

JUVENILE COURT HEALTH SERVICES DENTAL PROCEDURES

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PURPOSE

To develop and establish a coherent and uniform dental charting system.

PROCEDURE:

The charting symbols are used by the dental staff during dental examinations, when the dentist calls out the existing condition for the dental assistant to record in the "Treatment Authorization and Dental Record". The information will later transfer and document into PEMRS PowerChart, under SOAP Note-Dental by the Dental staff (dentist or dental assistant). These codes/symbols will enable us to have a standard and uniform system for the Dental Clinic.

The existing charting symbols are as follow:

- Blue=existing condition
- Red=needed / recommended work, or watch
- Blue on tooth surfaces=amalgam
- C=composite
- S=sealant
- SSC=stainless steel crown
- Fx=fractured
- RCT=root canal treatment
- PE=partially erupted
- U=un-erupted
- A blue X through the tooth =missing tooth
- A= red X through the tooth =to be extracted
- Defected dental works circle the tooth with red
- FMC= full metal crown
- FGC=full gold crown
- PFM=porcelain fused to metal
- G onlay / inlay=gold onlay, G inlay, M onlay, M inlay, P onlay, P inlay, C onlay, C inlay.
- TF=temporary filling
- IRM=IRM filling

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Recal=recalcification

FxCr=fractured crown

Fist=fistula

Sw=swelling

Disc=discolored

A red "Deep" on the surface of tooth =deep caries

PP=percussion pain +, ++, +++, +++++

Mb I, II, III=mobility I, II, III.

W=watch

"?" on any tooth that is questionable

U/&L ortho Tx= upper/& lower orthodontic treatment.

W/ wire=with arch wire W/O wire=without arch wire

Missing brackets or bands are recorded as partial brackets and bands W/ or W/O arch wire.

When the dentist observes any unusual condition please describe with words in the "comment" section. For example: underfilled or overfilled RCT, open apex, Fx root, geographic tongue, neoplasm, leukoplakia, Tetracycline stain, abscess, crowding, etc. Also record them in the progress note.

REFERENCE

JCHS Policy # E-103", "Health/Medical: Use of Abbreviations, Acronyms, and Symbols"