

It is recommended that anyone 12 months of age or older have a dental exam once every six months; however, some people may need dental exams or services more often. How often you have dental visits depends on your dental history and findings on exams and x-rays.

- · A child's first dental visit should take place after the first tooth appears, but no later than the first birthday.
- · Tooth decay is one of the most common health problems facing infants, children and teens in America.
- · Cavities can occur at any age, but children and teens are especially at risk.
- · Consuming foods or drinks that are high in sugar can make tooth decay worse.

For adults, untreated dental disease can lead to serious health problems such as:

- Tooth loss.
- Problems eating.
- Abscesses (sores).
- Infections that can spread to the head and neck.
- In very rare cases, they can be life threatening.



MDwise uses a company called Delta Dental of Indiana to provide dental services. For any questions regarding eligibility for dental services, finding a dentist, benefits or other questions call Delta Dental toll-free at 800-356-1204. Hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET or 7 a.m to 7 p.m. CT. TTY/TDD users should call 1-800-743-3333 or (711).

- To find a dentist, go to: www.providers4you.
- For full details on your dental benefits, view the member handbook at MDwise.org.



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DENTAL **SERVICES**

FOR HOOSIER HEALTHWISE AND HEALTHY INDIANA PLAN (HIP) MEMBERS















Earn MDwiseREWARDS for dental exams. Go to <u>MDwise.org/MDwiseREWARDS</u> to learn more.

Hoosier Healthwise Benefits

- Two oral exams every 12 months for children under 19 (one exam every 12 months for members 19 and over).
- Teeth cleanings every 6 months for children under 19 (once every 12 months for members 19 and over).
- One complete bite-wing series once every 12 months.
- Full mouth radiograph series or panoramic x-rays once every 36 months.
- · Fillings.
- Crowns and root canals.
- Orthodontia for members through age 20 years based on medical necessity.
- Specialty care.
- Tooth extractions based on medical necessity.
- Partials, full dentures and repairs to both partials and dentures.
- Sedation is available.
- No copays.
- Transportation available.

HIP State Plan Basic, HIP Maternity & HIP State Plan Plus Benefits

- Oral exams and teeth cleanings every 6 months.
- Full mouth radiograph series or panoramic x-rays once every 36 months.
- One complete bite-wing series once every 12 months.
- Two fluoride treatments every 12 months for members through age 20.
- · Fillings.
- · Crowns.
- Root canals through age 20.
- Simple and surgical extractions.
- Accident/injury oral exams.
- Orthodontia for 19 & 20 year olds, based on medical necessity.
- Periodontal services, including scaling and root planning.
- Specialty care.
- Partials, full dentures and repairs to both partials and dentures.
- · Sedation is available.
- \$4 copay for State Plan Basic.
- Transportation available.

HIP Plus Benefits

- Two evaluations and cleanings per person per benefit year.
- · Emergency oral exams.
- Full set of x-rays once every 5 years.
- One complete bite-wing series every 12 months.
- Up to four teeth extractions or fillings per 12 months.
- One crown per year.
- No copays.

HIP Basic Benefits

HIP Basic offers preventive dental care for 19 & 20 year olds in addition to accident/injury dental care for all members.

- Oral exams and teeth cleanings every 6 months.
- Complete bite-wing series every 12 months.
- Full mouth radiograph series or panoramic x-ray series once every 36 months.
- Non-preventive services, \$4 copay.



- It is safe to see the dentist while you are pregnant.
- Untreated gum disease may be associated with pre-term (early) births.
- Good oral hygiene helps prevent gingivitis, a mild form of gum disease that some-times develops during pregnancy.
- Stomach acid from morning sickness or vomiting can cause tooth decay.

Pregnant members in Hoosier Healthwise and HIP Receive the same benefits as stated under the HIP State Plan Plus.