	North Dakota Medicaid	Sanford Health Plan	Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota
CPT code: 99188	Application of topical fluoride varnish by a physician or other qualified health care professional when performed in a non-dental clinic or facility setting	99188-application of topical fluoride varnish by a physician or other qualified health care professional	99188-application of topical fluoride varnish by a physician or other qualified health care professional
Criteria for reimbursement	 Fluoride varnish is covered for members aged 6 months through 20 years old. A maximum of three applications per year, per member is covered. Recommend the fluoride varnish be applied at the time of well child visit/ Health Tracks Screening The following practioners may bill ND Medicaid for the application of fluoride varnish after receiving training which has been approved by the North Dakota Board of Dental Examiners: Nurse Practioners Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical Nurses under the supervision* of a physician, family nurse practioners, or physician assistant Must be a participating provider 	USPSTF Rating (May 2014): B- Children from birth through age 6 years. The USPSTF recommends that primary care clinicians apply fluoride varnish to the primary teeth of all infants and children starting at the age of primary tooth eruption. The USPSTF recommends that primary care clinicians prescribe oral fluoride supplementation starting at age 6 months for children whose water supply is deficient in fluoride. • Must be a participating provider	USPSTF Rating (May 2014): B- Children from birth through age 6 years. The USPSTF recommends that primary care clinicians apply fluoride varnish to the primary teeth of all infants and children starting at the age of primary tooth eruption. The USPSTF recommends that primary care clinicians prescribe oral fluoride supplementation starting at age 6 months for children whose water supply is deficient in fluoride. • Must be a participating provider
ICD-10-CM Covered Diagnosis	 Z00.121-Encounter for routine child health examination with abnormal findings Z00.129-Encounter for routine child health examination without abnormal findings Z29.3- Encounter for prophylactic fluoride administration Z41.8- Encounter for other procedures for purposes other than remedying health state 	Does not have diagnosis code requirements for preventative benefit to apply. • Ages 0-5 years (ends on 6 th birthday) • Limited to two per year. Up to two additional (total of four) per year allowed if at high risk for cavities (medical necessity must be established). Does not have diagnosis code requirements for preventative benefit to apply.	Does not have diagnosis code requirements for preventative benefit to apply. • Ages 0-6 years (ends on 6 th birthday) • Limited to two per calendar year. Up to two additional (total of four) per year allowed if at high risk for cavities (medical necessity must be established). Does not have diagnosis code requirements for preventative benefit to apply.

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