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Function	AL	AK	AZ	AR	CA	CO	CT	DE	DC	FL	GA	HI	ID	IL	IN	IA	KS
Oral Prophylaxis	D	G/A/ CP	G	ID	G/A	A	G	G	G	G/A	D	D/G	G	G	D/C P	G	G/A
X-Rays	D	G/A/ CP	G	ID	G/A	A	G	G	G	G	D	D/G	G	G	D/C P	G	G
Local Anesthesia	-	G/A/ CP	G	D	D	G	ID	D	D	D	D	D	-	D	D	D	D
Topical Anesthesia	D	G/A/ CP	G/A	CP	G/A	A	G/A	G	G	G	D	D/G	G	G	D/C P	G	G/A
Fluoride	D	G/A/ CP	G/A	G/A/ CP	G/A	A	G/A	G	G	A	D	D/G	G	G	D/C P	G/A	G
Pit/Fissure Sealants	D	G/A/ CP	G/A	ID	G/A	A	G	G	G	G/A	D	D/G	G	G	D/C P	G	G
Scaling and Root Planing	D	G/A/ CP	G	ID	G/A	A	G	G	G	G	D	D/G	G	G	D/G/ A	G	G
Soft Tissue Curettage	D	G	G	D	D	A	G	G	G	D	D	D/G	-	G	D	D	G
Administer N2O	-	D	D	D	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	-	G	-	-	D	D
Study Cast Impressions	D	G	G	G	G/A	A	ID	G	G	G	D	D/G	G	G	D	G	G
Place Perio Dressings	D	G	G	ID	G/A	G	G/A	G	G	G	D	D/G	G	G	D/C P	G	G
Remove Perio Dressings	D	G	G	ID	G/A	G	G/A	G	G	G	D	D/G	G	G	D/C P	G	G
Place Sutures	-	-	-	ID	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Remove Sutures	D	G	G	ID	G/A	G	-	G	D	G	-	D/G	-	-	-	-	-
Dental Hygiene Diagnosis	-	-	G	-	G	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D/A	-	-
Treatment Planning	-	G	G	-	G	A	G	G	G	-	-	-	-	-	D/A	CP	-
Dental Hygiene Assessment	-	G/A/ CP	G	D	G	A	G	G	G	G	D	G	G	G	D/A	G/A	-
Prescriptive Authority	-	-	-	-	-	A	-	-	G	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botox	-	-	G	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Lasers	-	G	G	-	ID	D	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	D	-	-
Vaccines	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Administer N2O	D	D	D	D	D	D	-	D	ID	D	ID	ID/ D	D	-	-	P	-
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Place Perio Dressings	G	D	A	G	G	-	ID	-	G	G	G	G/A	D	D	G	G	G
Remove Perio Dressings	G	D	A	G	G	-	ID	D	D	G	G	G/A	G	D	G	G	G
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Remove Sutures	G	D	A	G	G	A	ID	D	G	G	G	G/A	G	D	G	G	G
Dental Hygiene Diagnosis	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Treatment Planning	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dental Hygiene Assessment	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prescriptive Authority	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	G	-	-	G	-	-
Botox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lasers	D	-	-	-	-	-	G/C P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
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Dental Hygiene Diagnosis	-	-	-	CP/ D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Treatment Planning	-	-	-	CP	-	-	-	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dental Hygiene Assessment	-	-	-	G	-	-	-	ID	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prescriptive Authority	-	-	-	CP	-	-	-	-	G	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botox	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lasers	-	-	D/ID	-	-	-	-	G	-	D	-	G/D	ID	-	D	-	-
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