

The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America

A Mutual Company – Incorporated 1860 by the State of New York
New York, New York 10001

SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

This Policy includes pediatric dental services as required under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

The Policy refers to various dollar and percentage amounts, as well as other benefit information that may be specific to Pediatric Dental Benefits. This Schedule summarizes benefit information and the date these benefits take effect. You selected some of these benefits when You applied for this Policy. As Your needs change over the time You own this Policy, You may change some of these benefits without replacing or purchasing a new Policy. Some of the provisions of this Policy require automatic changes. For example, when a Dependent no longer qualifies for coverage under this Policy due to their age, that Dependent’s coverage will terminate.

Please read the entire Policy, along with this Schedule of Benefits, to fully understand all terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions that apply.

POLICYOWNER Refer to Your ID Card
POLICY NUMBER Refer to Your ID Card
EFFECTIVE DATE The Effective Date Approved by Us
POLICY ANNIVERSARIES: The Anniversary of the Effective Date, Each Year.

Cash Deductible Information

Deductible per Insured per Benefit Year
(When 3 Insureds meet the Deductible, no additional Deductibles will be required to be met for that Benefit Year.)

Preferred Provider Benefit Year Cash Deductible:
Group I and Group II Services.....\$75.00
Non-Preferred Provider Benefit Year Cash Deductible:
Group I and Group II Services.....\$75.00

Payment Rates

Preferred Provider Payment Rate for services provided by a DentalGuard Preferred Preferred Provider and Non-Preferred Provider.

Preferred Provider Payment Rate for:
Group I Services 100%
Group II Services 60%
Group III Services 0%
Group IV (Orthodontic) Services 0%

Non-Preferred Provider Payment Rate for:

Group I Services	100%
Group II Services	60%
Group III Services	0%
Group IV (Orthodontic) Services	0%

Maximums and Waiting Periods

Preferred Provider and Non-Preferred Provider Annual Maximum

Annual Maximum per Covered Person	\$1,500.00
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Preferred Provider and Non-Preferred Provider Waiting Periods

Group I Services	None
Group II Services	6 Months

PEDIATRIC DENTAL SCHEDULE FOR COVERED PERSONS UNDER AGE 19

The following schedule information applies to Covered Persons under the age of 19 who are eligible for the Pediatric Dental Services explained below.

Pediatric Dental Services Cash Deductible Information

Deductible per Insured Child per Benefit Year

Preferred Provider Benefit Year Cash Deductible:

Group I, Group II and Group III Services	\$75.00
Group IV (Orthodontic) Services	None

Non-Preferred Provider Benefit Year Cash Deductible:

Group I, Group II and Group III Services	\$75.00
Group IV (Orthodontic) Services	None

Pediatric Dental Services Payment Rates

Preferred Provider Payment Rate for services provided by a DentalGuard Preferred Preferred Provider and Non-Preferred Provider.

Preferred Provider Payment Rates:

Group I Services	100%
Group II Services	50%
Group III Services	50%
Group IV (Orthodontic) Services	50%

Non-Preferred Provider Payment Rates:

Group I Services	100%
Group II Services	50%
Group III Services	50%
Group IV (Orthodontic) Services	50%

Pediatric Dental Services Maximums and Waiting Periods

Preferred Provider and Non-Preferred Provider Annual Maximums:

Group I, Group II, Group III and Group IV (Orthodontics)..... None

Preferred Provider and Non-Preferred Provider Orthodontics Lifetime Maximum..... None

Preferred Provider Out of Pocket Annual Maximum Per Insured Child\$350.00

**Preferred Provider Out of Pocket Annual Maximum For Two or More Insured Children
.....\$700.00**

(The **Preferred Provider Out of Pocket Annual Maximum** will apply each year. Any amount paid for covered pediatric dental services by a Covered Person applies toward satisfaction of the out of pocket maximum. Once the annual out of pocket maximum is reached, Covered Charges for services performed by a Preferred Provider will be reimbursed at 100%.)

Non-Preferred Provider Out of Pocket Annual Maximum None

Preferred Provider and Non-Preferred Provider Waiting Periods:

Group I, Group II, Group III and Group IV (Orthodontics) Services None

How It Works

This Policy is designed to provide high quality dental care while controlling the cost of such care. To do this, this Policy encourages a Covered Person to seek dental care from Dentists and dental care facilities that are under contract with Guardian's dental preferred provider organizations (PPOs), which is called DentalGuard Preferred.

