

# Good health starts with a healthy mouth.1

Good dental health and routine visits to your dentist can pay off in a bigger way than just having a healthy smile. Conditions in the mouth can, and often do, affect the rest of the body. Dental exams can help recognize as many as 120 medical conditions, making them extremely important to your overall health.

This benefit summary outlines the basics of your Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem) Dental Family Preventive Plan, providing you with a quick reference of deductibles, coinsurance amounts, limitations and exclusions when you receive covered services from a participating dental provider. Please refer to the plan certificate for a more complete explanation of the specific services covered by the plan.

# Anthem Dental Family Preventive Plan Individuals and Families

#### PEDIATRIC DENTAL BENEFITS AT A GLANCE:

The following benefits are available to pediatric members through age 18. After you have met your annual deductible, Anthem will pay for dental services at the listed coinsurance amounts up to the Maximum Allowed Charge (MAC) as determined by Anthem for each covered service. However, there may be different levels of coinsurance, depending on whether you choose to receive services from a Participating or a Nonparticipating dentist.

Coverage Year	Calendar Year	
Insured Age Limit	End of month in which insured turns age 19	
Annual Deductible (per covered child; applies to all services)	\$50	
Waiting Periods	None	

DENTAL SERVICES (examples of what is/is not covered by the plan):	Participating Dentist Anthem pays:	Nonparticipating Dentist Anthem pays:
Annual Benefit Maximum	No maximum	No maximum
Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum	\$350 / \$700 per family <sup>2</sup>	Not applicable
Diagnostic & Preventive Services, for example:  • Periodic oral exam  • Teeth cleaning  • Bitewing X-rays	100%	70%
Basic Services, for example:  Composite (tooth-colored) fillings on anterior (front) teeth  Amalgam (silver-colored) fillings on posterior (back) teeth  Posterior (back) composite fillings covered at amalgam allowance	60%	50%
Endodontic Services, for example:  Root canal	50%	50%
Periodontal Services, for example:  Scaling and root planing	50%	50%
Oral Surgery Services	50%	50%
Major Services, for example:  • Crowns	50%	50%
Prosthodontic Services, for example:  • Dentures and bridges	50%	50%
Dentally Necessary Orthodontic Services <sup>3</sup>	50%	50%
Dentally Necessary Orthodontic Lifetime Maximum	No maximum	No maximum

¹According to research, signs and symptoms of as many as 120 medical conditions can be first detected by an examination of the mouth, throat and neck – and earlier detection means earlier treatment. (Source: Oral Diagnosis, Oral Medicine and Treatment Planning, 1994, S. Bricker, R. Langlais, C. Miller.)
 ²Family out-of-pocket maximum applies if there are two or more children per family only; there is no out-of-pocket maximum for children receiving services from a nonparticipating dental provider.



## **ADULT DENTAL BENEFITS AT A GLANCE:**

The following benefits are available to adult members over age 18. After you have met your deductible, Anthem will pay for dental services at the listed coinsurance amounts up to the Maximum Allowed Charge (MAC) for each covered service. Anthem determines the Maximum Allowed Charge payable for each dental procedure. However, there may be different levels of coinsurance, depending upon whether you choose to receive services from a Participating or a Nonparticipating dentist.

Coverage Year	Calendar Year
Annual Deductible (per covered person; applies to all	\$50
services)	
Waiting Periods	None

<b>DENTAL SERVICES</b> (examples of what is/is not covered by the plan):	Participating Dentist Anthem pays:	Nonparticipating Dentist Anthem pays:	
.Annual Benefit Maximum		\$750	
Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum (per covered person)	Not applicable	Not applicable	
Diagnostic & Preventive Services, for example:     Periodic oral exam     Teeth cleaning     Bitewing X-rays	100%	70%	
Basic Services Fillings, for example:  • Amalgam (silver-colored)  • Anterior (front) composite (tooth-colored)  • Posterior (back) composite covered at amalgam allowance	Not covered	Not covered	
Endodontic Services, for example:  • Root canal	Not covered	Not covered	
Periodontal Services, for example:  • Scaling and root planing	Not covered	Not covered	
Oral Surgery Services	Not covered	Not covered	
Major Services, for example:  • Crowns	Not covered	Not covered	
Prosthodontic Services, for example:  • Dentures and bridges	Not covered	Not covered	
Orthodontic Services	Not covered	Not covered	

This is not a contract; it is a partial listing of benefits and services. All covered services are subject to the conditions, limitations, exclusions, terms and provisions of your certificate of coverage. In the event of a discrepancy between the information in this summary and the certificate of coverage, the certificate will prevail.

