



Snohomish County Employees

Delta Dental of Washington

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Welcome to your DeltaCare Plan, administered by Delta Dental of Washington, a founding member of the nationwide Delta Dental Plans Association.

Our mission is to support your overall health by providing excellent dental benefits and the advantages of access to care within the largest network of Dentists in Washington and nationwide. Supporting healthy smiles has been our focus for over 60 years.

Your DeltaCare Plan is a resource to make it easy for you to care for your smile. This benefit booklet summarizes your coverage and describes how your benefits may be used. Understanding your benefits is the first step to getting the most from your dental plan. Review this booklet before you visit your Dentist and keep it as a reference for later on.

You deserve a healthy smile. We're happy to help you protect it.

Questions Regarding Your Plan

If you have questions regarding your dental benefits plan, please call or email our Customer Service Department at:

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For the most current listing of Delta Dental Participating Dentists, visit our online directory at www.DeltaDentalWA.com or call us at 800-650-1583.

Communication Access for Individuals who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deaf-Blind or Speech-disabled

Communications with Delta Dental of Washington for people who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind and/or speech disabled is available through Washington Relay Service. This is a free telecommunications relay service provided by the Washington State Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

The relay service allows individuals who use a Teletypewriter (TTY) to communicate with Delta Dental of Washington through specially trained communications assistants.

Anyone wishing to use Washington Relay Service can simply dial 711 (the statewide telephone relay number) or 800-833-6384 to connect with a communications assistant. Ask the communications assistant to dial Delta Dental of Washington Customer Service at 800-650-1583. The communications assistant will then relay the conversation between you and the Delta Dental of Washington customer service representative.

This service is free of charge in local calling areas. Calls can be made anywhere in the world, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, with no restrictions on the number, length or type of calls. All calls are confidential, and no records of any conversation are maintained.

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This booklet sets forth in summary form an explanation of the coverage available under your dental plan.

How to Use Your Plan

The best way to take full advantage of your dental Plan is to know its features. You can learn them by reading this benefit booklet before you go to the dentist. This benefit booklet is designed to give you a clear understanding of how your dental coverage works and how to make it work for you. It also answers some common questions. If you have questions or do not understand something, please give us a call at 800-650-1583. We're more than happy to help. Consult your provider regarding any charges that may be your responsibility before treatment begins.

Choosing a Primary Care Dentist (PCD)

When you enroll in the DeltaCare Plan, you must complete the enrollment information and may indicate your dental office choices at that time. New enrollees have 60 days to select and notify us of your preferred Primary Care Dentist (PCD). A PCD is a Washington state General Practitioner that has chosen to participate in the DeltaCare Network.

If you do not select a PCD within 60 days, we will assign you to a provider near your home. The choice of PCD can be changed with proper notice to DDWA, the request to change your PCD must be received by the 20th of the month to be eligible by the first day of the following month with the newly chosen DeltaCare Dentist. Please contact us at 800-650-1583 for more information on selecting or changing your PCD or to notify us of your selection.

Your selected dental office is now the center for all of your dental needs. The PCD will perform most dental services. For specialty care, the PCD may elect to refer treatment to a DeltaCare Specialist.

After you have enrolled, you will receive a membership card and letter. The letter will include the address and telephone number of your PCD. You can also review information about your PCD and print an ID Card on our website at www.DeltaDentalWA.com or you may call us at 800-650-1583.

If your PCD's participation in the DeltaCare Network ends for any reason, you will receive written notification. This notification will explain your option to: 1) automatically be assigned to another PCD; or 2) select another PCD from the directory of open PCD's.

If your PCD is to be absent for an extended period of time, your PCD is required to provide you with a back-up provider. You may be re-assigned to another PCD during the period of the absence. To be re-assigned to your original PCD upon their return, please contact us at 800-650-1583 for more information on changing your PCD.

Appointments

To receive dental care, simply call your primary care dental office to make an appointment. Routine, non-emergency appointments will be scheduled within three weeks of the date of the request. Dental services which are not performed by the assigned PCD or properly referred to a DeltaCare Specialist will not be covered by the DeltaCare Plan.

Specialty Services

Your PCD is responsible for coordinating all specialty care and will either perform the specialty treatment or refer you to a DeltaCare Specialist. In some unique cases the PCD may refer you to a non-DeltaCare Specialist, but prior authorization from DDWA is required.

Urgent Care

Your PCD shall provide urgent dental care for a covered procedure within 24 hours of being contacted. If you require urgent dental care and are not able to be seen by your PCD within 24 hours or you are not within a reasonable distance of your PCD's office, you may receive treatment from another dentist. Such treatment is limited to the treatment that is necessary to evaluate and stabilize you until further treatment can be obtained from your PCD. Please call us at 800-650-1583 for more information.

Emergency Care

DeltaCare Network Dentists have made provisions for delivering emergency care. Emergency care is available 24 hours a day, every day of the year. Treatment of a dental emergency, those rare dental health instances that may be life threatening or cause severe bodily injury, shall not require a Confirmation of Treatment and Cost if a prudent layperson acting reasonably would believe that such an emergency condition exists. The Plan would encourage the enrollee to seek a preauthorization from the Plan for such emergency care if at all practical, but would not require preauthorization if the treatment is a listed procedure under the terms of coverage.

Benefit Period

Most dental benefits are calculated within a “benefit period,” which is typically for one year. For this plan, the benefit period is the 12-month period starting the first day of April and ending the last day of March.

Employee Eligibility, Enrollment and Termination

Enrolled Employees are all full-time Eligible Employees who have completed the enrollment process and for whom employer contributions are made.

New employees are eligible on the first day of the month following completion of the waiting period established by the employer, and become enrolled when they have completed the enrollment process.

You must complete the enrollment process in order to receive benefits.

Eligibility and Coverage terminates at the end of the month in which you cease to be an employee, or at the end of the month for which a timely payment of monthly Premiums was made by Group on your behalf to DDWA, or upon termination of Group’s Contract with DDWA, whichever occurs first.

In the event of a suspension or termination of compensation directly or indirectly as a result of a strike, lockout, or other labor dispute, an Enrolled Employee may remain enrolled by paying the applicable Premium directly to the employer for a period not to exceed six months. Payment of Premiums must be made when due, or DDWA may terminate the coverage.

The benefits under your DDWA dental Plan may be continued provided you are eligible for Federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and you are on a leave of absence that meets the FMLA criteria. For further information, contact your employer.

You may change or terminate plan coverage only during an Open Enrollment period, except as specified under the *Special Enrollment Periods* section below.

You may change plans (i.e. a DeltaCare Plan to a non-DeltaCare Plan offered by your employer,) only at a renewal or extension of the contract. In the event that an Employee moves and there is not a PCD within 30 miles of their new address, then you may change to the non-DeltaCare Plan prior to renewal or extension of the contract, by contacting the Benefit Manager/Coordinator or Human Resource Department of your employer.

Dependent Eligibility, Enrollment and Termination

Eligible Dependents are your spouse or domestic partner and children of yours, your spouse or your domestic partner, from birth through age 25. Children include biological children, stepchildren, foster children and adopted children. Spouses and children of Dependents are not eligible for coverage under this plan.

Non-registered domestic partnership is a relationship whereby two people:

- a) Share the same regular and permanent residence;
- b) Have a close personal committed relationship;
- c) Are jointly responsible for “basic living expenses” such as food, shelter and similar expenses;
- d) Are not married to anyone;
- e) Are each 18 years of age or older;

- f) Are not related by blood closer than would bar marriage in their state of residence;
- g) Were mentally competent to consent to contract when the domestic partnership began; and
- h) Are each other's sole domestic partner and are responsible for each other's common welfare.

Eligible Dependents may not enroll in this Plan unless the employee is an Enrolled Employee.

Coverage for an enrolled dependent child who attains the limiting age while covered under this Plan will not be terminated if the child is and continues to be both 1) incapable of self-sustaining employment by reasons of a developmental disability (attributable to intellectual disability or related conditions which include cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, or another neurological condition which is closely related to intellectual disability or which requires treatment similar to that required for intellectually disabled individuals) or physical handicap; and 2) chiefly dependent upon the Enrolled Person for support and maintenance. Continued coverage requires that proof of incapacity and dependency be furnished to DDWA within 31 days of the dependent's attainment of the limiting age. DDWA reserves the right to periodically verify the disability and dependency but not more frequently than annually after the first two years.

The Plan also provides coverage for a child pursuant to the terms of a Qualified Medical Child Support Order (QMCSO), even if the parent does not have legal custody of the child or the child is not dependent on the parent for support. This applies regardless of any enrollment season restrictions that might otherwise exist for dependent coverage.

A QMCSO may be either a National Medical Child Support Notice issued by a state child support agency or an order or judgment from a state court or administrative body directing the company to cover a child under the Plan. Federal law provides that a QMCSO must meet certain form and content requirements to be valid. If the parent is not enrolled in this Plan, the parent must enroll for coverage for both the parent and the child. If the plan receives a valid QMCSO and the parent does not enroll the dependent child, the custodial parent or state agency may do so. A child who is eligible for coverage through a QMCSO may not enroll their spouse or dependents for coverage under the plan.

Unless otherwise indicated, an Enrolled Dependent shall cease to be enrolled in this Plan at the end of the calendar month during which the employee ceases to be an Eligible Employee, or the person no longer meets the definition of an Eligible Dependent, or the end of the calendar month for which Group has made timely payment of the monthly Premiums on behalf of the Enrolled Employee to DDWA, or upon termination of Group's Contract with DDWA, whichever occurs first.

An enrolled dependent may terminate coverage at the renewal or extension of the dental plan or at Open Enrollment only, unless changes are allowed following a qualifying event. Once an enrolled dependent's coverage is terminated, the coverage cannot be reinstated unless there is a qualifying event as defined in the "*Special Enrollment*" section.

A new family member, with the exception of newborns and adopted children, should be enrolled on the first day of the month following the date he or she qualifies as an eligible dependent (see "*Special Enrollment*").

A newborn shall be covered from and after the moment of birth, and an adopted child shall be covered from the date of assumption of a legal obligation for total or partial support or upon placement of the child in anticipation of adoption. A foster child is covered from the time of placement.

When additional premium is required for a newborn or adopted child or child placed in anticipation of adoption, enrollment must be received by DDWA within the timeframe listed under "Marriage, Birth and Adoption" section which is no less than 60 days from the date of the qualifying event.

When additional Premium is not required, we encourage enrollment as soon as possible to prevent delays in claims processing but coverage will be provided in any event. Dental coverage shall include, but is not limited to, coverage for congenital anomalies of infant children.

A child will be considered an eligible dependent as an adopted child if one of the following conditions are met: 1) the child has been placed with the enrolled employee for the purpose of adoption under the laws of the state in which the employee resides, or 2) the employee has assumed a legal obligation for total or partial support of the child in anticipation of adoption.

