Medi-Cal Covers Dental Care for Seniors

A Healthy Smile Never Gets Old

Healthy teeth and gums are an important part of our overall health. As we age, however, changes in our body increase our risk for developing dental conditions like cavities and gum disease. Practicing these good oral health habits can help keep you and your smile healthy:

Brush your teeth twice a day and floss daily.

If you have dentures, clean them daily with cleaners made for dentures. Remember to brush your gums with a soft toothbrush.

Eat a healthy, well-balanced diet.

See the dentist for a check-up once a year.

As a Medi-Cal member, your benefits include dental coverage at little or no cost to you. Even if you have Medicare or Medicare Advantage, Medi-Cal can cover dental benefits not covered by Medicare. You are covered for these common services:

- Dental exams (every 12 months)
- Teeth cleaning (every 12 months)
- Scaling and root planing
- Fluoride varnish (every 12 months)
- X-rays
- Fillings
- Crowns*
- Root canals
- Partial and full dentures
- Denture relines
- Tooth removal
- Emergency services

Crowns on molars or premolars (back teeth) may be covered in some cases.

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