

Laser Lingual (tongue) and Labial (lip) Frenotomies



Dr. Carter has over 10 years' experience in working with breastfeeding moms as well as Frenectomy corrections. She now performs releases of tongue and lip with the biolase laser. This is a simple procedure done in office as part of a comprehensive feeding evaluation with pre and post procedure assessment. We can release anterior and posterior tongue ties, as well as most most upper lip ties (maxillary labial frenum). Before scheduling a frenotomy, please check with your insurance to verify coverage. The following codes will be useful:

- Procedure (CPT) code for tongue tie release: 41010
- Procedure (CPT) code for lip tie release: 40819
- Diagnosis code ICD10:Q38.1 (tongue tie) and/or ICD10:Q38.0 (lip tie)
- IEHP covers with prior authorization

Procedure's Cost, if not covered by your insurance:

\$375.00 for labial \$375.00 for lingual \$475.00 for both

Please do not schedule appointments you do not intend to keep. When you cancel with less than 24 hours notice, or don't show up for your appointment, you are denying another family the opportunity to be seen and will be billed \$100 for a no-show.

Before your visit:

- Confirm insurance benefits. If we bill your insurance, but your insurance does not cover the procedure, or does not cover Dr. Carter, you may be billed the entire cost of the visit directly.
- Collect your baby's weights: including birth weight, hospital discharge weight, most recent weight, and the dates they were measured.

The day of the visit:

- Arrive 10-15 minutes before your appointment time to fill out any remaining forms and have your insurance and ID card.
- Baby must eat after the procedure, so please bring whatever your baby currently uses to eat.

Please bring to the visit:

- If you are breastfeeding, please bring whatever you use for breastfeeding, including nipple shields, SNS, etc.
- If you are bottle feeding, please bring bottles of expressed milk or formula.
- The baby's measurements you collected