Enrolled employees who choose not to enroll an eligible dependent during the initial enrollment period of the dental plan may enroll the eligible dependent only during an Open Enrollment, except under special enrollment. See the “Special Enrollment” section for more information. An enrolled dependent is an Eligible Dependent that has completed the enrollment process.

Special Enrollment Periods

Enrollment or termination of you or your Eligible Dependent is allowed at Open Enrollment times, and also during Special Enrollment Periods, which are triggered by the following situations:

1. Loss of Other Coverage

If you and/or your eligible dependents involuntarily lose coverage under another dental plan, you may change coverage under this Plan if you or your Eligible Dependent lost eligibility in another health Plan or your coverage is terminated due to the following:

- You declined enrollment in this Plan.
- You lose eligibility in another health plan or your coverage is terminated due to the following:
 - Legal separation or divorce
 - Cessation of dependent status
 - Death of Employee
 - Termination of employment or employer contributions
 - Reduction in hours
 - Loss of individual or group market coverage because of move from plan area or termination of benefit plan
 - Exhaustion of COBRA coverage
- The enrollment process must be completed within 31 days of losing other coverage. Coverage will be effective the first day of the month following receipt of application.

If these conditions are not met, you must wait until the next Open Enrollment Period, or the occurrence of another valid qualifying election event, to apply for coverage.

Note: Eligible dependents may not enroll in this Plan unless the Employee is a Subscriber.

2. Marriage, Birth or Adoption

If you declined enrollment in this Plan, you may apply for coverage for yourself and your eligible dependents in the event of marriage, birth of a child, or when you or your spouse assume legal obligation for total or partial support or upon placement of a child in anticipation of adoption.

- Marriage or Domestic Partner Registration — The enrollment process must be completed within the timeframe established by the Group. If enrollment and payment are not completed within the timeframe established, any changes to enrollment can be made during the next Open Enrollment or upon the occurrence of another valid qualifying election change event.

DDWA considers the terms spouse, marriage, marital, husband, wife, widow, widower, next of kin and family to apply equally to domestic partnerships or individuals in domestic partnerships, as well as to marital relationships and married persons. References to dissolution of marriage will apply equally to domestic partnerships that have been terminated, dissolved or invalidated. Where necessary, gender-specific terms such as husband and wife used in any part of this benefit booklet will be considered as gender neutral and applicable to individuals in domestic partnerships. DDWA and the group will follow all applicable state and federal requirements, including any applicable regulations.

- **Birth** – A newborn shall be covered from and after the moment of birth. The enrollment process must be completed within 90 days of the date of birth. If an additional Premium for coverage is required and enrollment and payment is completed after 90 days, the enrollment becomes effective on the first day of the month in which enrollment occurs. Enrollment may be completed at any time up to the fourth birthday. Enrollment after the fourth birthday must be coincident with an Open Enrollment period or upon the occurrence of another valid qualifying election change event.
- **Adoption** — The enrollment process must be completed within 90 days of the date of assumption of a legal obligation for total or partial support or upon placement of the child in anticipation of adoption. If an additional premium for coverage is required and enrollment and payment is not completed within the 90 days, any changes to enrollment can be made during the next Open Enrollment or upon the occurrence of another valid qualifying election change event.

Contact your employer for further clarification and details of how they plan to implement this continuation of coverage for eligible persons.

Extension of Benefits

In the event a person ceases to be eligible, or in the event of termination of this Plan, DDWA shall not be required to pay for services beyond the termination date. The exception will be for the completion (within three weeks) of procedures requiring multiple visits to complete the work started while coverage was in effect and that are otherwise benefits under the terms of this Plan.

How to Report Suspicion of Fraud

If you suspect a dental provider, an insurance producer or an individual might be committing insurance fraud, please contact DDWA at 800-554-1907. You may also want to alert any of the appropriate law enforcement authorities including:

- The National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB). You can reach the NICB at 800-835-6422 (callers do not have to disclose their names when reporting fraud to the NICB).
- The Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC) at 360-725-7263 or go to www.insurance.wa.gov for more information.

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

Delta Dental of Washington is committed to protecting the privacy of your dental health information.

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requires DDWA to alert you of the availability of our Notice of Privacy Practices (NPP), which you may view and print by visiting www.DeltaDentalWA.com. You may also request a printed copy by calling us at 800-554-1907.

Uniformed Services Employment & Re-Employment Rights Act (USERRA)

Employees who join a branch of military service have the right to continue dental coverage for up to 24 months by paying the monthly Premiums, even if they are employed by groups that are too small to comply with COBRA. For further information on your rights under this act, please contact your legal counsel.

Conversion Option

If your dental coverage stops because your employment or eligibility ends, the group policy ends, or there is an extended strike, or lockout or labor dispute, you may apply directly to DDWA to convert your coverage to a Delta Dental Individual plan. You must apply within 31 days after termination of your group coverage or 31 days after you receive notice of termination of coverage, whichever is later. The benefits and premium costs of a Delta Dental Individual plan may be different from those available under your current plan. You may learn about our Individual Plans and apply for coverage online at DeltaDentalCoversMe.com or by calling 888-899-3734

Benefits Covered By Your Plan

The following are the Covered Dental Benefits under this Plan and are subject to the limitations and exclusions contained in this benefit booklet. Such benefits (as defined) are available only when provided by a Licensed Dentist or other licensed professional when appropriate and necessary as determined by the standards of generally accepted dental practice and DDWA.

Note: Please be sure to consult your provider before treatment begins regarding any charges that may be your responsibility.

Diagnostic

Covered Dental Benefits

- Diagnostic evaluation for routine or emergency purposes
- Comprehensive, or detailed and extensive, oral evaluation (dental exam)
- X-rays

Limitations

- Routine evaluation is covered twice in a Benefit Period. Routine evaluation includes all evaluations except limited, problem-focused evaluations.
- Comprehensive or detailed and extensive oral evaluation is covered once in the patient's lifetime by the same dentist. Subsequent comprehensive or detailed and extensive oral evaluations from the same dentist are paid as a periodic oral evaluation.
- Limited problem-focused evaluations are covered twice in a Benefit Period.
- Full mouth or panoramic X-ray is limited to one every three years and for patients over three years of age.
- Bitewing X-rays limited to not more than twice in a Benefit Period.

Preventive

Covered Dental Benefits

- Prophylaxis (cleaning)
- Periodontal maintenance
- Sealants
- Topical application of fluoride including fluoridated varnishes
- Space maintainers
- Preventive resin restoration

Limitations

- Any combination of prophylaxis (cleaning) and periodontal maintenance is covered twice in a benefit period. Additional periodontal maintenance procedures are the patient's responsibility.
 - Periodontal maintenance procedures are covered only if a patient has completed active periodontal treatment.
- Topical application of fluoride is limited to two covered procedures in a benefit period.
- Space maintainers are covered for children through the age of 13.
- Sealants:
 - Payment for application of sealants will be for permanent molars with no restorations (includes preventive resin restorations) on the occlusal (biting) surface.
 - The application of a sealant is a Covered Dental Benefit once in a two-year period per tooth from the date of service.

- Preventive resin restorations:
 - Payment for a preventive resin restoration will be for permanent molars with no restorations on the occlusal (biting) surface.
 - The application of a preventive resin restoration is a Covered Dental Benefit once in a two-year period per tooth from the date of service.
 - The application of preventive resin restoration is not a paid covered benefit for two years after a sealant or preventive resin restoration on the same tooth from the date of service.

Restorative

Covered Dental Benefits

- Restorations (fillings)
- Stainless steel crowns

Limitations

- Restorations on the same surface(s) of the same tooth are covered once in a two-year period.
- Crowns are covered once in a five-year period for patients 16 years of age or older.
- Core build-up, including pins is covered once in a two-year period.
- Stainless steel crowns on primary teeth are covered once in a two-year period.
- Resin-based composite crowns on anterior teeth are covered once in a two-year period.

Periodontics

Covered Dental Benefits

- Surgical and nonsurgical procedures for treatment of the tissues supporting the teeth
- Services covered include
 - Periodontal scaling/root planing
 - Periodontal surgery
 - Limited adjustments to occlusion (8 teeth or fewer)
 - Localized delivery of antimicrobial agents
 - Gingivectomy

Limitations

- Root planing/subgingival curettage is covered once in a 12-month period.
- Limited occlusal adjustments are covered once in a 12-month period.
- Localized delivery of antimicrobial agents is a Covered Dental Benefit under certain conditions of oral health such as periodontal Case Type III or IV, and 5mm (or greater) pocket depth readings.
- When covered, localized delivery of antimicrobial agents is limited to two teeth per quadrant and up to two times (per tooth) in a benefit period.
- Periodontal surgery is covered once in a three-year period.
- Two sites of soft tissue grafting are covered in the same quadrant in a three-year period.
- Scaling and root planning must be done a minimum of six weeks and a maximum of six months prior to periodontal surgery or localized delivery of antimicrobial agents.
- One Periodontal Maintenance therapy treatment, specifically periodontal prophylaxis, is covered twice in a Benefit Period and is to be charged at the applicable co-payment level. The cost of additional Periodontal Maintenance prophylaxis treatments over twice in a Benefit Period are your responsibility.
- Full mouth debridement is covered once in a three-year period.
- Crown lengthening - hard/soft tissue is covered once in a three-year period.

Endodontics

Covered Dental Benefits

- Procedures for pulpal and root canal treatment, services covered include:
 - Pulp exposure treatment
 - Pulpotomy
 - Apicoectomy

Limitations

- Root canal treatment on the same tooth is covered only once in a two-year period.
- Pulp Vitality Tests are limited to one per visit, including multiple teeth.

Prosthodontics

Covered Dental Benefits

- Dentures
- Fixed partial dentures (fixed bridges)
- Adjustment or repair of an existing prosthetic appliance

Limitations

- Full upper and/or lower dentures and partial upper and/or lower dentures are not to exceed one each in any five-year period and only then if it is unserviceable and cannot be made serviceable.
- Rebase of full upper and/or lower dentures and partial upper and/or lower dentures are not to exceed one each in a 12-month period following initial placement.
- Denture relines are limited to one per denture during any 12 consecutive months except in the case of an immediate denture then a reline is a benefit six months after the initial placement.
- Fixed partial denture is covered to replace one missing, anterior tooth. Fixed partial denture to replace multiple missing anterior teeth and/or any number of posterior teeth is covered at the cost of a partial denture.
- Upper Tissue Conditioning is limited to twice per three-year period.

Managed Care Orthodontic Limitations and Exclusions

Orthodontic Limitations

This plan provides coverage for orthodontic treatment plans provided through DeltaCare network orthodontists. The cost to the patient for the treatment plan are listed in the Schedule of Benefits and Co-payments subject to the following:

- Orthodontic treatment must be provided by a DeltaCare orthodontist.
- Plan benefits cover 24 months of active comprehensive orthodontic treatment. They include initial examination, diagnosis, consultation, initial banding, 24 months of active treatment, de-banding and the retention phase of treatment. The retention phase includes the initial construction, placement and adjustments to retainers and office visits for a maximum of two years.
- For treatment plans extending beyond 24 months of active treatment, the patient will be subject to a monthly office visit fee not to exceed \$75.00 per month, not to exceed an additional 12 months up to a maximum of 36 months from start to finish.

