |
| 3 units of time | | 00673 | \$154.68 |
| ½ unit of time | | 00677 | \$25.78 |
| each additional unit of time >3 | | 00679 | \$51.56 |
| | 00680 | Pulp vitality testing | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00681 | \$33.63 |
| ½ unit of time | | 00687 | \$16.81 |
| each additional unit of time | | 00689 | \$33.63 |
| | 00690 | Denture/removable prosthesis prophylaxis and polishing | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00691 | \$40.76 + lab |
| ½ unit of time | | 00697 | \$20.38 + lab |
| each additional unit of time | | 00699 | \$40.76 + lab |
| | 00700 | <i>Pain management (each unit of time is 15 minutes)</i> | |
| | 00710 | Electronic dental anaesthesia | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00711 | \$33.63 |
| 2 units of time | | 00712 | \$36.99 |
| 3 units of time | | 00713 | \$40.35 |
| 4 units of time | | 00714 | \$43.72 |
| ½ unit of time | | 00717 | \$28.20 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | 00719 | \$3.36 |
| | 00720 | Local anaesthesia | |
| regional block | | 00721 | \$12.23 |
| trigeminal division block | | 00722 | \$12.23 |
| supraperiosteal infiltration | | 00723 | \$12.23 |
| | 00730 | Acupuncture | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00731 | \$33.63 |
| 2 units of time | | 00732 | \$36.99 |
| 3 units of time | | 00733 | \$40.35 |
| 4 units of time | | 00734 | \$43.72 |
| ½ unit of time | | 00737 | \$28.20 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | 00739 | \$3.36 |
| | 00740 | Nitrous oxide, conscious sedation | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00741 | \$50.95 |
| 2 units of time | | 00742 | \$101.90 |
| 3 units of time | | 00743 | \$152.85 |
| 4 units of time | | 00744 | \$203.80 |
| ½ unit of time | | 00747 | \$25.48 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | 00749 | \$50.95 |
| | 00800 | <i>Education (each unit of time is 15 minutes)</i> | |
| | 00810 | Counseling for diet | |
| 1 unit of time | | 00811 | \$35.67 |
| 2 units of time | | 00812 | \$71.33 |
| 3 units of time | | 00813 | \$107.00 |
| 4 units of time | | 00814 | \$142.66 |

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| | 00810 | Counseling for diet (<i>continued</i>) | |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00817 \$17.83 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | | 00819 \$35.67 |
| | 00820 | Counseling for tobacco use cessation | |
| 1 unit of time | | | 00821 \$35.67 |
| 2 units of time | | | 00822 \$71.33 |
| 3 units of time | | | 00823 \$107.00 |
| 4 units of time | | | 00824 \$142.66 |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00827 \$17.83 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | | 00829 \$35.67 |
| | 00830 | Counseling for oral self-exam | |
| 1 unit of time | | | 00831 \$35.67 |
| 2 units of time | | | 00832 \$71.33 |
| 3 units of time | | | 00833 \$107.00 |
| 4 units of time | | | 00834 \$142.66 |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00837 \$17.83 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | | 00839 \$35.67 |
| | 00840 | Instruction in oral self care | |
| 1 unit of time | | | 00841 \$35.67 |
| 2 units of time | | | 00842 \$71.33 |
| 3 units of time | | | 00843 \$107.00 |
| 4 units of time | | | 00844 \$142.66 |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00847 \$17.83 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | | 00849 \$35.67 |
| | 00850 | Group presentations (including preparation) | |
| 1 unit of time | | | 00851 \$35.67 |
| 2 units of time | | | 00852 \$71.33 |
| 3 units of time | | | 00853 \$107.00 |
| 4 units of time | | | 00854 \$142.66 |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00857 \$17.83 |
| each additional unit of time >4 | | | 00859 \$35.67 |
| | 00900 | <i>Outcome evaluation (each unit of time is 15 minutes)</i> | |
| | 00910 | Evaluation of dental hygiene care | |
| 1 unit of time | | | 00911 \$35.67 |
| 2 units of time | | | 00912 \$71.33 |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00917 \$17.83 |
| each additional unit of time >2 | | | 00919 \$35.67 |
| | 00920 | Professional communications / case presentations | |
| 1 unit of time | | | 00921 \$35.67 |
| 2 units of time | | | 00922 \$71.33 |
| ½ unit of time | | | 00927 \$17.83 |
| each additional unit of time >2 | | | 00929 \$35.67 |
| | 00950 | Mobile services | |
| Home visit | | | 00951 \$29.72 to \$59.45 |
| Institutional visit | | | 00952 \$29.72 to \$59.45 |
| Emergency home visit | | | 00953 \$44.84 to \$84.07 |
| Emergency institutional visit | | | 00954 \$44.84 to \$84.07 |
| | 00990 | Laboratory and expenses services | |
| + lab | | | 00991 |
| + exp | | | 00992 |

