Summary of changes to the Child Dental Benefits Schedule

Effective 1 January 2018

New items

Item	Item descriptor	Benefit	Reason for change
88586	Crown - metallic - with tooth preparation – preformed Placing a preformed metallic crown as a coronal restoration for a tooth. Applicable restrictions Limit of one (1) metallic crown service (88586 or 88587) per tooth per day	\$257.05	New item to align with the 12 th Edition of the <i>Australian Schedule of Dental Services and Glossary</i> , and will replace current CDBS item 88576. The benefit for this item is the same as for current CDBS item 88576.
88587	Crown - metallic - minimal tooth preparation – preformed Placing a preformed metallic crown as a coronal restoration for a tooth and where minimal or no restoration of the tooth is required. Commonly referred to as a 'Hall' crown. Applicable restrictions Limit of one (1) metallic crown service (88586 or 88587) per tooth per day	\$152.50	New item to align with the 12 th Edition of the <i>Australian Schedule of Dental Services and Glossary</i> , and will replace current CDBS item 88576. The lower benefit for this item compared to item 88586 is reflective of reduced preparatory work for this item.
88723	Provisional partial maxillary denture Provision of a patient removable partial dental prosthesis replacing the natural teeth and adjacent tissues in the maxilla which is designed to last until the definitive prosthesis can be constructed. This item should only be used where a provisional denture is not an intrinsic part of item 88721. Applicable restrictions Limit of one (1) per patient	\$327.45	New item to align with the 12 th Edition of the Australian Schedule of Dental Services and Glossary.

Item	Item descriptor	Benefit	Reason for change
88724	Provisional partial mandibular denture	\$327.45	New item to align with the 12 th Edition of the
	Provision of a patient removable partial dental prosthesis replacing the		Australian Schedule of Dental Services and
	natural teeth and adjacent tissues in the mandible which is designed to last		Glossary.
	until the definitive prosthesis can be constructed. This item should only		
	be used where a provisional denture is not an intrinsic part of item 88722.		
	Applicable restrictions		
	Limit of one (1) per patient		

Deleted items

Item	Item descriptor	Benefit	Reason for change
88576	Metallic crown – preformed	\$257.05	Item has been removed from the Australian
	Placing a preformed metallic crown as a coronal restoration for a tooth.		Schedule of Dental Services and Glossary. Item to
			be replaced with new items 88586 and 88587.

Amended items

Changes marked in red and italics

Item	Item descriptor	Benefit	Reason for change
88012	Periodic oral examination	\$43.75	Restriction has been reduced from once per six
	An evaluation performed on a patient of record to determine any changes		months to once per five months (but no more than
	in the patient's dental and medical health status since a previous		two per calendar year) to more easily enable
	comprehensive or periodic examination.		families to seek twice yearly preventive dental
	Applicable restrictions		checks during school holidays.
	Limit of one (1) examination service (88011, 88012 or 88013) per day.		
	Limit of one (1) per provider every <i>five</i> months.		
	Limit of two (2) per provider per calendar year.		
	A benefit does not apply if the service is provided within <i>five</i> months of a		
	service under item 88011 by the same provider.		

Item	Item descriptor	Benefit	Reason for change
88111	Removal of plaque and/or stain Removal of dental plaque and/or stain from the surfaces of all teeth and/or implants.	\$53.80	Descriptor has been updated to reflect the 12 th Edition of the Australian Dental Association's Australian Schedule of Dental Services and Glossary.
	Applicable restrictions Limit of one (1) per <i>five</i> month period. Limit of two (2) per calendar year. Limit of one (1) dental prophylaxis service (88111, 88114 or 88115) per day.		Restriction has been reduced from once per six months to once per five months (but no more than two per calendar year) to more easily enable families to seek twice yearly preventive dental checks during school holidays.
88114	Removal of calculus – first visit Removal of calculus from the surfaces of teeth. Applicable restrictions Limit of one (1) per <i>five</i> month period. Limit of two (2) per calendar year. Limit of one (1) dental prophylaxis service (88111, 88114 or 88115) per day.	\$89.70	Restriction has been reduced from once per six months to once per five months (but no more than two per calendar year) to more easily enable families to seek twice yearly preventive dental checks during school holidays.
88121	Topical application of remineralisation and/or cariostatic agents, one treatment Application of remineralisation and/or cariostatic agents to the surfaces of the teeth. This may include activation of the agent. Not to be used as an intrinsic part of the restoration.	\$34.55	Restriction has been reduced from once per six months to once per five months (but no more than two per calendar year) to more easily enable families to seek twice yearly preventive dental checks during school holidays.
	Applicable restrictions Limit of one (1) per <i>five</i> month period. Limit of two (2) per calendar year.		
88721	Partial maxillary denture – resin, base only Provision of a resin base for a removable dental prosthesis for the maxilla where some natural teeth remain.	\$436.60	The benefit has been increased to better reflect clinical and laboratory costs for preparing denture bases.
	Applicable restrictions Limit of one (1) per 24 month period. A benefit does not apply if the service is provided within 6 months of a service under item 88723.		The restriction has been amended to recognise the inclusion of new provisional denture base item 88723.

Item	Item descriptor	Benefit	Reason for change
88722	Partial mandibular denture – resin, base only Provision of a resin base for a removable dental prosthesis for the mandible where some natural teeth remain.	\$436.60	The benefit has been increased to better reflect clinical and laboratory costs for preparing denture bases.
	Applicable restrictions Limit of one (1) per 24 month period. A benefit does not apply if the service is provided within 6 months of a service under item 88724.		The restriction has been amended to recognise the inclusion of new provisional denture base item 88724.
88731	Retainer – per tooth A retainer or attachment fitted to a tooth to aid retention of a partial denture. The number of retainers should be indicated.	\$44.05	The restriction has been amended to recognise the inclusion of new provisional denture base items (88723 and 88724).
	Applicable restrictions Limit of four (4) per denture base (88721-88724).		
88733	Tooth/teeth (partial denture) An item to describe each tooth added to the base of a new partial denture. The number of teeth should be indicated.	\$36.15	The restriction has been amended to recognise the inclusion of new provisional denture base items (88723 and 88724).
	Applicable restrictions Limited to anterior teeth. Limit of four (4) per denture base (88721-88724).		The benefit has been reduced to reflect the increased benefit for denture bases.
88736	Immediate tooth replacement – per tooth Provision within a denture to allow immediate replacement of an extracted tooth. The number of teeth so replaced should be indicated.	\$9.10	The restriction has been amended to recognise the inclusion of new provisional denture base items (88723 and 88724).
	Applicable restrictions Limit of four (4) per denture base (88721-88724).		
88741	Adjustment of a denture Adjustment of a denture to improve comfort, function or aesthetics. This item does not apply to routine adjustments following the insertion of a new denture or the maintenance or repair of an existing denture.	\$52.50	The restriction has been amended to recognise the inclusion of new provisional denture base items (88723 and 88724).
	Applicable restrictions A benefit does not apply if the service is provided within 12 months of a service under items 88721-88724 by the same provider.		