- Should a patient’s coverage be canceled or terminated for any reason, and at the time of cancellation or termination be receiving any orthodontic treatment, the patient and not DeltaCare will be responsible for payment of balance due for treatment provided after cancellation or termination. In such a case the patient’s payment shall be based on the provider’s Maximum Allowable Fee at the beginning of treatment. The amount will be pro-rated over the number of months to completion of the treatment and, will be payable by the patient on such terms and conditions as are arranged between the patient and the orthodontist.
- If treatment is not required or the patient chooses not to start treatment after the diagnosis and consultation have been completed by the orthodontist, the patient will be charged a consultation fee of \$25.00 in addition to diagnostic record fees.
- Three re-cementations or replacements of a bracket/band on the same tooth or a total of five rebracketings/rebandings on different teeth during the covered course of treatment are a benefit. If any additional re-cementations or replacements of brackets/bands are performed, the patient is responsible for the cost at the dentist’s DDWA filed fee for the covered benefit.
- Comprehensive orthodontic treatment (Phase II) consists of repositioning all or nearly all of the permanent teeth in an effort to make the patient’s occlusion as ideal as possible. This treatment usually requires complete fixed appliances; however, when the DeltaCare orthodontist deems it suitable, removable appliance therapy may be substituted at the same coinsurance amount as for fixed appliances.

Orthodontic Exclusions

- Phase I orthodontics (orthodontic treatment when both primary and permanent teeth are present);
- Activator appliances (removable appliances designed to stimulate growth);
- Minor treatment for tooth guidance and/or arch expansion;
- Extractions solely for the purpose of orthodontics (See the “*Oral Surgery*” Section for information regarding extraction coverage)
- Treatment in progress at inception of eligibility;
- Transfer after banding has been initiated;
- Lost, stolen or broken orthodontic appliances, functional appliances, headgear, retainers and expansion appliances;
- Retreatment of orthodontic cases;
- Changes in treatment necessitated by accident of any kind, and/or lack of patient cooperation;
- Surgical procedures incidental to orthodontic treatment;
- Myofunctional therapy;
- Surgical procedures related to cleft palate, micrognathia, or macrognathia;
- Treatment related to temporomandibular joint disturbances;
- Supplemental appliances not routinely utilized in typical Phase II orthodontics;
- Active treatment that extends more than 24 months from the point of banding dentition will be subject to an office visit charge not to exceed \$75.00 per month;
- Restorative work caused by orthodontic treatment;
- Composite bands and lingual adaptation of orthodontic bands are considered optional treatment and would be subject to additional charges.
- Self-Administered Orthodontics

Orthodontic treatment is defined as the necessary procedures of treatment, performed by a Licensed Dentist, involving surgical or appliance therapy for movement of teeth and post-treatment retention.

Eligible Persons include the employee, lawful spouse or domestic partner, plus children through age twenty five (25).

It is strongly suggested that an orthodontic treatment plan be submitted to, and a Confirmation of Treatment and Cost be made by, DDWA prior to commencement of treatment. A Confirmation of Treatment and Cost is not a guarantee of payment. Additionally, payment for orthodontic benefits is based upon your eligibility. If you become ineligible prior to the subsequent payment of benefits, subsequent payment will not be made. If you have any questions about your Covered Dental Benefits or plan maximums, please see the "Questions Regarding Your Plan" section on how to contact Customer Service.

General Dental Exclusions

1. General Anesthesia, including intravenous and inhalation sedation, and the services of a special anesthesiologist except when medically necessary, for children through age six, or a physically or developmentally disabled person, when in conjunction with covered dental procedures;
2. Cosmetic dental care. Cosmetic services include, but are not limited to, laminates, veneers or tooth bleaching;
3. Services for injuries or conditions which are compensable under Worker's Compensation or Employers' Liability laws, and services which are provided to the eligible person by any federal or state or provincial government agency or provided without cost to the eligible person by any municipality, county or other political subdivision, other than medical assistance in this state, under medical assistance RCW 74.09.500, or any other state, under 42 U.S.C., Section 1396a, section 1902 of the Social Security Act;
4. Restorations or appliances necessary to correct vertical dimension or to restore the occlusion; such procedures include restoration of tooth structure lost from attrition, abrasion or erosion and restorations for malalignment of teeth;
5. Application of desensitizing agents (treatment for sensitivity or adhesive resin application);
6. Experimental services or supplies, which include:
 - a. Procedures, services or supplies are those whose use and acceptance as a course of dental treatment for a specific condition is still under investigation/observation. In determining whether services are experimental, DDWA, in conjunction with the American Dental Association, will consider them if:
 - i) The services are in general use in the dental community in the state of Washington;
 - ii) The services are under continued scientific testing and research;
 - iii) The services show a demonstrable benefit for a particular dental condition; and
 - iv) They are proven to be safe and effective.Any individual whose claim is denied due to this experimental exclusion clause will be notified of the denial within 20 working days of receipt of a fully documented request.
 - b. Any denial of benefits by DDWA on the grounds that a given procedure is deemed experimental may be appealed to DDWA. DDWA will respond to such appeal within 20 working days after receipt of all documentation reasonably required to make a decision. The 20-day period may be extended only with written consent of the eligible person.
 - c. Whenever DDWA makes an adverse determination and delay would jeopardize the eligible person's life or materially jeopardize the covered person's health, DDWA shall expedite and process either a written or an oral appeal and issue a decision no later than 72 hours after receipt of the appeal. If the treating Licensed Professional determines that delay could jeopardize the eligible person's health or ability to regain maximum function, DDWA shall presume the need for expeditious review, including the need for an expeditious determination in any independent review.
7. Dental services performed in a hospital and related hospital fees;
8. Loss or theft of fixed or removable prosthetics (crowns, bridges, full or partial dentures);
9. Dental expenses incurred in connection with any dental procedure started after termination of eligibility of coverage;
10. Dental expenses incurred in connection with any dental procedure started prior to the enrollee's eligibility;
11. Cysts and malignancies;
12. Laboratory examination of tissue specimen;

13. Any drugs or medicines, even if they are prescribed. This includes analgesics (medications to relieve pain) and patient management drugs, such as pre-medication and nitrous oxide;
14. Accidental injury. This plan does not provide benefits for services or supplies to the extent that benefits are payable for them under any motor vehicle medical, motor vehicle no-fault, uninsured motorist, underinsured motorist, personal injury protection (PIP), commercial liability, homeowner's policy, or other similar type of coverage;
15. Accidental injury. Accidental injury is defined as damage to the hard and soft tissues of the oral cavity resulting from forces external to the mouth. Damages to the hard and soft tissues of the oral cavity from normal masticatory (chewing) function will be covered at the normal schedule of benefits;
16. Cases which in the professional judgment of the attending dentist a satisfactory result cannot be obtained or where the prognosis is poor or guarded;
17. Prophylactic removal of impactions (asymptomatic, nonpathological);
18. Specialist consultations for non-covered benefits;
19. Implant placement or removal, appliance placed on or services associated with implants;
20. Orthodontic treatment which involves therapy for myofunctional problems, TMJ, dysfunctions, or hormonal imbalances causing growth and developmental abnormalities;
21. All other services not specifically included on the patient's Schedule of Benefits and Co-payments;
22. Treatment of fractures and dislocations to the jaw;
23. Dental services received from any dental office other than the assigned dental office, unless expressly authorized in writing by DDWA or as cited under the "Emergency or Urgent Care." Section.

Governing Administrative Policies

Unlike medical care where the diagnosis dictates more specifically the method of treatment to be rendered, in dental care, the dentist and patient frequently consider various treatment options.

The following guidelines are an integral part of the dental plan and are consistent with the principles of accepted dental practice and the continued maintenance of good dental health.

In all cases in which the patient selects a more expensive plan of treatment than is customarily provided, the more expensive treatment is considered optional. The patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentist's DDWA filed fees for the covered benefit and the optional treatment plus any co-payment for covered benefits.

Failure to pay a scheduled co-payment at the time of service may prevent future dental services from being rendered. Emergency services that are required for alleviation of severe pain or immediate diagnosis and treatment of unforeseen medical conditions, which, if not immediately diagnosed and treated, would lead to disability and death are exempt from this denial of services.

Replacement of prosthetic appliances (crowns, bridges, partials and full dentures) shall be considered only if the existing appliance is no longer functional or cannot be made functional by repair or adjustment and meets the five-year limitation for replacement.

Partial Dentures

1. A removable cast metal partial denture is considered an adequate restoration of a case when more than 1 tooth is missing in a dental arch. If the patient selects another course of treatment, the patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentists' DDWA filed fees for the covered benefit and the optional treatment, plus any co-payment for the standard benefit.

2. If a cast metal partial denture will restore the case, the PCD will apply the difference of the cost of such procedure toward any alternative treatments which the patient and dentist may choose to use. The patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentist's DDWA file fees for the covered benefit and the optional treatment plus any co-payment for the covered benefit.
3. An acrylic partial denture may be considered a standard benefit in cases involving extensive periodontal disease. Patients will pay the applicable co-payment for a cast metal partial denture.

Complete Dentures

1. If, in the construction of a denture, the patient and the PCD decide on personalized restorations or employ specialized techniques as opposed to standard procedures, the patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentists' DDWA filed fees for the covered benefit and optional treatment, plus any co-payment for the covered benefit.
2. Full upper and/or lower dentures are not to exceed one each in any five-year period from initial placement. The patient is entitled to a new upper or lower denture only if the existing denture is more than five years old and cannot be made satisfactory by either reline or repair.

Fillings and Crowns

1. Crowns will be covered only if there is not enough retention and resistance form left in the tooth to hold a filling. For example, the buccal or lingual walls are either fractured or decayed to the extent that they will not hold a filling.
2. Porcelain or porcelain fused to metal crowns on all first, second or third molars are considered optional treatment, base metal crowns are considered adequate restorations/ the standard benefit. If upgrades are performed, the patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentists' DDWA filed fees for the standard benefit and optional treatment, up to a maximum of \$200 plus any co-payment for the covered benefit. The patient must be permitted the option of the base metal crown as a benefit if desired.
3. The DeltaCare Plan provides amalgam (back tooth) and resin-based (front tooth) restorations for treatment of caries. If the tooth can be restored with such materials, any other restoration such as a crown or jacket is considered optional, and if provided, the patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentist's DDWA file fees for the covered benefit and the optional treatment plus any co-payment for the covered benefit.
4. A restoration is a covered benefit only when required for restorative reasons (radiographic evidence of decay or missing tooth structure). Restorations placed for any other purposes including, but not limited to cosmetics, abrasion, erosion, restoring or altering vertical dimension, or the anticipation of future fractures, are not covered benefits.
5. Composite resin restorations in posterior teeth are considered optional treatment with the exception of the buccal surfaces of the bicuspid. If provided, the patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentist's DDWA filed fees for the covered benefit and optional treatment, plus any co-payment for the covered benefit.
6. Anterior porcelain crowns, porcelain fused to metal or plastic processed to metal type crowns are not a benefit for children under 16 years of age. An allowance will be made for an acrylic crown. If performed, the patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentist's DDWA filed fees for the covered benefit and optional treatment, plus any co-payment for the covered benefit.
7. A crown placed on a specific tooth is allowable only once in a five-year period from initial placement.
8. A crown used as an abutment to a partial denture for purposes of recontouring, repositioning or to provide additional retention is not covered unless the tooth is decayed to the extent that a crown would be required to restore the tooth whether or not a partial denture is required.