The participating dental providers mentioned in this communication are independently contracted providers who exercise independent professional judgment. They are not agents or employees of Anthem.



#### Choice of dentists

While your dental plan lets you choose any dentist, you may end up paying more for a service if you visit a nonparticipating dentist. Why? Because participating dentists have agreed to payment rates for various services and cannot charge you more. On the other hand, nonparticipating dentists don't have a contract with us and are able to bill you for the difference between the total amount we allow to be paid for a service – called the "maximum allowed amount" – and the amount they usually charge for a service. When they bill you for this difference, it is called "balance billing."

#### How Anthem dental decides on maximum allowed amounts

Anthem develops an out-of-network dental fee schedule/rate to determine the maximum allowed cost (MAC) for services provided by an out-of-network dentist. This schedule may be changed or updated based on such things as reimbursement amounts accepted by dentists contracted with our dental plans, or other industry cost and usage data.

# Here's an example of higher costs for nonparticipating dental services

This is an example only. Your experience may be different, depending on your insurance plan, the services you receive and the dentist who provides the services.

Ted, a 28-year-old, gets a crown from a nonparticipating dentist, who charges \$1,200 for the service and bills Anthem for that amount. Anthem's maximum allowed charge for this dental service is \$800. That means there will be a \$400 difference, which the dentist can "balance bill" Ted.

Since Ted will also need to pay \$680 coinsurance, the total he'll pay the nonparticipating dentist is \$1,080. Here's the math:

- Dentist's charge: \$1,200
- Anthem's maximum allowed amount: \$800
- Anthem pays 15%: \$120
- Ted pays 85% (coinsurance): \$680
- Balance Ted owes the provider: \$1,200 \$800 = \$400
- Ted's total cost: \$680 coinsurance + \$400 provider balance = \$1,080

In the example, if Ted had gone to a participating dentist, his cost would be only \$560 for the coinsurance because he would not have been "balance billed" the \$400 difference and Anthem would have paid a higher coinsurance (30%).

## Emergency dental treatment for the international traveler

As a Anthem dental member, you and your eligible, covered dependents automatically have access to the International Emergency Dental Program.\* With this program, you may receive emergency dental care from our listing of credentialed dentists while traveling or working nearly anywhere in the world.

\*Managed by an independent company offering dental management services to Anthem. To learn more about the program, please visit the International Emergency Dental website at <a href="www.decare.com/internationalDentalProgram.do">www.decare.com/internationalDentalProgram.do</a>.

#### Finding a dentist is easy.

To select a dentist by name or location:

Go to the website listed on your member ID card.

Call Anthem dental Customer Service

#### TO CONTACT US:

Call	Write	Email
Call the toll-free number on the back of your member ID card		
to speak with a U.Sbased customer service representative during	Look to the back of your	Go to the website listed on the
normal business hours. Calling after hours? We may still be able	member ID card for the address.	back of your ID card.
to assist you with our interactive voice-response system.		

Anthem does not discriminate based on race, color, ethnicity, national origin, religion, age, gender, gender identity, mental or physical disabilities, sexual orientation, genetic information, including pregnancy and expected length of life, present or predicted disability, degree of medical dependency, quality of life, or other health condition or health status in the administration of the plan (including enrollment, marketing practices, benefit designs, and benefit determinations).



#### Limitations & Exclusions (Pediatric Benefits)

Limitations – Below is a partial listing of dental plan limitations. Please see your certificate of coverage for a full list.

#### **Diagnostic and Preventive Services**

Oral evaluations (exams) Limited to two times per calendar year Teeth cleaning (prophylaxis) Covered two times per calendar year Bitewing X-rays Limited to two series of films per calendar year

Complete series X-rays (panoramic or full-mouth) Limited to one series in any

Topical application of fluoride Covered two times per calendar year

Fluoride varnish Covered two times per calendar year

Sealants Limited to permanent molars; covered one time per 3-year period

#### **Basic Services**

Fillings Composite (white) resin restorations to repair decayed or fractured permanent or primary anterior (front) teeth; amalgam (silver) restorations to repair decayed or fractured permanent or primary posterior (back) teeth

