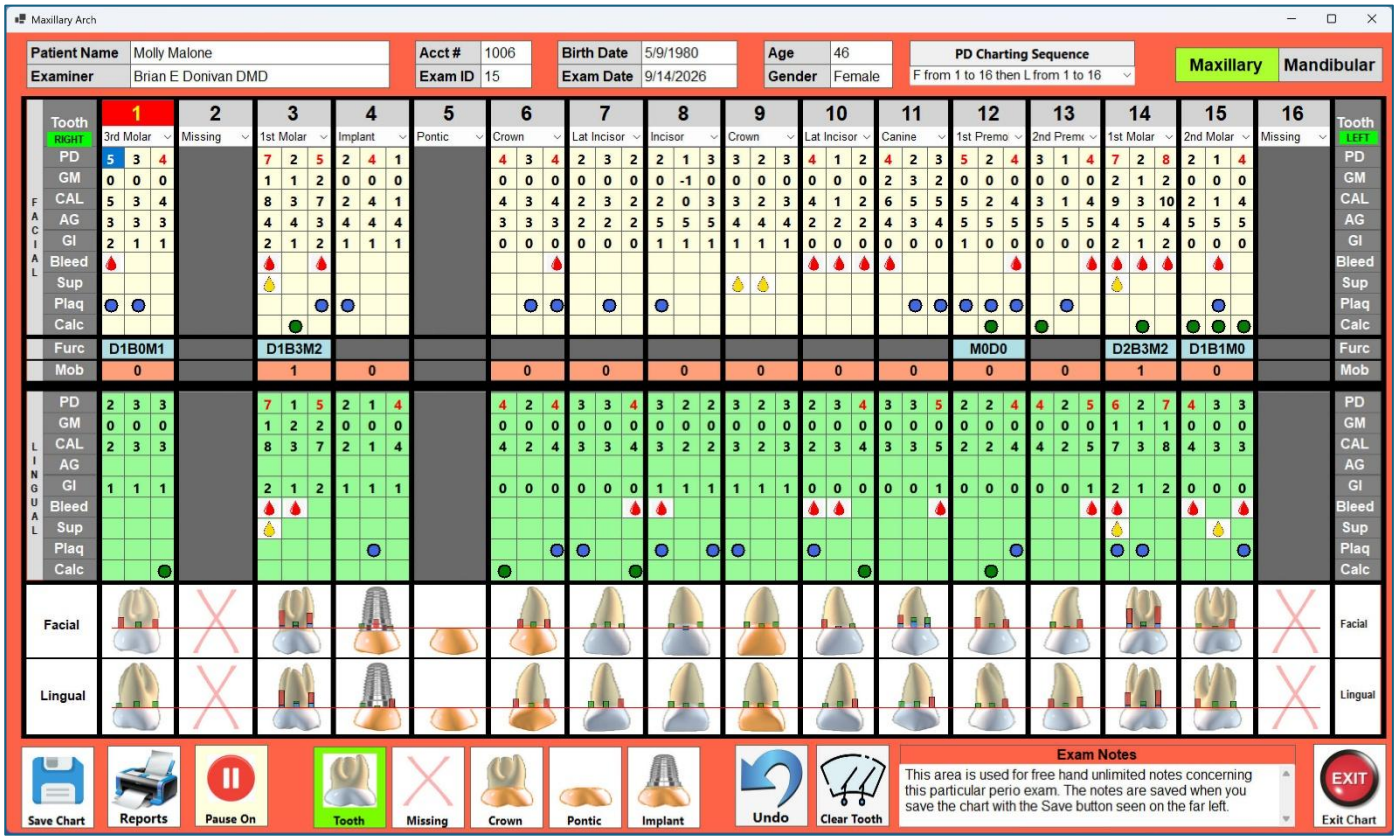
What's New in Version 7.7

The New Perio Charting Program

Diamond Dental 7.7 introduces a completely new perio charting program. You reach it from the same place as always, the patient's Posting screen, where you will now find the *New Perio* button right next to the *Old Perio* button. If you have used our old perio chart, you will notice right away that the new one is simpler to use and much easier to read. That is deliberate.

Why a New Perio Chart? Don't We Already Have One?

Yes, Diamond Dental has had a perio chart for over 20 years, and that is the problem. It was written by a third-party programmer who is no longer around, so we cannot fix or update it. It was built with Microsoft technology that Microsoft no longer supports, and we cannot guarantee that it will work as newer Windows updates are introduced. A few offices have already found that it no longer opens on some of their computers. It is also harder to use than it should be. For example, you cannot chart an implant, and to mark a tooth as missing you have to go to the Clinical Chart and possibly back to the Posting screen history. And on today's high-resolution screens, it falls apart unless you have version 7.7's high resolution capability (see below). Because of all this, we have written our own perio chart using current Microsoft tools, and because it was written by us, we can support it now, and into the future.