The dental PPO is made up of Preferred Providers in a Covered Person's geographic area. Use of the dental PPO is voluntary. A Covered Person may receive dental treatment from any dental provider he or she chooses. And he or she is free to change providers at any time. When You enroll in this Policy, You and Your covered dependents receive: (1) a dental insurance ID card; and (2) information about current Preferred Providers.

A Covered Person must present his or her ID card when he or she uses a Preferred Provider. Most Preferred Providers prepare necessary claim forms, and submit the forms to Us. We send the Covered Person an explanation of this Policy's benefit payments. But, any benefit payable by Us is sent directly to the Preferred Provider.

What We pay is based on all of the terms of this Policy. Please read this Policy carefully.

A Covered Person may call Guardian at the number shown on his or her ID card should he or she have any questions about this Policy.

Please review the coverage, exclusions and limitations. Some services require prior authorization.

Covered charges are the charges listed in the applicable fee schedule the Preferred Provider Dentist has agreed to accept as payment in full, for the dental services included in the List of Covered Dental Services below.

How to Reach Us

Claim Dept. PO Box 981587 El Paso, TX 7999- 1587	Customer Care Team (844) 561-5600	On the Web www.dentalexchange.guardiandirect.com
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NON-PEDIATRIC DENTAL SERVICES

List Of Covered non-pediatric Dental Services

Group I Services (Diagnostic & Preventive)

Prophylaxis and Fluorides

Prophylaxis (Adult prophylaxis covered age 12 and older): Limited to a total of one prophylaxis or periodontal maintenance procedure (considered under Periodontal Services) in any six consecutive month period. Allowance includes scaling and polishing procedures to remove coronal plaque, calculus and stains. Also see Periodontal Maintenance under Group II Services.

Additional prophylaxis when needed as a result of a medical (i.e., a non-dental) condition: Covered once in any 12 consecutive month period, and only when the additional prophylaxis is recommended by the Dentist and is a result of a medical condition as verified in writing by the Covered Person's medical physician. This does not include a condition which could be resolved by proper oral hygiene or that is the result of patient neglect.

Fluoride treatment, topical application: Limited to Covered Persons under age 19 and to one treatment in any six consecutive month period.

Office Visits, Evaluations and Examination

Comprehensive oral evaluation – limited to once every 36 consecutive months per Dentist. All office visits, oral evaluations, examinations or limited problem focused re-evaluations: Limited to a total of one in any six consecutive month period.

Limited oral evaluation – problem focused or emergency oral evaluation: Limited to a total of one in any six consecutive month period. After-hours office visit or emergency palliative treatment limited to a total of one in any six consecutive month period. Covered only when no other treatment, other than radiographs, is performed in the same visit.

Space Maintainers

Space Maintainers: Limited to Covered Persons under age 16 and limited to initial Appliance only. Covered only when necessary to replace prematurely lost or extracted deciduous teeth. Allowance includes all adjustments in the first six months after insertion, limited to a maximum of one bilateral per arch or one unilateral per quadrant, per lifetime.

- Fixed - unilateral.
- Fixed - bilateral.
- Removable - unilateral.
- Removable - bilateral.

Recementation of space maintainer performed more than 12 months after the initial insertion.

Removal of fixed space maintainer is considered once per quadrant or arch (as applicable) per lifetime.

Fixed and Removable Appliances

Fixed and removable Appliances to inhibit thumbsucking: Limited to Covered Persons under age 14 and limited to initial Appliance only. Allowance includes all adjustments in the first six months after insertion.

Radiographs

Allowance includes evaluation and diagnosis.

Full mouth, complete series or panoramic radiograph: Either but not both of the following procedures, limited to one in any 60 consecutive month period.

- Full mouth series, of at least 14 images including bitewings.
- Panoramic image, maxilla and mandible, with or without bitewing radiographs.

Bitewing images: Limited to either a maximum of four bitewing images or a set (seven - eight images) of vertical bitewings, in one visit, once in any 12 consecutive month period.

Intraoral periapical or occlusal images- single images.

Dental Sealants

Dental Sealants or Preventive Resin Restoration, permanent molar teeth only: Topical application of sealants is limited to the unrestored, caries free, surfaces of permanent molar teeth of Covered Persons under age 16 and limited to one treatment, per tooth, in any 36 consecutive month period.

Group II Services (Basic) Restorative Services

Multiple restorations on one surface will be considered one restoration. Replacement of existing amalgam and resin restorations will only be covered if at least 12 months have passed since the previous restoration was placed if the Covered Person is under age 19, and 36 months have passed since the previous restoration was placed if the Covered Person is age 19 or older.

