

# Oral Health Care Benefits for Children and Young Adults

## A healthy mouth helps you have a healthy body

Dentists have known for a long time that having a healthy mouth helps you have a healthy body. Regular dental care for your child is important to maintain excellent health. We want to remind you that your child has dental benefits through SKYGEN USA. Your child can go to any dentist in the SKYGEN USA network.

## Schedule a dental visit every 6 months

Schedule a dental visit by calling your dentist or Member Services at 1-800-822-2447 (TTY 7-1-1).

## Some common questions and answers about dental benefits:

### When should my child go to the dentist?

Take your baby to a pediatric dentist between when their teeth start to show and their first birthday. First teeth usually appear at around 6 months of age.

### How often should my child go to the dentist?

Children should go at least twice a year, six months apart. A dentist or your child's primary doctor may recommend that your child should go more if they find dental problems.



**Remember:** Dental disease can affect you at any age and can begin attacking teeth as soon as they appear. The earlier your child begins visiting the dentist, the better to help your child be cavity-free.

## Do we need a referral from my child's doctor for a dental visit?

Your child does not need a letter from your doctor to have visit with a dentist. However, your child's doctor can assist you in finding a dentist.

## What services are covered?

| Covered services up through age 21 - when medically necessary                    |
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| Sealants   |
| Checkups   |
| Cleanings  |
| Fillings   |
| Fluoride treatments (topical fluoride varnish can also be done by a PCP or CRNP) |
| X-rays   |
| Dental emergencies   |
| Dental surgical procedures   |
| Extractions (tooth removals)   |

## Covered services up through age 21 – when medically necessary

Please note the below services require prior authorization (permission from the health plan) before your dentist performs them.\* Please reach out to member services for additional assistance:

• **1-800-822-2447**, TTY 7-1-1 (CHIP)

Anesthesia (requires prior authorization)

Orthodontics (braces) (requires prior authorization)

If braces were put on before the age of 21, we'll cover services until they're completed or age 23, whichever comes first, as long as the patient remains eligible for Medical Assistance.\*

Dentures / Partial Dentures (requires prior authorization)

Periodontal services (requires prior authorization)

Root canals (requires prior authorization)

Crowns (requires prior authorization)

\*Call member services for more information.

## What is my next step?

Call your child's dentist and schedule a dental visit. For more information on your dental benefits, or to make an appointment, just call Member Services at 1-800-822-2447 or (TTY 7-1-1).



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