Prefabricated or stainless steel crowns Covered once per tooth in a 5-year period through age of 14

Extractions Basic removal of teeth

Periodontal services (such as scaling and root planing) Covered one time per 24-month period

Surgical extractions Removal of third molars covered only with evidence of oral pathology Intravenous conscious sedation, IV sedation and general anesthesia Covered only when given with covered complex surgical services

#### Major/Other Services

Inlays Covered at amalgam restoration allowance for the same number of surfaces
Onlays and/or permanent crowns Covered one time per 5-year period for permanent teeth

Prosthodontic services (dentures, partials, bridges) Covered one time per 5-year period

#### **Dentally Necessary Orthodontic Services**

Limited to one course of treatment per member per lifetime for dentally necessary orthodontic services only; to be considered dentally necessary orthodontic care, at least one of the following criteria must be present:

- a. There is spacing between adjacent teeth that interferes with the biting function;
- b. There is an overbite to the extent that the lower anterior teeth impinge on the roof of the mouth when child bites;
- c. Positioning of the jaws or teeth impair chewing or biting function;
- d. On an objective professionally recognized dental orthodontic severity index, the condition scores at a level consistent with the need for orthodontic care;
- e. Based on a comparable assessment of items a through d, there is an overall orthodontic problem that interferes with the biting function.

Exclusions – Below is a partial listing of noncovered services. Please see your certificate of coverage for a full list.

Services provided before or after the term of this coverage Services received before your effective date or after coverage ends, unless otherwise specified in the dental plan certificate

Cosmetic dentistry Services provided by dentists solely for the purpose of improving the appearance of the tooth when tooth structure and function are satisfactory and no pathologic conditions (cavities) exist

Cosmetic orthodontic services Orthodontic braces, appliances and all related services that are not considered dentally necessary

**Drugs and medications** Intravenous conscious sedation, IV sedation and general anesthesia when performed with nonsurgical dental care; analgesia, analgesic agents, anxiolysis nitrous oxide, medicines or drugs for nonsurgical dental care

# Limitations & Exclusions (Adult Benefits)

Limitations – Below is a partial listing of dental plan limitations. Please see your Certificate of Coverage for a full list.

#### **Diagnostic and Preventive Services**

Oral evaluations (exams) Limited to two per calendar year
Teeth cleaning (prophylaxis) Limited to two per calendar year
Bitewing X-rays Limited to one series of films per 24-month period
Periapical X-rays Limited to four single X-rays per 12-month period
Occlusal X-rays Covered at two series per 24-month period
Complete series X-rays (panoramic or full-mouth) Limited to one series in any
60-month period

Exclusions – Below is a partial listing of noncovered services. Please see your Certificate of Coverage for a full list.

#### **Basic Services**

Fillings
Basic Extractions
Brush biopsy

#### **Major Services**

Crowns, dentures, partials, bridges, tooth implants Root canal therapy Periodontal surgery, scaling and root planing Oral surgery, includes surgical extractions

Services provided before or after the term of this coverage Services received before your effective date or after your coverage ends, unless otherwise specified in the dental plan certificate

Orthodontic services Orthodontic braces, appliances and all related services

Cosmetic dentistry Services provided by dentists solely for the purpose of improving the appearance of the tooth when tooth structure and function are satisfactory and no pathologic conditions (cavities) exist

**Drugs and medications** Intravenous conscious sedation, IV sedation and general anesthesia when performed with nonsurgical dental care; analgesia, analgesia agents, anxiolysis nitrous oxide, therapeutic drug injections, medicines or drugs for nonsurgical or surgical dental care except that intravenous conscious sedation is eligible as a separate benefit when performed in conjunction with complex surgical services.

# Get help in your language

Curious to know what all this says? We would be too. Here's the English version: You have the right to get this information and help in your language for free. Call the Member Services number on your ID card for help. (TTY/TDD: 711)

Separate from our language assistance program, we make documents available in alternate formats for members with visual impairments. If you need a copy of this document in an alternate format, please call the customer service telephone number on the back of your ID card.

