

## EP. 46 How to Use the New Gingivitis Code

For years there was no code for gingivitis. Finally, we have a code for gingivitis! These are patients without periodontal disease, but that show signs of inflammation.

The jury is still out on coverage, but as always we must charge out what we do!

### Keep in mind:

- This code creates more value! It is not just a prophylaxis. Be sure to educate your patient on the difference.
- Submit a narrative to insurance and document in the chart.
- Define your standard of care for gingivitis in your practice and make sure all hygienists are consistent with that standard of care.
- Identify any necessary follow-up treatment.
- Keep in mind, insurance companies may or may not cover it, but we must charge out what we do!

Create your protocol for gingivitis in your practice and make sure everyone is on board.