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Watch our video
Learn how dental insurance can protect your long-term health.

Dental insurance

Taking care of your teeth is about more than just covering cavities and cleanings. It also means accounting for more expensive dental work, and your overall health.

With dental insurance, routine preventive care can lead to better overall health. And you'll be able to save money if any extensive dental work is required.

Who is it for?

Everyone should have access to great dental coverage, which is why we offer comprehensive plans that are available through employers as part of your benefit offerings.

What does it cover?

Dental insurance helps to protect your overall oral care. That includes services like preventive cleanings, x-rays, restorative services like fillings, and other more serious forms of oral surgery if you ever need them.

Why should I consider it?

Poor oral health isn't just aesthetic, it's also been linked to conditions including diabetes, heart disease, and strokes. So, while brushing and flossing every day can help keep your teeth clean, nothing should replace regular visits to the dentist.

You will receive these benefits if you meet the conditions listed in the policy.

Staying healthy

Joe visits his dentist for a routine dental cleaning, to take care of his teeth as well as his overall health.

Oral health is about more than just teeth and gums. It's also essential for a range of other health and wellbeing reasons:

Cardiovascular disease: Some research suggests that heart disease, clogged arteries, and infections may be linked to inflammation and infections from oral bacteria.

Osteoporosis: Weak and brittle bones may be linked to tooth loss.

Diabetes: Research shows that people with gum disease find it more difficult to control their blood sugar levels.

Alzheimer's disease: Tooth loss before the age of 35 may be a risk factor for Alzheimer's disease.

All information contained here is from the Mayo Clinic, Oral Health: A Window to Your Overall Health, www.mayoclinic.com. 2018.

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Your dental coverage

PPO plan, you can visit any dentist; but you pay less out-of-pocket when you choose a PPO dentist. Out-of-network benefits are based on a percentile of the prevailing fee data for the dentist's zip code.

Your Dental Plan	**PPO**	
Your Network is	DentalGuard Preferred	
Calendar year deductible	*In-Network*	*Out-of-Network*
Individual	$50	$50
Family limit	3 per family	
Waived for	Preventive	None
Charges covered for you (co-insurance)	*In-Network*	*Out-of-Network*
Preventive Care	100%	100%
Basic Care	80%	80%
Major Care	50%	0%
Orthodontia	Not Covered (applies to all levels)	
Annual Maximum Benefit	$1000	$1000
Lifetime Orthodontia Maximum	Not Applicable	
Dependent Age Limits	26	

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A Sample of Services Covered by Your Plan:

		PPO *Plan pays (on average)*	
		In-network	*Out-of-network*
Preventive Care	Cleaning (prophylaxis)	100%	100%
	Frequency:	Once Every 6 Months	
	Fluoride Treatments	100%	100%
	Limits:	Under Age 14	
	Oral Exams	100%	100%
	Sealants (per tooth)	100%	100%
	X-rays	100%	100%
Basic Care	Anesthesia*	80%	80%
	Fillings‡	80%	80%
	Perio Surgery	80%	80%
	Periodontal Maintenance	80%	80%
	Frequency:	Once Every 6 Months	
	Repair & Maintenance of Crowns, Bridges & Dentures	80%	80%
	Root Canal	80%	80%
	Scaling & Root Planing (per quadrant)	80%	80%
	Simple Extractions	80%	80%
	Surgical Extractions	80%	80%
Major Care	Bridges and Dentures	50%	0%
	Inlays, Onlays, Veneers**	50%	0%
	Single Crowns	50%	0%

This is only a partial list of dental services. Your certificate of benefits will show exactly what is covered and excluded. **For PPO and or Indemnity members, Crowns, Inlays, Onlays and Labial Veneers are covered only when needed because of decay or injury or other pathology when the tooth cannot be restored with amalgam or composite filing material. When Orthodontia coverage is for "Child(ren)" only, the orthodontic appliance must be placed prior to the age limit set by your plan; If full-time status is required by your plan in order to remain insured after a certain age; then orthodontic maintenance may continue as long as full-time student status is maintained. If Orthodontia coverage is for "Adults and Child(ren)" this limitation does not apply. *General Anesthesia – restrictions apply. ‡For PPO and or Indemnity members, Fillings – restrictions may apply to composite fillings.

Manage Your Benefits:

Go to www.Guardianlife.com to access secure information about your Guardian benefits including access to an image of your ID Card. Your on-line account will be set up within 30 days after your plan effective date..

Find A Dentist:

Visit www.Guardianlife.com
Click on “Find A Provider”; You will need to know your plan, which can be found on the first page of your dental benefit summary.

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EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS

- Important Information about Guardian's DentalGuard Indemnity and DentalGuard Preferred Network PPO plans: This policy provides dental insurance only. Coverage is limited to those charges that are necessary to prevent, diagnose or treat dental disease, defect, or injury. Deductibles apply. The plan does not pay for: oral hygiene services (except as covered under preventive services), orthodontia (unless expressly provided for), cosmetic or experimental treatments (unless they are expressly provided for), any treatments to the extent benefits are payable by any other payor or for which no charge is made, prosthetic devices unless certain conditions are met, and services ancillary to surgical treatment. The plan limits benefits for diagnostic consultations and for preventive, restorative, endodontic, periodontic, and prosthodontic services. The services, exclusions and limitations listed above do not constitute a contract and are a summary only. The Guardian plan documents are the final arbiter of coverage. Contract # GP-1-DG2000 et al.
- **PPO and or Indemnity Special Limitation:** Teeth lost or missing before a covered person becomes insured by this plan. A covered person may have one or more congenitally missing teeth or have lost one or more teeth before he became insured by this plan. We won't pay for a prosthetic device which replaces such teeth unless the device also replaces one or more natural teeth lost or extracted after the covered person became insured by this plan. R3-DG2000

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Policy Form # GP-1-DG2000, et al, GP-1-DEN-16