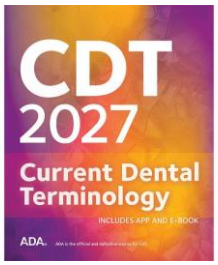


Highlights of the New Perio Chart

- **First, we made sure that all of the previously mentioned issues have been corrected** and the new perio chart does correct them all.
- **The new perio chart is easy to read.** Large, clear numbers and color, on two screens, one for the maxillary arch and one for the mandibular. One click switches between them.
- **Quick and easy designations of tooth types**. Just click on the tooth in question and then click the easy access tooth type buttons to change the character of the tooth and the tooth image. These

types include: Plain Tooth, Missing, Crown (or bridge abutment), Pontic, and Implant. Also included are the *Undo* button and a *Clear Tooth* button to correct mistakes on the spot.
- **Several useful reports** that can be printed to paper or converted to PDFs for electronic transmission.
- **Start from the last exam.** You can create a new empty exam or you can copy the data from a previous exam so you only change what is different.

New CDT 2027 Dental Procedure Codes



CDT 2027 brings 67 changes including 28 additions, 33 revisions and six editorial updates.

Highlights include:

- A new code for the removal of a screw-retained indirect restoration on an implant to enable treatment of the implant body.
- A new code for the placement of a healing cap. This code is intended to be used whenever a healing cap is placed — for example, after implant placement, after second-stage implant surgery or when removing an indirect restoration to enable treatment of the implant body.
- New codes for repairing or removing a fixed splint.
- New codes for implant- and abutment-retained interim fixed dentures for the partially edentulous arch.
- A revision to code D2390 for the placement of a direct resin-based composite crown to allow this code to be used to document and report the procedure delivered to any tooth — anterior or posterior. Previous nomenclature specified application for anterior teeth only.
- Revisions to the section for removable and fixed adjunctive orthodontic therapy. This section, previously titled “Minor Treatments to Control Harmful Habits,” includes revisions to codes D8210 and D8220.
- Additions and revisions to codes for semi-precision abutments and attachments that improve code selection when placing semi-precision abutments on a natural tooth versus an implant and code selection when replacing a replaceable part on a semi-precision attachment on a natural tooth-borne prosthesis versus an implant prosthesis.
- A revision to the code for the administration of neuromodulators and new codes for the delivery of chemodenervation procedures to delineate cosmetic versus therapeutic procedures.
- A suite of new codes for orofacial pain management, such as injection blocks for the occipital nerve, peripheral nerve and sphenopalatine ganglion as well as tendon/ligament and trigger-point muscle injections.

Every ADA code is now in Diamond Dental. While preparing this update, we went through the entire CDT code set, not just this year’s changes, and added the handful of codes that had never been included, such as the Covid vaccine codes. It is not our place to decide which procedures your office performs, so Diamond now offers you all of them. You choose which ones to add.

The CDT 2027 Update Wizard brings your procedure file up to date with only a few button-clicks. It adds the new codes you choose and hides (not deletes) the codes the ADA has retired. The update is retroactive, so if you have missed some updates in the past, running it brings you completely current.

The On-Screen CDT Code Book has also been updated with the full ADA 2027 descriptions.

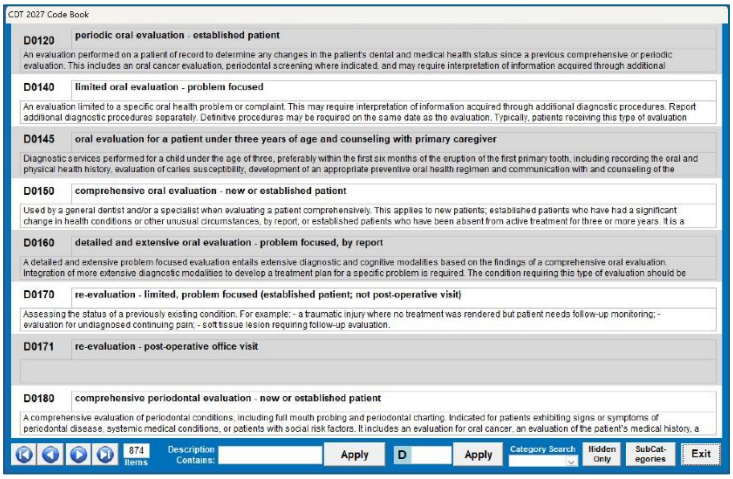
Diamond Dental Now Works on Today’s High-Resolution Displays, Including 4K