Amalgam restorations: Allowance includes bonding agents, liners, bases, polishing and local anesthetic.

Resin restorations: Limited to Anterior Teeth only. Coverage for resins on Posterior Teeth is limited to the corresponding amalgam benefit. Allowance includes light curing, acid etching, adhesives, including resin bonding agents, and local anesthetic.

Prefabricated stainless steel crown, prefabricated resin crown and resin composite crown: Limited to once per tooth in any 24 consecutive month period. Prefabricated stainless steel crowns, prefabricated resin crowns and resin based composite crowns are considered to be a temporary or provisional procedure when done within 24 months of a permanent crown. Temporary and provisional crowns are considered to be part of the permanent restoration.

Pin retention, per tooth: Covered only in conjunction with a permanent amalgam or composite restoration, exclusive of restorative material.

Diagnostic Services

Allowance includes examination and diagnosis.

Consultations: Diagnostic consultation with a Dentist other than the one providing treatment, limited to one consultation for each Covered Dental Specialty in any 12 consecutive month period. This dental Plan covers a consultation only when no other treatment, other than radiographs, is performed during the visit.

Diagnostic casts when needed to prepare a treatment plan for three or more of the following performed at the same time in more than one arch: (1) dentures; (2) crowns; (3) bridges; (4) inlays or onlays.

Accession of tissue: Accession of exfoliative cytologic smears are considered when performed in conjunction with a biopsy of tooth related origin. Consultation for oral pathology laboratory is considered if done by a Dentist other than the one performing the biopsy.

Endodontic Services

Allowance includes diagnostic, treatment and final radiographs, cultures and tests, local anesthetic and routine follow-up care, but excludes final restoration.

Pulp capping: Limited to permanent teeth and limited to one pulp cap per tooth, per lifetime.

- Pulp capping, direct.
- Pulp capping, indirect: Includes sedative filling.

Pulpotomy: Only when root canal therapy is not the definitive treatment.

Pulpal debridement.

Pulpal therapy: Limited to primary teeth only.

Root canal treatment.

Root canal retreatment: Limited to once per tooth, per lifetime.

Treatment of root canal obstruction, no surgical access.

Incomplete endodontic therapy, inoperable or fractured tooth.

Internal root repair of perforation defects.

Apexification: Limited to a maximum of three visits.

Apicoectomy: Limited to once per root, per lifetime.

Root amputation: Limited to once per root, per lifetime.

Retrograde filling: Limited to once per root, per lifetime.

Hemisection, including any root removal: Once per tooth.

Periodontal Services

Periodontal maintenance: Limited to a total of one periodontal maintenance or prophylaxis in any six month period. Allowance includes periodontal charting, scaling and polishing. Also see Prophylaxis under Prophylaxis And Fluorides in Group I Services.

Periodontal Services: Allowance includes the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-treatment care. Requires documentation of periodontal disease confirmed by both radiographs and pocket depth probings of each tooth involved.

Scaling and root planing, per quadrant: Limited to once per quadrant in any 24 consecutive month period. Covered when there is radiographic and pocket charting evidence of bone loss.

Full mouth debridement: Limited to once in any 36 consecutive month period. Considered only when no diagnostic preventive , periodontal maintenance procedure, periodontal service or periodontal surgery procedure has been performed in the previous 36 consecutive month period.

Periodontal Surgery

Allowance includes the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-surgical care. Requires documentation of periodontal disease confirmed by both radiographs and pocket depth probings of each tooth involved. Considered when performed to retain teeth.

The treatment listed below is limited to a total of one of following, once per tooth in any 12 consecutive month period.

- Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty, per tooth (less than three teeth).
- Crown lengthening, hard tissue.

The treatment listed below is limited to a total of one of the following, once per quadrant, in any 36 consecutive month period.

- Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty, per quadrant.

- Osseous surgery, including scaling and root planing, flap entry and closure, per quadrant.
- Gingival flap procedure, including scaling and root planing, per quadrant.
- Distal or proximal wedge procedure, not in conjunction with osseous surgery.
- Surgical revision procedure, per tooth.

The treatment listed below is limited to a total of one of the following, once per quadrant in any 36 consecutive month period, when the tooth is present, or when dentally necessary as part of a covered surgical placement of an implant.

- Pedicle or free soft tissue grafts, including donor site.
- Subepithelial connective tissue graft procedure.

