

Canadian Dental Care Plan

Régime canadien de soins dentaires

Preauthorization Checklist for Crowns

The Canadian Dental Care Plan (CDCP) preauthorization process differs from private insurance plans and the coverage criteria are more stringent. For preauthorization purposes, the CDCP assesses requests based on clinical criteria established by Health Canada, which also take into account basic treatment needs that may impact the service being requested. In those instances, basic treatment needs are defined as any treatment required to address any existing active biological disease (caries, periodontal and periapical). **Not all requests for preauthorization will be approved.**

Please **first** refer to the [CDCP Dental Benefits Guide](https://Canada.ca/dental-guide) at Canada.ca/dental-guide for the general principles and eligibility criteria that are specific to crowns.

Here is a checklist of the necessary documentation to be submitted:

- ☐ a completed claim form indicating the procedure code for the crown;
- ☐ treatment plan details indicating all relevant completed and pending treatment needs - or - based on the provider's scope of practice, confirmation that potential basic needs are being referred and/or to be addressed;
- ☐ **dated** periapical and bitewing radiographs taken within the last 12 months;
- ☐ **Revised:** a complete **dated** periodontal chart, including 6 periodontal measurements per tooth, from within the last 12 months. If a complete periodontal chart is not available, on an interim basis, a **dated** Periodontal Screening and Recording (also known as PSR) for each sextant along with periodontal measurements of 6 sites for each tooth requested from within the last 12 months will be considered;
- ☐ any pertinent clinical findings and notes supporting the request.

It's important to note that any type of crown supported by implants, as well as all implant-related procedures, are **not** covered under the CDCP.

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