Most new computers come with high-resolution monitors. The higher the resolution the sharper the image on the screen. Unfortunately, before version 7.7, high resolutions would crash the Diamond Dental program. We had to tell customers that they would have to lower their screen resolution in order to use Diamond Dental. This would lead to a less than optimal clarity for the monitor they were viewing. That all changed with the advent of Diamond 7.7 which includes our new **High-Resolution Capability**. Now Diamond Dental handles any resolution you can throw at it. From a 32 inch 4K desktop monitor with an ultra-sharp resolution of 3840 x 2160 down

to a small laptop using a resolution of 1600 x 900. Many laptops have a maximum resolution of 1920 x 1080 but you will find that that resolution on a small laptop screen will give you fonts that can be too small to comfortably read. Therefore, the manufacturer will suggest that you boost the screen magnification by raising the Scaling to 125% or 150%. That gives you a font size you can read without eyestrain, unfortunately, increasing the scaling also caused Diamond Dental to crash. But Diamond Dental 7.7 handles increased magnification as well, without a problem. Our integrated third-party modules were especially susceptible to increased resolution or magnification. Their screens would simply fall apart and become unusable. These modules included the old *Perio Chart*, the *Clinical Chart*, the *Imaging Program*, and *Treatment Notes*. All of these modules work fine in version 7.7, regardless of resolution or magnification.

On-Screen Searchable CDT 2027 Code Book



The complete 2027 CDT Code Book is now included in Diamond Dental. Our On-Screen Code Book includes all the procedures found in the ADA 2027 CDT Dental Procedure Code Book with the full “Procedure Descriptions” along with the written “Descriptor” narratives that further define the nature and intended use of the procedure codes.

The most significant advantage of the On-Screen Code Book over the spiral bound hard copy is its ability to search its contents. Another advantage is that the OnScreen Code Book is included with Diamond Dental, but you would have to purchase the spiral bound version from the ADA.

There are now five searches available:

Text Search: Enter any word or phrase and the screen will display all procedures which contain that text.

Specific Code Search: Enter a particular code and you will be taken to that part of the book that contains that Procedure.

Hidden Procedure Search: Each year the ADA demotes some procedure codes and replaces them with other codes. However, these “non-compliant” codes still exist in the history of your patients’ ledgers. Clicking the *Hidden Only* button will display these older codes that are no longer in the latest CDT Code Book.

Category Search: Open the drop-down list of Categories and click the category you want and jump directly to that category in the book.

Subcategory Search: You may limit the displayed procedures to certain Subcategories of your choosing.

Version 7.7 is Compatible with Windows Server 2025 and Earlier

You can now use Version 7.7 on Windows Server 2025 and earlier. Our previous special version for Windows Server is no longer used and no need for its special installation.

There Is a New Dental Claim Form for 2024-2026



The American Dental Association has introduced a new dental claim form for 2024 and updated some text in 2025. The new form has five significant field additions. These are:

- Insurance Payor ID
- Other Insurance Payor ID
- Last Scaling and Root Planing (SRP) Date
- Locum Tenens Dentist
- Patient Gender now M, F, and (U)nknown

With dedicated fields for identifying *Payer IDs*, the recording of the date of the *Last Scaling and Root Planing (SRP)*, and the reporting of *Locum Tenens Dentists*, the aim is to expedite claim adjudication, minimize errors, and maximize reimbursement for dental practices.

So, if you are not up on your Latin, a *Locum Tenens* dentist is a dentist who works in the place of the regular dentist when that dentist is absent, or when a practice is short staffed. Diamond Dental will automatically fill in all these new fields, you will not have to mark them at the time of claim form printing. The ADA recommends that all paper claims be generated using the 2024 format.

Special eClaims Offer for Diamond Customers

Diamond Dental has partnered with *Trojan Professional Services* for electronic claims using their *DrDirect* product (pronounced “Doctor Direct”). Trojan is now our preferred clearing house.

Sign Up and Get FREE Electronic Claims for 3 Months!

Trojan is offering a special offer for Diamond Dental customers who sign up for DrDirect: Here’s the deal:

- The first 3 months are free for unlimited eClaims processing.
- The next 12 months are half-price at just $0.24 per claim.
- After the 15 months described above, the price will be just $0.48 per claim thereafter.

You are under no obligation. You can cancel the service at any time. DrDirect is seamlessly integrated with FastAttach from Vyne Dental for electronic attachments. When you sign up for DrDirect you will also receive a coupon for a special deal for FastAttach. DrDirect is simple to use, and Trojan will install it for you and explain any question you may have. Trojan also has excellent technical support, and they are very accessible. To sign up for your free trial call Trojan’s sales department at: 800-451-9723, ext. 3

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Diamond Dental Fully Integrates with Patient Communicator

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Patient Communicator is a feature rich patient communication platform that enables your office to have easy, efficient, and effective communication between your practice and your patients. There are many online patient communication companies around, but only *Patient Communicator* seamlessly integrates with Diamond Dental to make it a very useful tool for your practice. When you contact them let them know you are using Diamond Dental. Here is their contact information and a summary of their features:

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