The treatment listed below is limited to a total of one of the following, once per area or tooth, per lifetime, when the tooth is present.

- Guided tissue regeneration, resorbable barrier or nonresorbable barrier.
- Bone replacement grafts.

Periodontal Surgery Related

Limited occlusal adjustment: Limited to a total of two visits, covered only when done within a six consecutive month period after covered scaling and root planing or osseous surgery.

Occlusal guards: Covered only when done within a six consecutive month period after osseous surgery, and limited to one per lifetime.

Non-Surgical Extractions

Allowance includes the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-treatment care.

- Uncomplicated extraction, one or more teeth.
- Root removal, non-surgical extraction of exposed roots.

Surgical Extractions

Allowance includes the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-surgical care. **Services listed in this category and related services may be covered by Your medical plan.**

Surgical removal of erupted teeth, involving tissue flap and bone removal.

Surgical removal of residual tooth roots.

Surgical removal of impacted teeth.

Other Oral Surgical Procedures

Allowance includes diagnostic and treatment radiographs, the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-surgical care. **Services listed in this category and related services may be covered by Your medical plan.**

Alveoloplasty, per quadrant.

Removal of exostosis, per site.

Incision and drainage of abscess.

Frenulectomy, frenectomy, frenotomy.

Biopsy and examination of tooth related oral tissue.

Brush biopsy

Surgical exposure of impacted or unerupted tooth to aid eruption.

Excision of tooth related tumors, cysts and neoplasms.

Excision or destruction of tooth related lesion(s).
Excision of hyperplastic tissue.
Excision of pericoronal gingiva, per tooth.
Oroantral fistula closure.
Sialolithotomy.
Sialodochoplasty.
Closure of salivary fistula. Excision of salivary gland.
Maxillary sinusotomy for removal of tooth fragment or foreign body.
Vestibuloplasty.
TMJ and Craniomandibular Disorders: Diagnostic, non-surgical and surgical treatment of temporomandibular and craniomandibular joint disorders. Medical charges for the treatment of TMJ or craniomandibular joint disorders is not covered.

Other Services

General anesthesia, intramuscular sedation, intravenous sedation, non-intravenous sedation or inhalation sedation, nitrous oxide, when administered in connection with covered periodontal surgery, surgical extractions, the surgical removal of impacted teeth, apicoectomies, root amputations and services listed under Other Surgical Procedures.

Injectable antibiotics needed solely for treatment of a dental condition.

Waiting Periods For Certain Services

The following services when furnished by a Preferred Provider or Non-Preferred Provider are not considered covered charges during the waiting period shown in the Schedule of Benefits:

Group II Services

The services shown above are not covered charges under this Policy, and cannot be used to meet this Policy's Deductibles.

Exclusions

We will not pay for:

- Treatment for which no charge is made. This usually means treatment furnished by: (1) the Covered Person's employer, labor union or similar group, in its dental or medical department or clinic; (2) a facility owned or run by any governmental body; and (3) any public program, except Medicaid, paid for or sponsored by any governmental body.
- Treatment needed due to: (1) an on-the-job or job-related Injury; or (2) a condition for which benefits are payable by Worker's Compensation or similar laws.
- Any procedure or treatment method which does not meet professionally recognized standards of dental practice or which is considered to be experimental in nature.
- Any procedure performed in conjunction with, as part of, or related to a procedure which is not covered by this Plan.
- Any service furnished solely for cosmetic reasons, unless this Plan provides benefits for a specific cosmetic services. Excluded cosmetic services include but are not limited to: (1) characterization and personalization of a Dental Prosthesis; and (2) odontoplasty.
- Maxillofacial prosthetics that repair or replace facial and skeletal anomalies, maxillofacial surgery, orthognathic surgery or any oral surgery requiring the setting of a fracture or dislocation; that is incidental to or results from a medical condition.
- Educational services, including, but not limited to: (1) oral hygiene instruction; (2) plaque control; (3) tobacco counseling; or (4) diet instruction.