Fixed Partial Denture (Fixed Bridges)

1. A fixed partial denture to replace one (1) missing permanent anterior tooth is covered for patients 16 or older. Such treatment will be covered if the patient's oral health and general condition permits.
2. Fixed partial dentures for patients under the age of 16 are optional to a partial denture.

3. A fixed partial denture to replace more than one permanent anterior tooth or any number of permanent posterior teeth is optional to a removable partial denture. The patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentist's filed fee for the covered benefit (a removable partial denture) and the optional treatment (a fixed bridge), plus any co-payment for the covered benefit.
4. Fixed partial dentures are not a benefit when provided in connection with a partial denture on the same arch. A fixed bridge is not a covered benefit once a removable partial denture has been delivered in the same arch.
5. Replacement of an existing fixed partial denture (to replace one (1) missing permanent anterior tooth) is covered after five years from initial placement and only if it involves the same teeth as the prior fixed partial denture.

Reconstruction

1. The DeltaCare Plan provides coverage for procedures necessary to eliminate oral disease and to replace missing teeth. Appliances or restorations necessary to increase vertical dimension, replace or stabilize tooth structure loss by attrition, realignment of teeth, periodontal splinting, gnathologic recordings, equilibration or treatment of disturbances of the temporomandibular joint (TMJ) are not covered benefits. Extensive treatment plans involving 10 or more crowns or units of fixed bridgework are considered full mouth reconstructions and are not a benefit of the DeltaCare Plan.

Specialized Techniques

1. Noble or titanium metal for removable appliances, crowns, precision abutments for partials or bridges (overlays, implants, and appliances associated therewith), personalization and characterization, are all considered optional treatment. If performed, the patient must pay the difference in cost between the dentist's DDWA filed fees for the covered benefit and the optional treatment, plus any co-payment for the covered benefit. (As long as the patient has the option of the benefit procedure.)

Preventative Control Programs

1. Soft tissue management programs are not covered. The periodontal pocket charting, root planing/scaling oral hygiene instruction and prophylaxis are covered benefits and, if performed as part of a soft tissue management program, will be provided for listed co-payments, if any. Irrigation, infusion, special tooth brush, etc., are considered optional treatment. If performed, the patient is responsible for the cost.
2. Follow-up examinations for reevaluation, particularly periodontal reevaluation, are considered to be part of the general serviced rendered.

Frenectomy

1. The frenum can be excised when the tongue has limited mobility; or there is a large diastema between anterior teeth; or when the frenum interferes with a prosthetic appliance.

Pedodontia

1. Pedodontic referrals must be preauthorized by DeltaCare. Benefits for dependent children through age three are covered at 100 % of the agreed upon fee less any applicable co-payments for covered benefits and children four years and older are covered at 50 % of agreed upon fee less any applicable co-payments for covered services.

Treatment Planning

1. The objective of this plan is to see that all patients are brought to a good level of oral health and that this level of oral health is maintained. To achieve these objectives takes treatment planning. Priorities have been established on the following basis:
 - a) Priority attention is given to those procedures that, if not done first, could have an immediate effect on the patient's overall oral health.
 - b) Priority is next given to work such as active dental decay and periodontal problems that would not have an immediate effect on the patient's oral health.
 - c) Priority is given to replacement of missing teeth causing a gross lack of function.

d) Exceptions are made to this treatment-planning concept based on individual circumstances

Schedule of Benefits and Co-Payments

Please see the following table which describes the Benefits and Co-Payments for this Plan. The Benefits and Copayments listed below are Effective as of **January 1, 2019**.

Schedule of Benefits and Co-Payments

The services covered under the DeltaCare Plan are listed in the following schedule. These copayments are your total price, including lab work. All coverage is subject to the exclusions and limitations set forth in the benefit descriptions and exclusions.

CDT Code	Description	Referable	Copayment	Notes
Diagnostic D0120 –D0999				
D0120	Periodic oral examination - established patient		\$0.00	
D0140	Limited oral evaluation-problem focused	X	\$0.00	
D0145	Oral Evaluation - patient under age 3		\$0.00	
D0150	Comprehensive oral evaluation-new or established(inactive) patient	X	\$0.00	
D0160	Detailed and extensive oral evaluation - Problem focused, by report	X	\$0.00	
D0170	Re-evaluation-limited, problem focused (Established pt not post op visit)	X	\$0.00	
D0180	Comprehensive Periodontal Exam	X	\$0.00	
D0210	Intraoral - complete series of radiographic images (including bitewings)		\$0.00	
D0220	Intraoral - periapical, first radiographic image		\$0.00	
D0230	Intraoral - periapical, each additional radiographic image		\$0.00	
D0240	Intraoral - occlusal radiographic image		\$0.00	
D0270	Bitewing - single radiographic image		\$0.00	
D0272	Bitewings - two radiographic images		\$0.00	
D0273	Bitewings - three radiographic images		\$0.00	
D0274	Bitewings - four radiographic images		\$0.00	
D0277	Vertical bitewings - 7 to 8 radiographic images		\$0.00	
D0320	TMJ Arthrogram, including injection	X	TMJ	
D0321	Other TMJ radiographic images by report	X	TMJ	
D0322	TMJ Arthrogram, including injection	X	TMJ	
D0330	Panoramic radiographic image		\$0.00	
D0340	2D Cephalometric radiographic image - acquisition, measurement and analysis		Ortho	
D0350	2D oral/facial photographic image		Ortho	
D0394	Digital subtraction of two or more image or image volumes of the same modality		NB	
D0395	Fusion of two or more 3D image volumes of one or more modalities		NB	

D0414	Laboratory processing of microbial specimen to include culture and sensitivity studies, preparation and transmission of written report		NB	
D0415	Collection of microorganisms for culture and sensitivity		NB	
D0425	Caries susceptibility test		\$0.00	
D0460	Pulp vitality tests	X	\$0.00	
D0470	Diagnostic casts		\$0.00	
D0472	Accession of tissue, gross examinations, preparation and transmission of written report		\$0.00	
D0473	Accession of tissue, gross and microscopic examinations, preparation and transmission of written report		\$0.00	
D0474	Accession of tissue, gross and microscopic examinations, including assessment of surgical margins for presence of disease, preparation and transmission of written report		\$0.00	
D0600	Laboratory processing of microbial specimen to include culture and sensitivity studies, preparation and transmission of written report		NB	
D0601	Caries risk assessment and documentation, with a finding of low risk		\$0.00	
D0602	Caries risk assessment and documentation, with a finding of moderate risk		\$0.00	
D0603	Caries risk assessment and documentation, with a finding of high risk		\$0.00	
Preventive D1000 -D1999				
D1110	Prophylaxis cleaning- adult - 1 per 6-month period		\$0.00	
D1120	Prophylaxis cleaning- child - 1 per 6-month period	X	\$0.00	
D1206	Topical application of fluoride varnish		\$0.00	
D1208	Topical application of fluoride – excluding varnish		\$0.00	*Covered through age 18
D1310	Nutritional counseling for control of dental disease		\$0.00	
D1330	Oral hygiene instructions		\$0.00	
D1351	Sealant - per tooth		\$5.00	
D1352	Preventive resin restoration – per tooth		\$5.00	
D1353	Sealant repair – per tooth		\$5.00	
D1510	Space maintainer - fixed, unilateral		\$10.00	
D1516	Space maintainer – fixed – bilateral, maxillary		\$10.00	
D1517	Space maintainer - fixed, bilateral, mandibular		\$10.00	
D1520	Space maintainer - removable, unilateral		\$10.00	
D1526	Space maintainer – removable – bilateral, maxillary		\$10.00	
D1527	Space maintainer – removable – bilateral, mandibular		\$10.00	
D1550	Re-cement or re-bond of space maintainer		\$0.00	
D1555	Removal of fixed space maintainer		\$0.00	
D1575	Distal shoe space maintainer – fixed – unilateral		\$10.00	

Minor Restorative D2000 - D2335				
D2140	Amalgam - one surface, primary or permanent		\$0.00	
D2150	Amalgam - two surfaces, primary or permanent		\$0.00	
D2160	Amalgam - three surfaces, primary or permanent		\$0.00	
D2161	Amalgam - four or more surfaces, primary or permanent		\$0.00	
D2330	Resin-based composite - one surface, anterior		\$0.00	
D2331	Resin-based composite - two surfaces, anterior		\$0.00	
D2332	Resin-based composite - three surfaces, anterior		\$0.00	
D2335	Resin-based composite - four or more surfaces or involving incisal angle (anterior)		\$0.00	
D2390	Resin-based composite crown, anterior		\$0.00	
D2391	Resin-based composite - one surface, posterior		\$45.00	
D2392	Resin-based composite -two surface, posterior		\$55.00	
D2393	Resin-based composite - three surface, posterior		\$65.00	
D2394	Resin-based composite - four or more surface, posterior		\$75.00	
Major Restorative D2510 - D2999				
D2510	Inlay - metallic - one surface		\$75.00	
D2520	Inlay - metallic - two surfaces		\$75.00	
D2530	Inlay - metallic - three surfaces		\$75.00	
D2542	Onlay- metallic- two surfaces		\$75.00	
D2543	Onlay - metallic - three surfaces		\$75.00	
D2544	Onlay metallic - four or more surfaces		\$75.00	
D2610	Inlay - porcelain/ceramic - one surface		\$135.00	
D2620	Inlay - porcelain/ceramic - two surface		\$150.00	
D2630	Inlay - porcelain/ceramic - three or more surfaces		\$160.00	
D2642	Onlay - porcelain/ceramic - two surfaces		\$150.00	
D2643	Onlay - porcelain/ceramic - three surfaces		\$165.00	
D2644	Onlay - porcelain/ceramic - four or more surfaces		\$175.00	
D2650	Inlay - resin-based composite - one surface		\$85.00	
D2651	Inlay - resin-based composite - two surfaces		\$95.00	
D2652	Inlay - resin-based composite - three or more surfaces		\$115.00	
D2662	Onlay - resin-based composite - one surface		\$110.00	
D2663	Onlay - resin-based composite - two surfaces		\$120.00	
D2664	Onlay - resin-based composite - three or more surfaces		\$145.00	
D2710	Crown - resin-based composite (indirect)		\$35.00	
D2712	Crown - 3/4 resin-based composite (indirect)		\$35.00	
D2720	Crown - resin with high noble metal		\$155.00	
D2721	Crown - resin with predominantly base metal		\$55.00	
D2722	Crown - resin with noble metal		\$95.00	
D2740	Crown - porcelain/ceramic		\$195.00	
D2750	Crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal		\$195.00	
D2751	Crown - porcelain fused to predominantly base metal		\$95.00	
D2752	Crown - porcelain fused to noble metal		\$135.00	
D2780	Crown-3/4 cast high noble metal		OP	
D2781	Crown-3/4 cast predominantly base metal		\$70.00	

