

Dry mouth (Xerostomia) RFC

Name:					
Claim #:					
Date of Injury:					
Please Print Name of Medical Evaluator:					
Medical Specialty:					
Does the applicant present with dry mouth? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other:					
If, yes, is there a reasonable medical probability that applicant's medication use caused dry mouth? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other					
<p>If it is medically probable that the applicant suffers from any of the following conditions due to dry mouth?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Gingivitis (gum disease)</u>: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • <u>Tooth decay</u>: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • Mouth infections, such as <u>thrush</u>: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • Hard to wear <u>dentures</u>: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • Please list other conditions, if any: _____ 					
<p>If the applicant has been diagnosed with dry mouth please determine his or her symptoms, if any:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A sticky, dry feeling in the mouth: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • Frequent thirst: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • Sores in the mouth; sores or split <u>skin</u> at the corners of the mouth; cracked lips: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • A dry feeling in the throat: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • A burning or tingling sensation in the mouth and especially on the <u>tongue</u>: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • A dry, red, raw tongue: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • Problems speaking or trouble tasting, chewing, and swallowing: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • Hoarseness, dry nasal passages, <u>sore throat</u>: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • <u>Bad breath</u>: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other: • Please list any other symptoms, if any: _____ 					
If applicant's dry mouth caused tooth decay please describe how many teeth were affected and what procedures were performed to correct the problem: _____					
As a result of applicant's dry mouth please estimate the frequency/duration of the following symptoms over the course of an 8 hour day:					
	Not at all	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Continuously

		1-5% day	up to 1/3 rd day	1/3 rd to 2/3 rd day	2/3 rd day or more					
Sticky, dry feeling in the mouth										
Frequent thirst										
Sores in the mouth; sores or split skin at the corners of the mouth; cracked lips										
Dry feeling in the throat										
Burning or tingling sensation in the mouth and especially on the tongue										
Dry, red, raw tongue										
Problems speaking or trouble tasting, chewing, and swallowing										
Hoarseness, dry nasal passages, sore throat										
Bad breath										
If applicant's dry mouth results in frequent thirst please estimate how often he or she will consume fluids to counteract the thirst? Approximately every (minutes):										
<5 min	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-30	30-45	45-50	Other:			
One cup equals eight fluid ounces. A pint of liquid contains two cups, or 16 fluid ounces. Estimate # of fluid ounces <u>each hour</u> applicant likely to drink:			1-4 oz.	4-8 oz.	8-16 oz.	16-20 oz.	20-24 oz.	24-28 oz.	28-32 oz.	Other:
a. Is it medically probable that applicant will have to take unscheduled breaks to urinate due to increased fluid consumption throughout the day? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other:										
b. Please estimate how often applicant may have to urinate due to increased fluid consumption?										
If applicant's dry mouth includes <u>problems speaking</u> is it medically probably that speech may be interrupted occasionally and unpredictably due to symptoms such as coughing, consuming fluids, or the dry condition of the mouth? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other:										

Please describe any other limitations or difficulties related to dry mouth not considered above:

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information contained in this report and its attachments, if any, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, except as to information that I have indicated I received from others. As to that information, I declare under penalty of perjury that the report accurately describes the information provided to me and except as noted herein, that I believe it to be true. I also declare under the perjury that this physician has not violated section 139.3 of the Labor Code.

My opinions are expressed to a degree of medical probability, unless otherwise stated.

Signature of Physician _____ Date _____