Periodontal Screening and Recording (PSR) System

Criteria for Assigning PSR Codes

Code 0
- Color-coded reference mark is completely visible in the deepest sulcus or pocket of the sextant.
- No calculus or defective margins on restorations are present.
- Gingival tissues are healthy with no bleeding evident on gentle probing.

Code 1
- Color-coded reference mark is completely visible in the deepest sulcus or pocket of the sextant.
- No calculus or defective margins on restorations are present.
- Bleeding IS present on probing.

Code 2
- Color-coded reference mark is completely visible in the deepest sulcus or pocket of the sextant.
- Supragingival or subgingival calculus and/or defective margins are detected.
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**Code 3**

- Color-coded reference mark is partially visible in the deepest sulcus or pocket of the sextant.
- This code indicates a probing depth between 3.5 and 5.5 mm.

**Code 4**

- Color-coded reference mark is not visible in the deepest sulcus or pocket in the sextant.
- This code indicates a probing depth of greater than 5.5 mm.

**Code ***

The * symbol is added to the code of a sextant exhibiting any of the following abnormalities:

- furcation involvement
- mobility
- mucogingival problems
- recession extending into the colored area of the probe

Pictured here is an example of a sextant that has teeth with furcation involvement. Therefore, the symbol should be recorded next to the sextant code.
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### Implications of PSR Codes

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### Documenting PSR Codes

For a PSR completed on May 14, 2004, the PSR box chart would look like the chart shown below.

![PSR Chart]

On this sample PSR chart, the following codes have been entered:

- Maxillary right posteriors = Code 3
- Maxillary anterior sextant = Code 2
- Maxillary left posteriors = Code 1
- Mandibular right posteriors = Code 3
- Mandibular anterior sextant = Code 3
- Mandibular left posteriors = Code 4 plus the * symbol to indicate one of the following problems: furcation involvement, mobility, mucogingival problems, or recession extending into the colored area of the probe.