



Irish Life
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Periodontal/ Oral / Dental Surgery Ground Rules

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1. GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONER

- > Benefit is payable to general dental practitioners, only at the standard rate.
- > The range of procedures to be covered as per the attached schedule.
- > For dental surgeons to be registered with Irish Life Health:
 - i. They must be on the Irish Dental Council register
 - ii. The performance of a procedure by a dental surgeon under general anaesthesia or sedation will not be covered by Irish Life Health
 - iii. Where local anaesthetic is performed it will only be eligible for cover where it is performed in a listed Irish Life Health fully participating hospital, and the relevant listed Irish Life Health professional fee only at the standard rate will be paid (list below)

2. ORAL SURGEONS

- > Have the option of participating with Irish Life Health for treatment of our members on either fully participating or part participating basis.
- > The range of procedures to be covered as per the attached schedule.
- > For oral surgeons to be registered with Irish Life Health:
 - i. They must be on the Irish Dental Council specialist register of oral surgeons
 - ii. Must indicate for the entire year if they are fully or part participating
 - iii. Must supply a copy of the above registration annually to Irish Life Health
- > Where a general anaesthetic is required it will be liable for cover when performed in a listed Irish Life Health fully participating hospital, under the supervision of a consultant anaesthetist who is fully participating with Irish Life Health and on the specialist register of the Irish Medical Council. These procedures will be graded as and payable as day cases and are listed below.
- > Where sedation is given to an Irish Life Health member, this may only be administered in an Irish Life Health participating hospital, or in the private practice of an oral surgeon on the Register of Oral Surgeons as maintained by the Dental Council.
- > Where local anaesthetic is performed it will only be eligible for cover where administered in an Irish Life Health participating hospital or in the private practice of an oral surgeon on the Register of Oral Surgeons as maintained by the Dental Council and the relevant listed Irish Life Health professional fee only will be paid.
- > Where an oral surgeon elects to be registered with Irish Life Health as fully participating, then such fee payable at the fully participating rate for the performance of the procedure(s) covered by this Schedule of Benefits for Professional Fees, will be regarded as the total fee payable to the oral surgeon for the performance (both professional fee and any technical or facility fee) for the procedure(s). Where such a procedure is performed in an Irish Life Health approved hospital, and then the agreed hospital fee shall also be paid to the hospital concerned.

3. PERIODONTAL SURGEONS

- > Have the option of participating with Irish Life Health for treatment of our members on either fully participating or part participating basis.
- > The range of procedures to be covered as per the attached schedule.
- > For periodontists to be registered with Irish Life Health:
 - i. They must be on a list of periodontists (pending a legislative framework) as maintained by Irish Life Health
 - ii. To be eligible to be on the Irish Life Health list above, the periodontist must have completed a 3 year post graduate training course in a recognised training facility such that the qualification is recognised or at least equivalent to training course accredited by the European Federation of Periodontists
 - iii. They must indicate for the entire year if they are fully or part participating
 - iv. They must supply a copy of the above registration annually to Irish Life Health
- > Where a general anaesthetic is required it will be liable for cover when performed in a listed Irish Life Health fully participating hospital, under the supervision of a consultant anaesthetist who is fully participating with Irish Life Health and on the Specialist Register of the Irish Medical Council. These procedures will be graded as and payable as day cases and are listed below.
- > Where sedation is given to an Irish Life Health member, this may only be administered in an Irish Life Health participating hospital, or in the private practice of an periodontist as registered above.
- > Where local anaesthetic is performed it will only be eligible for cover where administered in an Irish Life Health participating hospital or in the private practice of the periodontist as registered above and the relevant listed Irish Life Health professional fee only will be paid.
- > Where the periodontist elects to be registered with Irish Life Health as fully participating, then such fee payable at the fully participating rate for the performance of the procedure(s) covered by this Schedule of Benefits for Professional Fees, will be regarded as the total fee payable to the periodontists for the performance (both professional fee and any technical or facility fee) for the procedure(s). Where such a procedure is performed in an Irish Life Health approved hospital, the agreed hospital fee shall also be paid to the hospital concerned.