- Duplication of radiographs, the completion of claim forms, OSHA or other infection control charges.
- Any restoration, procedure, Appliance or prosthetic device used solely to: (1) alter vertical dimension; (2) restore or maintain occlusion; (3) treat a condition necessitated by attrition or abrasion; or (4) splint or stabilize teeth for periodontal reasons.
- Bite registration or bite analysis.
- The use of local anesthetic.
- Cephalometric radiographs, oral/facial images, including traditional photographs and images obtained by intraoral camera.
- Orthodontic Treatment, unless the benefit provision provides specific benefits for Orthodontic Treatment.
- Prescription medication.
- Desensitizing medicaments and desensitizing resins for cervical and/or root surface.
- Pulp vitality tests or caries susceptibility tests.
- The localized delivery of antimicrobial agents via a controlled release vehicle into diseased crevicular tissue.
- Tooth transplants.
- Evaluations and consultations for non-covered services, or detailed and extensive oral evaluations.
- Any service or procedure associated with the placement, prosthodontic restoration or maintenance of a dental implant and any incremental charges to other covered services as a result of the presence of a dental implant.
- Treatment of congenital or developmental malformations, or the replacement of congenitally missing teeth.

PEDIATRIC DENTAL SERVICES FOR COVERED PERSONS UNDER AGE 19

List Of Covered pediatric Dental Services

The list below provides the Pediatric Dental Services required by your State.

Group I Services (Diagnostic & Preventive)

Prophylaxis and Fluorides

Prophylaxis: Limited to a total of two prophylaxis or periodontal maintenance procedure (considered under Periodontal Services) in a calendar year. Allowance includes scaling and polishing procedures to remove coronal plaque, calculus and stains.

Additional prophylaxis when needed as a result of a medical (i.e., a non-dental) condition: Covered once in any 12 consecutive month period, and only when the additional prophylaxis is recommended by the Dentist and is a result of a medical condition as verified in writing by the Covered Person's medical physician. This does not include a condition which could be resolved by proper oral hygiene or that is the result of patient neglect.

Fluoride treatment, topical application: Limited to two treatments in a calendar year.

Office Visits, Evaluations and Examination

All office visits, oral evaluations, examinations or limited problem focused re-evaluations: Limited to a total of two in a calendar year.

Limited oral evaluation – problem focused or emergency oral evaluation: Limited to a total of two in a calendar year.

After-hours office visit or emergency palliative treatment.

Space Maintainers

Space Maintainers. Covered only when necessary to replace prematurely lost or extracted deciduous teeth.

- Fixed - unilateral.
- Fixed - bilateral.
- Removable - unilateral.
- Removable - bilateral.

Recementation of space maintainer.

Removal of fixed space maintainer.

Radiographs

Allowance includes evaluation and diagnosis.

Full mouth, complete series or panoramic radiograph: Either but not both of the following procedures, limited to one in any 60 consecutive month period.

- Full mouth series, of at least 14 images including bitewings.
- Panoramic image, maxilla and mandible, with or without bitewing radiographs.

Bitewing images: Limited to either a maximum of four bitewing images or a set (seven - eight images) of vertical bitewings, in one visit, twice in a calendar year.

Intraoral periapical or occlusal images- single images.

Dental Sealants

Dental Sealants or Preventive Resin Restoration: Topical application of sealants is limited to the unrestored, caries free, surfaces of permanent molar teeth. Limited to one treatment, per tooth, in any 36 consecutive month period.

Group II Services (Basic) Restorative Services

Amalgam restorations: Allowance includes bonding agents, liners, bases, polishing and local anesthetic.

Resin restorations: Limited to Anterior Teeth only. Coverage for resins on Posterior Teeth is limited to the corresponding amalgam benefit. Allowance includes light curing, acid etching, adhesives, including resin bonding agents, and local anesthetic.

Prefabricated stainless steel crown, prefabricated resin crown and resin composite crown: Limited to once per tooth in any 60 consecutive month period.

Pin retention, per tooth: Covered only in conjunction with a permanent amalgam or composite restoration, exclusive of restorative material.

Group III Services (Major) Group III Restorative Services

Crowns, inlays, onlays, labial veneers and crown buildups are covered only when needed because of decay or Injury, and only when the tooth cannot be restored with amalgam or resin based composite filling material. Post and cores are covered only when needed due to decay or Injury. Allowance includes insulating bases, temporary or provisional restorations and associated gingival involvement. Temporary Appliances older than one year are considered be a permanent Appliance. Limited to permanent teeth only. Also see Exclusions sections for replacement and limitations. Single Crowns:

- Resin with metal.
- Porcelain.
- Porcelain with metal.
- Full cast metal (other than stainless steel).
- Titanium.
- 3/4 cast metal crowns.
- 3/4 porcelain crowns.

Inlays.

Onlays, including inlay.

Labial veneers.

Posts and buildups: Only when done in conjunction with a covered unit of crown or bridge and only when necessitated by substantial loss of natural tooth structure.