D2782	Crown-3/4 cast noble metal		OP	
D2783	Crown-3/4 porcelain/ceramic		OP	
D2790	Crown - full cast high noble metal		\$170.00	
D2791	Crown - full cast predominantly base metal		\$70.00	
D2792	Crown – full cast noble metal		\$110.00	
D2794	Crown - titanium		\$195.00	
D2799	Provisional crown		NB	
D2910	Re-cement or re-bond inlay, onlay, veneer, or partial coverage restoration		\$0.00	
D2915	Re-cement or re-bond indirectly prefabricated post and core		\$0.00	
D2920	Re-cement or re-bond crown		\$0.00	
D2921	Reattachment of tooth fragment, incisal edge or cusp		\$0.00	
D2930	Prefabricated stainless steel crown - primary tooth		\$0.00	
D2931	Prefabricated stainless steel crown - permanent tooth		\$0.00	
D2932	Prefabricated resin crown - anterior teeth only		\$15.00	
D2933	Prefabricated stainless steel crown with resin window		\$10.00	
D2934	Prefabricated esthetic coated stainless steel crown – primary tooth		NB	
D2940	Protective restoration		\$0.00	
D2941	Interim therapeutic restoration – primary dentition		\$0.00	
D2949	Restorative foundation for an indirect restoration		\$0.00	
D2950	Core build-up, including any pins		\$50.00	
D2951	Pin retention - per tooth, in addition to restoration		\$0.00	
D2952	Cast post and core in addition to crown		\$0.00	
D2953	Each additional indirectly fabricated post - same tooth		\$0.00	
D2954	Prefabricated post and core in addition to crown		\$0.00	
D2957	Each additional prefabricated post - same tooth		\$0.00	
D2971	Additional procedures to construct new crown under existing partial denture framework		\$19.00	
D2980	Crown repair necessitated by restorative material failure		\$10.00	
D2981	Inlay repair necessitated by restorative material failure		\$10.00	
D2982	Onlay repair necessitated by restorative material failure		\$10.00	
D2983	Veneer repair necessitated by restorative material failure		\$10.00	
Endodontics D3000 - D3999				
D3110	Pulp cap-direct (excluding final restoration)		\$0.00	
D3120	Pulp cap-indirect (excluding final restoration)		\$0.00	
D3220	Therapeutic pulpotomy (excluding final restoration) - removal of pulp coronal to the dentinocemental junction and application of medicament		\$0.00	
D3221	Pulpal debridement, primary and permanent teeth		\$5.00	

D3222	Partial pulpotomy for apexogenesis - permanent tooth with incomplete root development		NB	
D3230	Pulpal therapy (resorbable filling) - anterior, primary tooth (exclude final restoration)		\$5.00	
D3240	Pulpal therapy (resorbable filling) posterior, primary tooth (exclude final restoration)		\$5.00	
D3310	Root canal - anterior (excluding final restoration)		\$45.00	
D3320	Root canal - premolar tooth (excluding final restoration)		\$90.00	
D3330	Endodontic therapy, molar tooth (excluding final restorations)	X	\$205.00	
D3331	Treatment of root canal obstruction; non-surgical access		\$0.00	
D3332	Incomplete endodontic therapy; inoperable, unrestorable or fractured tooth	X	\$45.00	
D3346	Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - anterior	X	\$60.00	
D3347	Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - premolar	X	\$105.00	
D3348	Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - molar	X	\$220.00	
D3351	Apexification/recalcification – initial visit (apical closure/calcify repair of perforations, root resorption, etc.)	X	\$70.00	
D3352	Apexification/recalcification – interim medication replacement	X	\$45.00	
D3353	Apexification/recalcification – final visit (includes completed root canal therapy - apical closure/calcific repair of perforations, root resorption, etc.)	X	\$45.00	
D3410	Apicoectomy - anterior	X	\$0.00	
D3421	Apicoectomy surgery - premolar (first root)	X	\$0.00	
D3425	Apicoectomy surgery molar (first root)	X	\$0.00	
D3426	Apicoectomy (each additional root)	X	\$0.00	
D3427	Periradicular surgery without apicoectomy	X	\$0.00	
D3428	Bone graft in conjunction with periradicular surgery – each additional contiguous tooth in the same surgical site	X	\$195.00	
D3429	Bone graft in conjunction with periradicular surgery – each additional contiguous tooth in the same surgical site	X	\$60.00	
D3430	Retrograde filling - per root	X	\$50.00	
D3450	Root Amputation - per root	X	\$0.00	
D3910	Surgical procedure for isolation of tooth with rubber dam		\$0.00	
D3920	Hemisection (including any root removal), not including root canal therapy	X	\$0.00	
D3950	Canal preparation and fitting of preformed dowel or post		\$0.00	
Periodontics D4000 - D4999				

D4210	Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty - four or more contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant		\$80.00	
D4211	Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty - one to three contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant		\$50.00	
D4212	Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty to allow access for restorative procedure, per tooth		\$50.00	
D4240	Gingival flap procedure, including root planing - four or more contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant	X	\$80.00	
D4241	Gingival flap procedure, including root planing - one to three contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant	X	\$50.00	
D4245	Apically positioned flap	X	\$75.00	
D4249	Crown lengthening - hard/soft tissue	X	\$75.00	
D4260	Osseous surgery (including elevation or a full thickness flap and closure) - four or more contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant	X	\$175.00	
D4261	Osseous surgery (including elevation or a full thickness flap and closure) - one to three teeth per quadrant	X	\$140.00	
D4263	Bone replacement graph – first site in quadrant	X	\$195.00	
D4264	Bone replacement graph – each additional site in quadrant	X	\$60.00	
D4268	Surgical revision procedure, per tooth		\$0.00	
D4270	Pedicle soft tissue graft procedure	X	\$195.00	
D4274	Distal or proximal wedge procedure (when not performed in conjunction with surgical procedures in the same anatomical area)	X	\$45.00	
D4277	Free soft tissue graft procedure (including recipient and donor surgical sites) first tooth, implant, or edentulous tooth position in graft	X	\$195.00	
D4278	Free soft tissue graft procedure (including recipient and donor surgical sites) each additional contiguous tooth, implant, or edentulous tooth position in same graft site	X	\$98.00	
D4341	Periodontal root planing - four or more teeth per quadrant		\$0.00	
D4342	Periodontal root planing - one to three teeth per quadrant		\$0.00	
D4346	Scaling in presence of generalized moderate or severe gingival inflammation – full mouth, after oral evaluation		\$0.00	
D4355	Full mouth debridement to enable a comprehensive oral evaluation and diagnosis on subsequent visit.		\$0.00	
D4910	Periodontal maintenance		\$0.00	
Prosthodontics, removable D5000 - D5899				
D5110	Complete denture, maxillary		\$100.00	

D5120	Complete denture, mandibular		\$100.00	
D5130	Immediate denture, maxillary		\$120.00	
D5140	Immediate denture, mandibular		\$120.00	
D5211	Maxillary partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth)		\$80.00	
D5212	Mandibular partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth)		\$80.00	
D5213	Maxillary partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)		\$120.00	
D5214	Mandibular partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)		\$120.00	
D5221	Immediate maxillary partial denture – resin base (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)		\$96.00	
D5222	Immediate mandibular partial denture – resin base (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)		\$96.00	
D5223	Immediate maxillary partial denture – cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)		\$144.00	
D5224	Immediate mandibular partial denture – cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)		\$144.00	
D5225	Maxillary partial denture - flexible base (including any clasps, rests and teeth)		\$170.00	
D5226	Mandibular partial denture - flexible base (including any clasps, rests and teeth)		\$170.00	
D5410	Adjust complete denture - maxillary		\$0.00	
D5411	Adjust complete denture - mandibular		\$0.00	
D5421	Adjust partial denture - maxillary		\$0.00	
D5422	Adjust partial denture - mandibular		\$0.00	
D5511	Repair broken complete denture base, mandibular		\$15.00	
D5512	Repair broken complete denture base, maxillary		\$15.00	
D5520	Replace missing or broken teeth - complete denture (each tooth)		\$5.00	
D5611	Repair resin partial denture base, mandibular		\$15.00	
D5612	Repair resin partial denture base, maxillary		\$15.00	
D5621	Repair cast partial framework, mandibular		\$15.00	
D5622	Repair cast partial framework, maxillary		\$15.00	
D5630	Repair or replace broken retentive clasping materials – per tooth		\$15.00	
D5640	Replace broken teeth - per tooth		\$5.00	
D5650	Add tooth to existing partial denture		\$5.00	
D5660	Add clasp to existing partial denture - per tooth		\$5.00	
D5670	Replace all teeth and acrylic on cast metal framework (maxillary)		\$75.00	
D5671	Replace teeth and acrylic on cast metal framework (mandibular)		\$75.00	
D5710	Rebase complete maxillary denture		\$35.00	

