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CHICAGO, Aug. 30, 2016 — The American Dental Association (ADA) today released CDT 2017: Dental Procedure Codes, the definitive manual of codes for documentation and reimbursement. This latest edition of *CDT* is designed to streamline coding and help maximize reimbursement by third-party payers.

CDT 2017: Dental Procedure Codes features 11 new codes, five revised codes and one deleted code. The manual builds on previous code sets with codes that fill documentation gaps, making it easier to code quickly and accurately. More detailed options for documentation also provide better protection from legal liability, as well as fewer rejected insurance claims. The Code on Dental Procedures and Nomenclature in CDT 2017 is the only HIPAA-recognized code set for dentistry.

Also available from the ADA is the CDT 2017 Companion: Help Guide for the Dental Team, designed to train dental staff to code more accurately and efficiently. The completely revamped Companion is now organized by coding category, each chapter written by dental industry leaders. The book includes more than 50 new and updated coding scenarios and answers more than 100 common coding questions.

The CDT Code Check App for iOS and Android allows dental professionals to access CDT codes in the palm of their hand. An e-book and several product bundles complete the CDT 2017 offerings.

The availability of these tools allows time for staff training before the codes go into effect on Jan. 1, 2017. CDT 2017 products can be preordered at adacatalog.org or by calling the ADA Member Service Center at 1-800-947-4746.

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