- Cast post and core in addition to a unit of crown or bridge, per tooth.
- Prefabricated post and core in addition to a unit of crown or bridge, per tooth.
- Crown or core buildup, including pins.

Implant supported prosthetics: Allowance includes the treatment plan and local anesthetic, when done in connection with a covered surgical placement of an implant on the same tooth.

- Abutment supported crown.
- Implant supported crown.
- Abutment supported retainer for fixed partial denture.
- Implant supported retainer for fixed partial denture.
- Implant/abutment supported removable denture for completely edentulous arch.
- Implant/abutment supported removable denture for partially edentulous arch.
- Implant/abutment supported fixed denture for completely edentulous arch.
- Implant/abutment supported fixed denture for partially edentulous arch.
- Dental implant supported connecting bar.
- Prefabricated abutment.
- Custom abutment.

Implant services: Allowance includes the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-surgical care. The number of implants We cover is limited to the number of teeth extracted in the same area while the person is covered under this Plan. Also, see the Special Limitations section and Exclusions.

- Surgical placement of implant body, endosteal implant.
- Surgical placement, eposteal implant.
- Surgical placement transosteal implant.

Other implant services:

- Bone replacement graft for ridge preservation, per site, when done in conjunction with a covered surgical placement of an implant in the same site: Limited to once per tooth, per lifetime.
- Radiographs/surgical implant index: Limited to once per arch in any 24 month period.
- Repair implant supported prosthesis.
- Repair implant abutment.
- Implant removal.

Prosthodontic Services

Specialized techniques and characterizations are not covered. Allowance includes insulating bases, temporary or provisional restorations and associated gingival involvement. Limited to permanent teeth only. Also, see the Special Limitations section and Exclusions.

Fixed bridges: Each abutment and each pontic makes up a unit in a bridge.

Bridge abutments:

- Resin with metal
- Porcelain
- Porcelain with metal
- Full cast metal
- Titanium
- 3/4 cast metal

- 3/4 porcelain

Bridge Pontics:

- Resin with metal
- Porcelain
- Porcelain with metal.
- Full cast metal
- Titanium

Dentures: Allowance includes all adjustments and repairs done by the Dentist furnishing the denture in the first six consecutive months after installation and all temporary or provisional dentures. Temporary or provisional dentures, stayplates and interim dentures older than one year are considered to be a permanent Appliance.

Complete or immediate dentures, upper or lower.

Partial dentures: Allowance includes base, clasps, rests and teeth.

- Upper, resin base, including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth.
- Upper, cast metal framework with resin denture base, including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth.
- Lower, resin base, including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth.
- Lower, cast metal framework with resin denture base, including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth.
- Interim partial denture (stayplate), upper or lower, covered on Anterior Teeth only.
- Removable unilateral partial, one piece cast metal, including clasps and teeth.

Simple stress breakers, per unit.

Crown and Prosthodontic Restorative Services

Crown and bridge repairs: Allowance based on the extent and nature of damage and the type of material involved.

Recementation.

- Inlay or onlay.
- Crown.
- Bridge.

Adding teeth to partial dentures to replace extracted natural teeth.

Denture repairs: Allowance based on the extent and nature of damage and on the type of materials involved.

- Denture repairs, metal.
- Denture repairs, acrylic.
- Denture repair, no teeth damaged.
- Denture repair, replace one or more broken teeth.
- Replacing one or more broken teeth, no other damage.

Denture rebase, full or partial denture: Limited to once per denture in any 36 consecutive month period. Denture rebases done within 6 months are considered to be part of the denture

placement when the rebase is done by the Dentist who furnished the denture. Limited to rebase done more than 6 consecutive months after the insertion of the denture.

Denture relines, full or partial denture: Limited to once per denture in any 36 consecutive month period. Denture rebases done within 6 months are considered to be part of the denture placement when the relines is done by the Dentist who furnished the denture. Limited to rebase done more than 6 consecutive months after the insertion of the denture.

Denture adjustments: Denture adjustments done within 6 months are considered to be part of the denture placement when the adjustment is done by the Dentist who furnished the denture. Limited to adjustments that are done more than 6 consecutive months after a denture rebase, denture relines or the initial insertion of the denture.

Tissue conditioning: Tissue conditioning done within 12 months is considered to be part of the denture placement when the tissue conditioning is done by the Dentist who furnished the denture.

Other Services

General anesthesia, intramuscular sedation, intravenous sedation, non-intravenous sedation or inhalation sedation, nitrous oxide, when administered in connection with covered periodontal surgery, surgical extractions, the surgical removal of impacted teeth, apicoectomies, root amputations, surgical placement of an implant and services listed under Other Surgical Procedures.