D5711	Rebase complete mandibular denture		\$35.00	
D5720	Rebase maxillary partial denture		\$35.00	
D5721	Rebase mandibular partial denture		\$35.00	
D5730	Reline complete maxillary denture (chairside)		\$0.00	
D5731	Reline complete mandibular denture (chairside)		\$0.00	
D5740	Reline maxillary partial denture (chairside)		\$0.00	
D5741	Reline mandibular partial denture (chairside)		\$0.00	
D5750	Reline complete maxillary denture (laboratory)		\$35.00	
D5751	Reline complete mandibular denture (laboratory)		\$35.00	
D5760	Reline maxillary partial denture (laboratory)		\$35.00	
D5761	Reline mandibular partial denture (laboratory)		\$35.00	
D5820	Interim partial denture (maxillary)		\$45.00	
D5821	Interim partial denture (mandibular)		\$45.00	
D5850	Tissue conditioning, maxillary		\$0.00	
D5851	Tissue conditioning, mandibular		\$0.00	
Prosthodontics, Fixed D6200 - D6999				
D6205	Pontic – indirect resin-based composite		NB	
D6210	Pontic - cast high noble metal		\$170.00	
D6211	Pontic - cast predominantly base metal		\$70.00	
D6212	Pontic - cast noble metal		\$110.00	
D6214	Pontic - titanium		NB	
D6240	Pontic - porcelain fused to high noble metal		\$195.00	
D6241	Pontic – porcelain fused to high noble metal		\$95.00	
D6242	Pontic – porcelain fused to predominantly base metal		\$135.00	
D6245	Pontic – porcelain/ceramic		\$195.00	
D6250	Pontic - resin with high noble metal		\$155.00	
D6251	Pontic - resin with predominantly base metal		\$55.00	
D6252	Pontic - resin with noble metal		\$95.00	
D6600	Retainer inlay – porcelain/ceramic, two surfaces		\$150.00	
D6601	Retainer inlay - porcelain/ceramic, three or more surfaces		\$160.00	
D6602	Retainer inlay - cast high noble metal, two surfaces		\$100.00	
D6603	Retainer inlay - cast high noble metal, three or more surfaces		\$100.00	
D6604	Retainer inlay - cast predominantly base metal, two surfaces		\$0.00	
D6605	Retainer Inlay - cast predominantly base metal, three or more surfaces		\$0.00	
D6606	Retainer Inlay - cast noble metal, two surfaces		\$40.00	
D6607	Retainer Inlay - cast noble metal, three or more surfaces		\$40.00	
D6608	Retainer Onlay - porcelain/ceramic, two surfaces		\$150.00	
D6609	Retainer Onlay - porcelain/ceramic, three or more surfaces		\$165.00	
D6610	Retainer Onlay - cast high noble metal, two surfaces		\$100.00	
D6611	Retainer Onlay - cast high noble metal, three or more surfaces		\$100.00	

D6612	Retainer Onlay - cast predominantly base metal, two surfaces		\$0.00	
D6613	Retainer Onlay - cast predominantly base metal, three or more surfaces		\$0.00	
D6614	Retainer Onlay - cast noble metal, two surfaces		\$40.00	
D6615	Onlay - cast noble metal, three or more surfaces		\$40.00	
D6720	Retainer Crown - resin fused to high noble metal		\$155.00	
D6721	Retainer Crown - resin with predominantly base metal		\$55.00	
D6722	Retainer Crown - resin with noble metal		\$95.00	
D6740	Retainer Crown – porcelain/ceramic		\$195.00	
D6750	Retainer Crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal		\$195.00	
D6751	Retainer Crown - porcelain fused to predominantly base metal		\$95.00	
D6752	Retainer Crown - porcelain fused to noble metal		\$135.00	
D6780	Retainer Crown - 3/4 cast high noble metal		\$170.00	
D6781	Retainer Crown - 3/4 cast predominantly base metal		\$70.00	
D6782	Retainer Crown - 3/4 cast noble metal		\$110.00	
D6783	Retainer Crown - 3/4 porcelain/ceramic		\$195.00	
D6790	Retainer Crown - full cast high noble metal		\$170.00	
D6791	Retainer Crown - full cast predominantly base metal		\$70.00	
D6792	Retainer Crown - full cast noble metal		\$110.00	
D6930	Re-cement or re-bond fixed partial denture		\$0.00	
D6940	Stress breaker		\$0.00	
D6980	Fixed partial denture repair necessitated by restorative material failure		\$10.00	
Oral Surgery D7000 - D7999				
D7111	Extraction, coronal remnants - primary tooth		\$0.00	
D7140	Extraction, erupted tooth or exposed root (elevation and/or forceps removal)		\$0.00	
D7210	Surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring removal of bone and/or sectioning of tooth, and including elevation of mucoperiosteal flap if indicated		\$15.00	
D7220	Removal of impacted tooth - soft tissue	X	\$25.00	
D7230	Removal of impacted tooth - partially bony	X	\$50.00	
D7240	Removal of impacted tooth - completely bony	X	\$70.00	
D7241	Removal of impacted tooth - completely bony, with unusual surgical complications	X	\$90.00	
D7250	Surgical removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure)	X	\$0.00	
D7251	Coronectomy – intentional partial tooth removal	X	\$90.00	
D7280	Surgical access of an unerupted tooth	X	\$85.00	
D7283	Placement of device to facilitate eruption of impacted tooth	X	\$0.00	
D7286	Incisional biopsy of oral tissue - soft	X	\$0.00	
D7310	Alveoloplasty in conjunction with extractions - four or more teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant		\$0.00	

D7311	Alveoloplasty in conjunction with extractions - one to three teeth or tooth spaces per quadrant		\$0.00	
D7320	Alveoloplasty not in conjunction with extractions - four or more teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant		\$0.00	
D7321	Alveoloplasty not in conjunction with extractions - one to three teeth or tooth spaces per quadrant		\$0.00	
D7450	Removal of benign odontogenic cyst or tumor - lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm		\$0.00	
D7451	Removal of benign odontogenic cyst or tumor - lesion diameter greater than 1.25 cm		\$0.00	
D7471	Removal of lateral exostosis (maxilla or mandible)	X	\$0.00	
D7472	Removal of torus palatinus	X	\$0.00	
D7473	Removal of torus mandibularis	X	\$0.00	
D7510	Incision and drainage of abscess - intraoral soft tissue	X	\$0.00	
D7880	Occlusal orthotic device, by report		NB	
D7960	Frenulectomy – also known as frenectomy or frenotomy – separate procedure not incidental to another procedure	X	\$0.00	
D7970	Excision of hyperplastic tissue – per arch		\$0.00	
D7970	Excision of pericoronal gingiva		\$0.00	
Adjunctive General Services D9000 - D9999				
D9110	Palliative (emergency) treatment of dental pain - minor procedure		\$5.00	
D9210	Local Anesthesia, Regional Block, Trigeminal Block		\$0.00	
D9211	Regional block anesthesia		\$0.00	
D9212	Trigeminal division block anesthesia		\$0.00	
D9215	Local anesthesia in conjunction with operative or surgical procedures		\$0.00	
D9219	Evaluation for moderate sedation, deep sedation or general anesthesia		\$0.00	Covered for children through age 6 or when medically necessary only
D9222	Deep sedation/general anesthesia – first 15 minutes	X	NB \$80.00	Covered for children through age 6 or when medically necessary only
D9223	Deep sedation/general anesthesia- each subsequent 15-minute increment	X	NB \$80.00	Covered for children

				through age 6 or when medically necessary only
D9239	Intravenous moderate (conscious) sedation/analgesia- first 15 minutes	X	NB \$40.00	Covered for children through age 6 or when medically necessary only
D9243	Intravenous moderate (conscious) sedation/analgesia – each subsequent 15-minute increment	X	NB \$40.00	Covered for children through age 6 or when medically necessary only
D9310	Consultation		\$0.00	
D9311	Consultation with a medical health care professional		NB	
D9430	Office visit for observation (during regularly scheduled hours) - no other services performed		\$5.00	
D9440	Office visit - after regularly scheduled hours		\$20.00	
D9450	Case presentation, detailed and extensive treatment planning		\$0.00	
D9943	Occlusal guard adjustment		\$0.00	
D9944	Occlusal guard – hard appliance, full arch		\$95.00	
D9945	Occlusal guard – soft appliance, full arch		\$24.00	
D9946	Occlusal guard – hard appliance, partial arch		\$48.00	
D9951	Occlusal adjustment - limited		\$0.00	
D9952	Occlusal adjustment - complete		\$40.00	
D9972	External bleaching - per arch performed in office		\$125.00	
D9975	External bleaching for home application, per arch		NB	
D9986	Missed appointment		\$10.00	
D9987	Canceled Appointment		\$10.00	
D9991	Dental case management – addressing appointment compliance barriers		NB	
D9992	Dental case management – care coordination		NB	
D9993	Dental case management – motivational interviewing		NB	
D9994	Dental case management – patient education to improve		NB	

Key	
X	= Referable to a specialist
NB	= Not a Benefit on plan
OP	= Optional Treatment
TMJ	=Benefit is covered under TMJ Benefit
Ortho	=Benefit is covered under Ortho Benefit

The DeltaCare Managed Care orthodontic plan is based on a full banded case. A full banded case is treatment where braces are placed on all, or nearly all of the permanent teeth. Other appliances, which may be used in place of braces, do not meet this criterion unless pre-approved by DDWA. Please request a Confirmation of Treatment and Cost to obtain information regarding coverage for other appliances.

CDT Code	Description	DeltaCare Ortho Plan A
D8660	Pre-orthodontic treatment examination to monitor growth and development (Consultation (applied to treatment fee if patient proceeds))	\$25.00
D8660	Records solely for the purpose of Orthodontic treatment (applies to treatment fee if patient proceeds)	\$200.00
D8660	Full mouth radiographs (applied to treatment if patient proceeds)	\$70.00
D8670	Periodic orthodontic treatment visit (Monthly maximum per office visit fee exceeding 24 months)	\$75.00
D8680	Orthodontic retention (removal of appliances, construction and placement of retainer(s))	\$0.00
D8010 D8020 D8030 D8040	Limited Orthodontic treatment	NB
D8070	Comprehensive orthodontic treatment transitional dentition	\$1,600.00
D8080	Comprehensive orthodontic treatment adolescent dentition	\$1,600.00
D8090	Comprehensive orthodontic treatment for the adult dentition	\$2,000.00

Claim Review and Appeal

Confirmation of Treatment and Cost

A Confirmation of Treatment and Cost, also known as a predetermination of benefits, is a request made by your Dentist to DDWA to determine your benefits for a particular service. This Confirmation of Treatment and Cost will provide you and your Dentist with general coverage information regarding your benefits and your potential out-of-pocket cost for services.

A Confirmation of Treatment and Cost is not an authorization for services but a notification of Covered Dental Benefits available at the time the Confirmation of Treatment and Cost is made and is not a guarantee of payment (please refer to the *"Initial Benefits Determination"* section regarding claims requirements).

A standard Confirmation of Treatment and Cost is processed within 15 days from the date of receipt of all appropriate information. If the information received is incomplete DDWA will notify you and your Dentist in writing that additional information is required in order to process the Confirmation of Treatment and Cost. Once the additional information is available your Dentist should submit a new request for a Confirmation of Treatment and Cost to DDWA.

In the event your benefits are changed, terminated, or you are no longer covered under this Plan, the Confirmation of Treatment and Cost is no longer valid. DDWA will make payments based on your coverage at the time treatment is provided.

Urgent Confirmation of Treatment and Cost Requests

Should a Confirmation of Treatment and Cost request be of an urgent nature, whereby a delay in the standard process may seriously jeopardize life, health, the ability to regain maximum function, or could cause severe pain in the opinion of a physician or dentist who has knowledge of the medical condition, DDWA will review the request within 72-hours from receipt of the request and all supporting documentation. When practical, DDWA may provide notice of determination orally with written or electronic confirmation to follow within 72 hours.

Immediate treatment is allowed without a requirement to obtain a Confirmation of Treatment and Cost in an emergency situation subject to the contract provisions.

