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Panthera D-SAD Classic oral appliance now eligible for Medicare reimbursement

Panthera has received notification from the Pricing, Data Analysis and Coding (PDAC) contractor, following their request for a coding decision for the Panthera D-SAD Classic oral appliance. PDAC, following a formal review and assessment, has classified the HCPCS code (Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System) E0486 to be used when submitting claims for Medicare billing and other insurers who require PDAC verification following CMS (Centers for Medicare-Medicaid Services) policy.

Quebec, Canada, July 28, 2022. Panthera Dental (Quebec, Canada), a global leader in CAD/CAM implant solutions and dental sleep appliances, today announced they have received notification from PDAC that the Panthera D-SAD Classic can be billed for Medicare beneficiaries using the E0486 HCPCS code when submitting claims.

The Panthera Classic device is 3D printed, made from 100% medical-grade biocompatible polyamide 12 nylon. The versatility of medical grade nylon removes traditional limitations in design, allowing for thinness, thickness, rigidity, or flexibility. Its pull/traction mandibular advancement mechanism is aligned with the occlusal plane, which has been shown to exert less force on the TMJ than an oblique push/compression design, thereby reducing the risk of patients developing TMJ disorders during treatment.¹

Panthera Dental is leading the dental-sleep industry in manufacturing principles utilizing 4.0 technology that incorporates robotics, AI and laser sintering. The resourcefulness of nylon enables it to take any shape allowing the Panthera Classic to boast over 350 customization options. The turn-around time to deliver the Panthera Classic anywhere within the US is 8 days which means patients could be starting treatment sooner.

The therapeutic benefits for Medicare and Non-Medicare patients will be significant. The high degree of precision in the CAD/CAM production process means that Panthera Classic appliances are perfectly matched to the dental records provided. The fit goes beyond millimetres in fitting a patient's anatomy, up to the micron ranges of fit. This often means a drop in fit, less chair time, and increased patient comfort.

The high durability of polyamide 12 nylon, making it virtually indestructible, combined with the latest in manufacturing 4.0 precision technologies, allowed for the company's recent decision to issue a unique new '360 Warranty'. Not only does it offer a free remake for any appliance that breaks during normal use within 36 months, but Panthera Dental will also replace any appliance free of charge during the first 60 days, no questions asked. This is expected to give doctors and their Medicare patients unprecedented peace of mind when starting therapy.

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“We are delighted that US practitioners can now offer our oral appliance therapy under Medicare” said Gabriel Robichaud, CEO and Co-Founder of Panthera Dental. “It’s a milestone, not just for Panthera Dental, but more importantly for Medicare patients who can now receive a treatment that is truly personalized in a way that can only be achieved by Industry 4.0 manufacturing.” He continued “Our aim has always been to improve provider’s experience with oral appliance, and to put our leading technology and in-house dental expertise to work to build efficiencies within their practices. We look forward to help them treat even more patients in the future.”

Panthera Dental's Digital Sleep Apnea Devices (D-SADs), the Panthera Classic and Panthera X3, have FDA 510(k) clearance for snoring and obstructive sleep apnea, bear the CE mark, and comply with the Canadian Medical Devices Regulations.

About Panthera Dental

Panthera Dental designs, manufactures and markets dental prosthetic, implantology and sleep breathing disorder solutions using an innovative CAD/CAM process and superior quality materials. Both a pioneer and a leader in the field of customized dental solutions, its proprietary technology allows it to offer next-generation products to the widest range of patients possible. Panthera Dental is headquartered in Quebec City, Canada, with subsidiaries in the USA, France and Germany, and associates worldwide.

Panthera Dental website: www.pantheradental.com

More information about Panthera Dental's sleep division is available at www.pantherasleep.com

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Fig. 1. Panthera Dental logo



Fig. 2. Panthera Classic image