Endodontic Services

Pulpotomy: Only when root canal therapy is not the definitive treatment.

Pulpal debridement.

Pulpal therapy: Limited to primary teeth only.

Root canal treatment

Root canal retreatment.

Treatment of root canal obstruction, no surgical access.

Incomplete endodontic therapy, inoperable or fractured tooth.

Internal root repair of perforation defects.

Apexification.

Apicoectomy.

Root amputation.

Retrograde filling.

Hemisection, including any root removal.

Periodontal Services

Periodontal maintenance: Limited to a total of four periodontal maintenance or prophylaxis in a calendar year. Allowance includes periodontal charting, scaling and polishing.

Periodontal Services: Allowance includes the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-treatment care. Requires documentation of periodontal disease confirmed by both radiographs and pocket depth probings of each tooth involved.

Scaling and root planing, per quadrant: Limited to once per quadrant in any 24 consecutive month period. Covered when there is radiographic and pocket charting evidence of bone loss.

Periodontal Surgery

Allowance includes the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-surgical care. Requires documentation of periodontal disease confirmed by both radiographs and pocket depth probings of each tooth involved. Considered when performed to retain teeth.

The treatment listed below is limited to, once per quadrant, in any 36 consecutive month period.

- Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty, per quadrant.
- Osseous surgery, including scaling and root planing, flap entry and closure, per quadrant.
- Gingival flap procedure, including scaling and root planing, per quadrant.
- Distal or proximal wedge procedure, not in conjunction with osseous surgery.
- Surgical revision procedure, per tooth.
- Pedicle or free soft tissue grafts, including donor site.
- Subepithelial connective tissue graft procedure.
- Guided tissue regeneration, resorbable barrier or nonresorbable barrier.
- Bone replacement grafts.

Periodontal Surgery Related

Limited occlusal adjustment: Limited to one per quadrant in any 36 consecutive month period.

Non-Surgical Extractions

Allowance includes the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-treatment care.

- Uncomplicated extraction, one or more teeth.
- Root removal, non-surgical extraction of exposed roots.

Surgical Extractions

Allowance includes the treatment plan, local anesthetic and post-surgical care. **Services listed in this category and related services may be covered by Your medical plan.**

Surgical removal of erupted teeth, involving tissue flap and bone removal.

Surgical removal of residual tooth roots.

Surgical removal of impacted teeth.

TMJ and Craniomandibular Disorders

Diagnostic, non-surgical and surgical treatment of temporomandibular and craniomandibular joint disorders. Medical charges for the treatment of TMJ or craniomandibular joint disorders is not covered.

Group IV Services (Orthodontics)

Orthodontic Services

Prior authorization is required for Orthodontic Services. Orthodontic Services are covered when needed to due to severe, dysfunctional, handicapping malocclusion.

- Orthodontic records includes exams, x-rays, diagnostic photographs, diagnostic casts or cephalometric films.
- Limited Orthodontic Treatment, interceptive Orthodontic Treatment, or comprehensive Orthodontic Treatment, including fabrication and insertion of any and all fixed Appliances and periodic visits. Minor treatment to control harmful habits.

- Orthodontic retention, including any and all necessary fixed and removable appliances and related visits: limited to initial Appliance(s) only.

A covered charge for Orthodontic Treatment is incurred on the date the Active Orthodontic Appliance is first placed.

Treatment Plan

A treatment plan should always be sent to us before Orthodontic Treatment starts.

How We Pay Benefits for Orthodontic Services

Using the Covered Person's original treatment plan, we calculate the total benefit we will pay. We divide the benefit into equal payments, which we will spread out over the shorter of: (a) the proposed length of treatment; or (b) two years.

We make the initial payment when the active orthodontic appliance is first placed. We make further payments at the end of each subsequent three month period, upon receipt of verification of ongoing treatment. But, treatment must continue and the Covered Person must remain covered by this Plan.

We don't pay for orthodontic charges incurred by a Covered Person prior to being covered by this plan. We limit what we pay for Orthodontic Treatment started prior to a Covered Person being covered by this plan to charges determined to be incurred by the Covered Person while covered by this Plan. Based on the original treatment Plan, We determine the portion of charges incurred by the Covered Person prior to being covered by this Plan, and deduct them from the total charges. What we pay is based on the remaining charges. We limit what we consider of the proposed treatment plan to the shorter of the proposed length of treatment, or two years from the date the Orthodontic Treatment started.