Initial Benefit Determinations

An initial benefit determination is conducted at the time of claim submission to DDWA for payment, modification or denial of services. In accordance with regulatory requirements, DDWA processes all clean claims within 30 days from the date of receipt. Clean claims are claims that have no defect or impropriety, including a lack of any required substantiating documentation, or particular circumstances requiring special treatment that prevents timely payments from being made on the claim. Claims not meeting this definition are paid or denied within 60 days of receipt.

If a claim is denied, in whole or in part, or is modified, we will send you an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) that will include the following information:

- The specific reason for the denial or modification
- Reference to the specific plan provision on which the determination was based
- Your appeal rights should you wish to dispute the original determination

Appeals of Denied Claims

How to contact us

DDWA will accept notice of an Urgent Care Request or Appeal if made by you, your covered dependent, or an authorized representative by contacting us at the telephone number below or at the following address: Delta Dental of Washington, P.O. Box 75983, Seattle, WA 98175-0983. You may include any written comments, documents or other information that you believe supports your claim. For more information please call 800-650-1583.

Authorized Representative

You may authorize another person to represent you or your child and receive communications from DDWA regarding your specific appeal. The authorization must be in writing and signed by you. If an appeal is submitted by another party without this authorization, a request will be made to obtain a completed Authorized Representative form. The appeal process will not commence until this form is received. Should the form, or any other document confirming the right of the individual to act on your behalf, i.e., power of attorney, not be returned, the appeal will be closed.

Informal Review

If your claim for dental benefits has been completely or partially denied, you have the right to request an informal review of the decision. Either you, or your authorized representative (see above), must submit your request for a review within 180 days from the date your claim was denied (please see your Explanation of Benefits form). A request for a review may be made orally or in writing and include the following information:

- Your name, patient's name (if different) and ID number
- The claim number (from your Explanation of Benefits form)
- The name of the dentist

DDWA will review your request and send you a notice within 14 days of receiving your request. This notice will either be the determination of our review or a notification that we will require an additional 16 days, for a total of 30 days. When our review is completed, DDWA will send you a written notification of the review decision and provide you information regarding any further appeal rights available should the result be unfavorable to you. Upon request, you will be granted access to, and copies of, all relevant information used in making the review decision. Informal reviews of wholly or partially denied claims are conducted by persons not involved in the initial claim determination.

Formal Review

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the informal review, you may request in writing that your claim be reviewed formally by the DDWA Appeals Committee. This Committee includes only persons who were not involved in either the original claim decision or the informal review.

Your request for a review by the Appeals Committee must be made within 90 days of the post-marked date of the letter notifying you of the informal review decision. Your request should include the information noted above plus a copy of the informal review decision letter. You may also submit any other documentation or information you believe supports your case.

The Appeals Committee will review your claim and make a determination within 30 days of receiving your request, and send you a written notification of the review decision. Upon request, you will be granted access to, and copies of, all relevant information used in making the review decision.

Whenever DDWA makes an adverse determination and delay would jeopardize the eligible person's life or materially jeopardize the covered person's health, DDWA shall expedite and process either a written or an oral appeal and issue a decision no later than 72 hours after receipt of the appeal. If the treating Licensed Professional determines that delay could jeopardize the eligible person's health or ability to regain maximum function, DDWA shall presume the need for expeditious review, including the need for an expeditious determination in any independent review consistent with applicable regulation.

Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA)

Federal law requires that should certain qualifying events occur which would have previously terminated coverage, coverage may continue for a period of time on a self-pay basis.

When you terminate for reasons other than gross misconduct, you may continue your dental benefits for up to 18 months by self-paying the required Premium. This option to continue dental benefits terminates if you become eligible for coverage under another group dental plan.

If a dependent no longer meets the eligibility requirements due to the death, divorce, or dissolution of domestic partnership of the employee, or does not meet the age requirement for children, coverage may continue up to 3 years by self-paying the required Premium. This option to continue dental benefits terminates if the dependent becomes eligible for coverage under another group dental plan.

Contact your employer for further clarification and details of how they plan to implement this continuation of coverage for eligible persons.

Coordination of Benefits

This Plan does not coordinate benefits with other plans. If other plans are covering you, this plan will be primary.

Subrogation

If we pay benefits under this policy, and you are paid by someone else for the same procedures we pay for, we have the right to recover what we paid from the excess received by you, after full compensation for your loss is received. Any legal fees for recovery will be pro-rated between the parties based on the percentage of the recovery received. You have to sign and deliver to us any documents relating to the recovery that we reasonably request.

Subscriber Rights and Responsibilities

At Delta Dental of Washington our mission is to provide quality dental benefit products to employers and employees throughout Washington through the largest network of Participating Dentists in the state of Washington. We view our benefit packages as a partnership between Delta Dental of Washington, our subscribers and our participating member Dentists. All partners in this process play an important role in achieving quality oral health services. We would like to take a moment and share our views of the rights and responsibilities that make this partnership work.

You have the right to:

- Participate in decisions about your oral health care.
- Be informed about the oral health options available to you and your family.
- Request information concerning benefit coverage levels for proposed treatments prior to receiving services.
- Have access to specialists when services are required to complete a treatment, diagnosis or when your PCD makes a specific referral for specialty care.
- Contact the Delta Dental of Washington Customer Service Department during established business hours to ask questions about your oral health benefits. Alternatively, information is available on our website at www.DeltaDentalWA.com
- Appeal orally or in writing, decisions or requests regarding your dental benefit coverage. You should expect to have these issues resolved in a timely, professional and fair manner.
- Have your individual health information kept confidential and used only for resolving health care decisions or claims.
- Receive quality care regardless of your gender, race, sexual orientation, marital status, cultural, economic, educational or religious background.

To receive the best oral health care possible, it is your responsibility to:

- Know your benefit coverage and how it works.
- Arrive at the dental office on time or let the dental office know well in advance if you are unable to keep a scheduled appointment. Some offices require 24 hours' notice for appointment cancellations before they will waive service charges.
- Ask questions about treatment options that are available to you regardless of coverage levels or cost.
- Give accurate and complete information about your health status and history and the health status and history of your family to all care providers when necessary.
- Read carefully and ask questions about all forms and documents which you are requested to sign, and request further information about items you do not understand.
- Follow instructions given by your Dentist or their staff concerning daily oral health improvement or post-service care.

- Send requested documentation to Delta Dental of Washington to assist with the processing of claims, Confirmation of Treatment and Cost of or appeals.
- If applicable, pay the dental office the appropriate co-payments amount at time of visit.
- Respect the rights, office policies and property of each dental office you have the opportunity to visit.

Inform your Dentist and your employer promptly of any change to your or a family member's address, telephone, or family status.

Glossary

Alveolar — Pertaining to the ridge, crest or process of bone which projects from the upper and lower jaw and supports the roots of the teeth.

Appeal — An oral or written communication by a subscriber requesting the reconsideration of the resolution of a previously submitted complaint or, in the case of claim determination, the determination to deny, modify, reduce, or terminate payment, coverage, authorization, or provision of health care services or benefits.

Bitewing X-ray — An x-ray that reveals the condition of the top visible part of the upper and lower molar teeth.

Caries — Decay. A disease process initiated by bacterially produced acids on the tooth surface.

Complaint — An oral or written report by a subscriber or authorized representative regarding dissatisfaction with customer service or the availability of a health service.

Covered Dental Benefit - Those dental services which are covered under this plan, subject to the limitations set forth in Benefits Covered By Your Plan.

Crown — A restoration that replaces the entire surface of the visible portion of tooth.

Emergency Dental Condition — The emergent and acute onset of a symptom or symptoms, including severe pain, that would lead a prudent layperson acting reasonably to believe that a dental condition exists that requires immediate dental attention, if failure to provide dental attention would result in serious impairment to oral functions or serious dysfunction of the mouth or teeth, or would place the person's oral health in serious jeopardy.

Emergency Examination — Otherwise covered dental care services medically necessary to evaluate and treat an Emergency Dental Condition.

Endodontics — That branch of dentistry which deals with the diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the dental pulp and tissues around the root end.

Exclusions — Dental services which are not a contract benefit set forth in Benefit Covered By Your Plan and all other services not specifically included as a Covered Dental Benefit set forth in Benefit Covered By Your Plan.

Fluoride — A substance when topically applied or applied to drinking water is effective in resisting tooth decay.

General Anesthesia — A drug or gas which produces unconsciousness and insensibility to pain.

Implant — A graft or insert set firmly onto or deeply into the alveolar area prepared for its insertion. It may support a crown or crowns, a bridge abutment, a partial denture or a complete denture.

Inlay — A dental filling shaped to the form of a cavity and then inserted and secured with cement.

Intravenous (I.V.) Sedation — A form of sedation whereby the patient experiences a lowered level of consciousness, but is still awake and can respond.

Licensed Professional — means an individual legally authorized to perform services as defined in their license. Licensed Professional includes, but is not limited to, denturist, hygienist and radiology technician. Benefits under this Contract will not be denied for any health care service performed by a registered nurse licensed to practice under chapter 18.88 RCW, if first, the service performed was within the lawful scope of such nurse's license, and second, this contract would have provided benefits if such service had been performed by a doctor of medicine licensed to practice under chapter 18.71 RCW.

Lifetime Maximum — The maximum amount DDWA will pay in the specified Covered Dental Benefit class for an insured individual during the time that individual is on this Plan or any other Plan offered by this Employer.

Limitations — Restricting conditions, such as age, period of time covered and waiting periods, under which a group or individual is insured. Dental services which are subject to restricting conditions set forth in Benefits Covered By Your Plan.

Localized delivery of antimicrobial agents — Treating isolated areas of advanced gum disease by placing antibiotics or other germ-killing drugs into the gum pocket. This therapy is viewed as an alternative to gum surgery when conditions are favorable.

Occlusal Adjustment — Modification of the occluding surfaces of opposing teeth to develop harmonious relationships between the teeth themselves and neuromuscular mechanism, the temporomandibular joints and the structure supporting the teeth.

Occlusal Guard — A removable dental appliance — sometimes called a nightguard — that is designed to minimize the effects of gnashing or grinding of the teeth (bruxism). An occlusal guard (nightguard) is typically used at night.

Open Enrollment Period — The annual period in which subscribers can select benefits plans and add or delete eligible dependents.

Palliative Treatment — Services provided for emergency relief of dental pain.

Primary Care Dentist (PCD)— The primary care Dentist selected upon enrollment in the DeltaCare Plan provides all necessary dental care and referrals.

Panorex X-ray — An x-ray system using 2 points of rotation to obtain a panoramic view of the dental arches.

Periodontics — That branch of dentistry which deals with the prevention and treatment of diseases of the bone and soft tissues surrounding the teeth.

Prophylaxis — The control of dental and oral diseases by preventive measures, especially the mechanical cleansing of the teeth.

Prosthodontics — That branch of dentistry which deals with the replacement of missing teeth or oral tissues by artificial means, such as crowns, bridges and dentures.