#### Spanish

Tiene el derecho de obtener esta información y ayuda en su idioma en forma gratuita. Llame al número de Servicios para Miembros que figura en su tarjeta de identificación para obtener ayuda. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Chinese

您有權使用您的語言免費獲得該資訊和協助。請撥打您的 ID 卡上的成員服務號碼尋求協助。(TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Vietnamese

Quý vị có quyền nhận miễn phí thông tin này và sự trợ giúp bằng ngôn ngữ của quý vị. Hãy gọi cho số Dịch Vụ Thành Viên trên thẻ ID của quý vị để được giúp đỡ. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Korean

귀하에게는 무료로 이 정보를 얻고 귀하의 언어로 도움을 받을 권리가 있습니다. 도움을 얻으려면 귀하의 ID 카드에 있는 회원 서비스 번호로 전화하십시오. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Tagalog

May karapatan kayong makuha ang impormasyon at tulong na ito sa ginagamit ninyong wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa numero ng Member Services na nasa inyong ID card para sa tulong. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Russian

Вы имеете право получить данную информацию и помощь на вашем языке бесплатно. Для получения помощи звоните в отдел обслуживания участников по номеру, указанному на вашей идентификационной карте. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Arabic

يحق لك الحصول على هذه المعلومات والمساعدة بلغتك مجانًا. اتصل برقم خدمات الأعضاء الموجود على بطاقة التعريف الخاصة بك للمساعدة. (TTY/TDD: 711)

# Armenian

Դուք իրավունք ունեք Ձեր լեզվով անվձար ստանալ այս տեղեկատվությունը և ցանկացած օգնություն։ Օգնություն ստանալու համար զանգահարեք Անդամների սպասարկման կենտրոն՝ Ձեր ID քարտի վրա նշված համարով։ (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Farsi

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شما این حق را دارید که این اطلاعات و کمکها را به صورت رایگان به زبان خودتان دریافت
کنید. برای دریافت کمک به شماره مرکز خدمات اعضاء که بر روی کارت شناساییتان درج شده
است، تماس بگیرید.(TTY/TDD:711)
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#### French

Vous avez le droit d'accéder gratuitement à ces informations et à une aide dans votre langue. Pour cela, veuillez appeler le numéro des Services destinés aux membres qui figure sur votre carte d'identification. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Japanese

この情報と支援を希望する言語で無料で受けることができます。支援を受けるには、IDカードに記載されているメンバーサービス番号に電話してください。(TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Haitian

Ou gen dwa pou resevwa enfòmasyon sa a ak asistans nan lang ou pou gratis. Rele nimewo Manm Sèvis la ki sou kat idantifikasyon ou a pou jwenn èd. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Italian

Ha il diritto di ricevere queste informazioni ed eventuale assistenza nella sua lingua senza alcun costo aggiuntivo. Per assistenza, chiami il numero dedicato ai Servizi per i membri riportato sul suo libretto. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Polish

Masz prawo do bezpłatnego otrzymania niniejszych informacji oraz uzyskania pomocy w swoim języku. W tym celu skontaktuj się z Działem Obsługi Klienta pod numerem telefonu podanym na karcie identyfikacyjnej. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Punjabi

ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਇਹ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਅਤੇ ਮਦਦ ਮੁਫ਼ਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਹੈ। ਮਦਦ ਲਈ ਆਪਣੇ ਆਈਡੀ ਕਾਰਡ ਉੱਤੇ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਸਰਵਿਸਿਜ਼ ਨੰਬਰ ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ। (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Navajo

Bee ná ahoot'i' t'áá ni nizaad k'ehjí níká a'doowoł t'áá jíík'e. Naaltsoos bee atah nílínígíí bee néého'dólzingo nanitinígíí béésh bee hane'í bikáá' áa jí hodíílnih. (TTY/TDD: 711)

## It's important we treat you fairly

That's why we follow federal civil rights laws in our health programs and activities. We don't discriminate, exclude people, or treat them differently on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. For people with disabilities, we offer free aids and services. For people whose primary language isn't English, we offer free language assistance services through interpreters and other written languages. Interested in these services? Call the Member Services number on your ID card for help (TTY/TDD: 711). If you think we failed to offer these services or discriminated based on race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a complaint, also known as a grievance. You can file a complaint with our Compliance Coordinator in writing to Compliance Coordinator, P.O. Box 27401, Mail Drop VA2002-N160, Richmond, VA 23279. Or you can file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights at 200 Independence Avenue, SW; Room 509F, HHH Building; Washington, D.C. 20201 or by calling 1-800-368-1019 (TDD: 1-800-537-7697) or online at <a href="https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf">https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf</a>. Complaint forms are available at <a href="https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html">https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html</a>.