The negotiated discounted fees for orthodontics performed by a Preferred Provider include: (a) treatment plan and records, including initial, interim and final records; (b) orthodontic retention, including any and all necessary fix and removable appliances and related visits; and (c) limited, interceptive and comprehensive orthodontic treatment, with associated: (i) fabrication and insertion of any and all fixed appliances; and (ii) periodic visits.

There is a separate negotiated discounted fee for Orthodontic Treatment which extends beyond 24 consecutive months.

The negotiated discounted fee for orthodontics performed by a Preferred Provider does not include: (a) any incremental charges for orthodontic appliances made with clear, ceramic, white lingual brackets or other optional material; (b) procedures, appliances or devices to guide minor tooth movement or to correct harmful habits; (c) retreatment of orthodontic cases, or changes in Orthodontic Treatment necessitated by any kind of accident; (d) replacement or repair of orthodontic appliances damaged due to the neglect of the patient; and (e) orthodontic treatment started before the member was eligible for orthodontic benefits under this Plan.

Exclusions

The Exclusions listed here apply to Covered Persons under the age of 19.

We will not pay for:

- Treatment for which no charge is made. This usually means treatment furnished by: (1) the Covered Person's employer, labor union or similar group, in its dental or medical department or clinic; (2) a facility owned or run by any governmental body; and (3) any public program, except Medicaid, paid for or sponsored by any governmental body.
- Treatment needed due to: (1) an on-the-job or job-related Injury; or (2) a condition for which benefits are payable by Worker's Compensation or similar laws.
- Any procedure or treatment method which does not meet professionally recognized standards of dental practice or which is considered to be experimental in nature.

- Any procedure performed in conjunction with, as part of, or related to a procedure which is not covered by this Plan.
- Any service furnished solely for cosmetic reasons. Excluded cosmetic services include but are not limited to: (1) characterization and personalization of a Dental Prosthesis; and (2) odontoplasty.
- Maxillofacial prosthetics that repair or replace facial and skeletal anomalies, maxillofacial surgery, orthognathic surgery or any oral surgery requiring the setting of a fracture or dislocation; that is incidental to or results from a medical condition.
- Replacing an existing Appliance or Dental Prosthesis with a like or unlike Appliance or Dental Prosthesis unless: (1) it is at least 60 months old and is no longer usable; or (2) it is damaged while in the Covered Person's mouth in an Injury suffered while covered, and cannot be made serviceable.
- Educational services, including, but not limited to: (1) oral hygiene instruction; (2) plaque control; (3) tobacco counseling; or (4) diet instruction.
- Duplication of radiographs, the completion of claim forms, OSHA or other infection control charges.
- Any restoration, procedure, Appliance or prosthetic device used solely to: (1) alter vertical dimension; (2) restore or maintain occlusion; (3) treat a condition necessitated by attrition or abrasion; or (4) splint or stabilize teeth for periodontal reasons.
- Bite registration or bite analysis.
- Precision attachments and the replacement of part of a: (1) precision attachment; or (2) magnetic retention or overdenture attachment.
- Replacement of a lost, missing or stolen Appliance or Dental Prosthesis or the fabrication of a spare Appliance or Dental Prosthesis.
- The replacement of extracted or missing third molars/wisdom teeth.
- Overdentures and related services, including root canal therapy on teeth supporting an overdenture.
- A fixed bridge replacing the extracted portion of a hemisected tooth or the placement of more than one unit of crown and/or bridge per tooth.
- Any endodontic, periodontal, crown or bridge abutment procedure or Appliance performed for a tooth or teeth with a guarded, questionable or poor prognosis.
- Temporary or provisional Dental Prosthesis or Appliances except interim partial dentures/stayplates to replace Anterior Teeth extracted while covered under this Plan.
- The use of local anesthetic.
- Cephalometric radiographs, oral/facial images, including traditional photographs and images obtained by intraoral camera.
- Orthodontic Treatment that is not medically necessary.
- Prescription medication.
- Desensitizing medicaments and desensitizing resins for cervical and/or root surface.
- Pulp vitality tests or caries susceptibility tests.
- The localized delivery of antimicrobial agents via a controlled release vehicle into diseased crevicular tissue.



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For Individual Coverage, please call 844-561-5600
For TTY/TDD, Dial 7-1-1

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The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America
10 Hudson Yards
New York, NY 10001
212-598-8000

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By mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue
SW Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019
1-800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>

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