Restorative — A process used to replace a lost tooth or part, or the diseased portion of one, by artificial means as with a filling, crown, bridge or denture designed to restore proper dental function.

Root Planing — A procedure done to smooth roughened root surfaces.

Sealants — A resinous material designed for application to the surfaces of posterior teeth in order to seal the surface irregularities and prevent tooth decay.

Temporomandibular Joints — The joint just ahead of the ear, upon which the lower jaw swings open and shut, and can also slide forward.

Nondiscrimination and Language Assistance Services

Delta Dental of Washington complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Delta Dental of Washington does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Delta Dental of Washington:

Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

- ◆ Qualified sign language interpreters
- ◆ Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)

Provides free language and service to people whose primary language is not English, such as:

- ◆ Qualified interpreters
- ◆ Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact Delta Dental of Washington's Customer Service at: 1(800)554-1907.

If you believe that Delta Dental of Washington has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with: Isaac Lenox, Compliance/Privacy Officer, PO Box 75983 Seattle, WA 98175, Ph: 1(800)554-1907, TTY: 1-800-833-6384, Fx: (206) 729-5512 or by email at: Compliance@DeltaDentalWA.com. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Isaac Lenox, Compliance/Privacy Officer is available to help you. You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington DC 20201, 1-800-868-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

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Arabic	إن كان لديك أو لدى أي شخص تساعدك أسئلة بخصوص تغطيتك الصحية لدى Delta Dental of Washington، ف لديك الحق في الحصول على المساعدة والمعلومات الضرورية بلغتك من دون أية تكلفة. للتحدث مع المترجم اتصل بـ 1(800) 554-1907.	يحتوي هذا الإشعار معلومات هامة بخصوص طلبك للحصول على تغطية من خلال Delta Dental of Washington. ابحث عن التواريخ الهامة في هذا الإشعار. قد تحتاج إلى اتخاذ إجراء في تواريخ معينة للحفاظ على تغطيتك الصحية أو للمساعدة في دفع التكاليف. لك الحق في الحصول على المساعدة والمعلومات بلغتك من دون أي تكلفة. اتصل بـ 1(800) 554-1907.
Cambodian (Mon-Khmer)	ប្រសិនបើអ្នក ឬនរណាម្នាក់ដែលអ្នក កំពុងតែជួយមានសំណួរអំពីធានា រ៉ាប់រងរបស់អ្នកជាមួយ Delta Dental of Washington អ្នកមានសិទ្ធិទទួល ជំនួយនិងព័ត៌មាននៅក្នុងភាសា របស់អ្នកដោយមិនអស់ប្រាក់។ ដើម្បីនិយាយ ជាមួយអ្នកបកប្រែ សូម 1(800) 554-1907។	សេចក្តីជូនដំណឹងនេះមានព័ត៌មានយ៉ាងសំខាន់អំពីពាក្យសុំ ឬធានារ៉ាប់រងរបស់អ្នកតាមរយៈ Delta Dental of Washington។ សូមយកចិត្តទុកដាក់លើ កាលបរិច្ឆេទណាមួយដែលមានក្នុង សេចក្តីជូន ដំណឹងនេះ។ អ្នកអាចត្រូវបានវិធានការមួយចំនួន មុនថ្ងៃកំណត់ជាក់លាក់ ដើម្បីរក្សាទុកធានារ៉ាប់រង របស់អ្នក ឬទទួលជំនួយចេញថ្លៃ។ អ្នកមានសិទ្ធិ ទទួលជំនួយ និងព័ត៌មាននេះនៅក្នុងភាសា

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<p>Laotian</p>	<p>ຖ້າທ່ານ, ຫຼື ຄົນທີ່ທ່ານກຳລັງຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ, ມີຄຳ ຖາມກ່ຽວກັບ Delta Dental of Washington, ທ່ານມີສິດທີ່ຈະໄດ້ຮັບການຊ່ວຍ ເຫຼືອ ແລະ ຂໍ້ມູນຂ່າວສານນີ້ເປັນພາສາຂອງທ່ານ ບໍ່ມີຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍ. ການໂອ້ນລັກກັບພາສາພາສາ, ໃຫ້ ໂທຫາ 1(800)554-1907.</p>	<p>ການແຈ້ງນິມິດຂໍ້ມູນສຳຄັນ. ການແຈ້ງການນິມິດຂໍ້ມູນສຳຄັນກ່ຽວ ກັບຄຳຮ້ອງສະໝັກ ຫຼື ການຄຸ້ມຄອງຂອງທ່ານໂດຍຜ່ານ Delta Dental of Washington. ເບິ່ງສຳລັບກຳນົດທີ່ສຳຄັນໃນແຈ້ງ ການນີ້. ທ່ານອາດຈະເປັນຕ້ອງໃຊ້ເວລາດຳເນີນການໂດຍ ກຳນົດ ເວລາທີ່ແນ່ນອນຈະຮັກສາການຄຸ້ມຄອງສະເພາ ບຂອງທ່ານ ຫຼື ການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອທີ່ມີຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍ. ທ່ານມີສິດທີ່ຈະໄດ້ຮັບຂໍ້ມູນຂ່າວ ສານນີ້ ແລະ ການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອໃນພາສາຂອງທ່ານທີ່ບໍ່ມີຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າ ຍ. ໂທ 1(800)554-1907.</p>
<p>Punjabi</p>	<p>ਜੇ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ, ਜਾਂ ਜਿਸ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਦੀ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਮਦਦ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ, ਦੇ Delta Dental of Washington ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਬੀਮਾ ਕਵਰੇਜ ਬਾਰੇ ਸਵਾਲ ਹੁੰਦੇ ਹਨ, ਤਾਂ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕੋਲ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਮੁਫਤ ਮਦਦ ਅਤੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੈ। ਇੱਕ ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਏ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਗੱਲ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ, 1(800)554-1907 'ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ।</p>	<p>ਇਸ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਤੁਹਾਡੀ ਐਪਲੀਕੇਸ਼ਨ ਜਾਂ Delta Dental of Washington ਦੇ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਕਵਰੇਜ ਬਾਰੇ ਮਹੱਤਵਪੂਰਣ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਸ਼ਾਮਲ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਸ਼ਾਮਲ ਕਿਸੇ ਮਿਤੀਆਂ ਵੱਲ ਖਾਸ ਧਿਆਨ ਦਿਓ। ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੇ ਬੀਮਾ ਕਵਰੇਜ ਨੂੰ ਕਾਇਮ ਰੱਖਣ ਲਈ ਜਾਂ ਲਾਗਤਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਮਦਦ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਨਿਸ਼ਚਿਤ ਮਿਤੀਆਂ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਕੁਝ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਕਰਨ ਦੀ ਲੋੜ ਹੋ ਸਕਦੀ ਹੈ। ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕੋਲ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਮੁਫਤ ਮਦਦ ਅਤੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੈ। 1(800)554-1907 'ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ।</p>
<p>Russian</p>	<p>Если у вас или лица, которому вы помогаете, имеются вопросы по поводу Delta Dental of Washington, то вы имеете право на бесплатное получение помощи и информации на вашем языке. Для разговора с переводчиком позвоните по телефону 1(800)554-1907.</p>	<p>Настоящее уведомление содержит важную информацию. Это уведомление содержит важную информацию о вашем заявлении или страховом покрытии через Delta Dental of Washington. Посмотрите на ключевые даты в настоящем уведомлении. Вам, возможно, потребуются принять меры к определенным предельным срокам для сохранения страхового покрытия или помощи с расходами. Вы имеете право на бесплатное получение этой информации и помощь на вашем языке. Звоните по телефону 1(800)554-1907.</p>
<p>Spanish</p>	<p>Si usted, o alguien a quien usted está ayudando, tiene preguntas acerca de Delta Dental of Washington, tiene derecho a obtener ayuda e información en su idioma sin costo alguno. Para hablar con un intérprete, llame al 1(800)554-1907.</p>	<p>Este Aviso contiene información importante. Este aviso contiene información importante acerca de su solicitud o cobertura a través de Delta Dental of Washington. Preste atención a las fechas clave que contiene este aviso. Es posible que deba tomar alguna medida antes de determinadas fechas para mantener su cobertura médica o ayuda con los costos. Usted tiene derecho a recibir esta</p>

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Tagalog	Kung ikaw, o ang iyong tinutulangan, ay may mga katanungan tungkol sa Delta Dental of Washington, may karapatan ka na makakuha ng tulong at impormasyon sa iyong wika ng walang gastos. Upang makausap ang isang tagasalin, tumawag sa 1(800)554-1907.	Ang Paunawa na ito ay naglalaman ng mahalagang impormasyon. Ang paunawa na ito ay naglalaman ng mahalagang impormasyon tungkol sa iyong aplikasyon o pagsakop sa pamamagitan ng Delta Dental of Washington. Tingnan ang mga mahalagang petsa dito sa paunawa. Maaring mangailangan ka na magsagawa ng hakbang sa ilang mga itinakdang panahon upang mapanatili ang iyong pagsakop sa kalusugan o tulong na walang gastos. May karapatan ka na makakuha ng ganitong impormasyon at tulong sa iyong wika ng walang gastos. Tumawag sa 1(800)554-1907.
Ukrainian	Якщо у Вас чи у когось, хто отримує Вашу допомогу, виникають питання про Delta Dental of Washington, у Вас є право отримати безкоштовну допомогу та інформацію на Вашій рідній мові. Щоб зв'язатись з перекладачем, задзвоніть на 1(800)554-1907.	Це повідомлення містить важливу інформацію. Це повідомлення містить важливу інформацію про Ваше звернення щодо страхувального покриття через Delta Dental of Washington. Зверніть увагу на ключові дати, вказані у цьому повідомленні. Існує імовірність того, що Вам треба буде здійснити певні кроки у конкретні кінцеві строки для того, щоб зберегти Ваше медичне страхування або отримати фінансову допомогу. У Вас є право на отримання цієї інформації та допомоги безкоштовно на Вашій рідній мові. Дзвоніть за номером телефону 1(800)554-1907.
Vietnamese	Nếu quý vị, hay người mà quý vị đang giúp đỡ, có câu hỏi về Delta Dental of Washington, quý vị sẽ có quyền được giúp và có thêm thông tin bằng ngôn ngữ của mình miễn phí. Để nói chuyện với một thông dịch viên, xin gọi 1(800)554-1907.	Thông báo này cung cấp thông tin quan trọng. Thông báo này có thông tin quan trọng bàn về đơn nộp hoặc hợp đồng bảo hiểm qua chương trình Delta Dental of Washington. Xin xem ngày then chốt trong thông báo này. Quý vị có thể phải thực hiện theo thông báo đúng trong thời hạn để duy trì bảo hiểm sức khỏe hoặc được trợ giúp thêm về chi phí. Quý vị có quyền được biết thông tin này và được trợ giúp bằng ngôn ngữ của mình miễn phí. Xin gọi số 1(800)554-1907.