# BlueCare Dental Enhanced Benefit™

**Enhanced Dental Benefits for Special Health Conditions** 



Do you have heart disease or diabetes? Or are you pregnant? Poor dental health can complicate these conditions...and evidence shows that unmanaged diabetes can also worsen an existing periodontal condition. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois (BCBSIL) offers additional dental benefits that can keep you healthier and reduce your overall health care costs by lowering the chance of more serious complications.

#### What Does the Program Offer?

The program helps reduce financial barriers to receiving additional dental care.

If you have heart disease, diabetes or are pregnant, the Enhanced Benefit program offers an additional one of the following after your regular benefits have been used:

SIMPLE DENTAL SERVICES CAN HELP MANAGE YOUR HEALTH CONDITIONS AND SAVE MONEY, TOO.



#### **ROUTINE CLEANING**

PERIODONTAL MAINTENANCE CLEANING

#### BlueCare Dental Connection<sup>5M</sup>

The Enhanced Benefit program works with BlueCare Dental Connection, providing tips and information to help you learn about dental health.

BlueCare Dental Connection provides:

- Targeted mailings/emails to teach you about the link between gum disease and other health conditions
- 24/7 use of the online Dental Wellness Center®, which provides facts and tools to help you learn about dental care\*

To access the Dental Wellness Center, log in to Blue Access for Members<sup>SM</sup> at **bcbsil.com** and select the **Coverage** tab on the dashboard. Under that, select **Coverage and Benefits**, and then **Dental**. Click on the **Dental Wellness Center** link, and you can:

- Ask dental questions through Ask a Dentist
- Find a dentist using Provider Finder®
- Search the **Dental Dictionary** to find the definitions of common dental terms

Call the number on the back of your ID card to learn more about the BlueCare Dental Enhanced Benefit program.

<sup>\*</sup>The Dental Wellness Center is an online resource offered by Go2Dental. Go2Dental is an independent company contracted with Dental Network of America, LLC, the administrator of BCBSIL dental products.



## BlueCare Dental PPO<sup>SM</sup> Voluntary

Plan ID: DINHR53

This information only provides a summary of the benefits for this Dental Plan. Please refer to your Dental Benefit Booklet for additional benefit information. The Deductibles, Coinsurance and Benefit Period Maximum shown below are subject to change as permitted by applicable law.

### Summary of Dental Benefits

Program Basics	Contracting Dentist	Non-Contracting Dentist**
Benefit Period Maximum	\$1,500	
Deductible	\$50 Individual/\$150 Family	\$50 Individual/\$150 Family
Covered Services		
Diagnostic Evaluations Periodic oral evaluations Problem focused oral evaluations Comprehensive oral evaluations	100% (Deductible does not apply)	100% (Deductible does not apply)
Preventive Services Prophylaxis (cleanings) Topical fluoride applications	100% (Deductible does not apply)	100% (Deductible does not apply)
Diagnostic Radiographs Full-mouth and panoramic films Bitewing films Periapical films	100% (Deductible does not apply)	100% (Deductible does not apply)
Miscellaneous Preventive Services Sealants Space maintainers	100% (Deductible does not apply)	100% (Deductible does not apply)
Basic Restorative Services  Amalgams Resin-based composite restorations	80%	80%
Non-Surgical Extractions  Removal of retained coronal remnants  Removal of erupted tooth or exposed root	80%	80%
Non-Surgical Periodontal Services Periodontal scaling and root planing Full-mouth debridement Periodontal maintenance procedures	80%	80%
Adjunctive Services  Palliative treatment (emergency)  Deep sedation / general anesthesia	80%	80%
Endodontic Services  Therapeutic pulpotomy and pulpal debridement Root canal therapy Apexification/recalcification	80%	80%

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Covered Services (continued)		
Oral Surgery Services Surgical tooth extractions Alveoloplasty and vestibuloplasty Excision of benign odontogenic tumor/cyst Excision of bone tissue Incision and drainage of an intraoral abscess	80%	80%
Surgical Periodontal Services Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty and gingival flap procedures Clinical crown lengthening Osseous surgery Osseous grafts Soft tissue grafts/allografts Distal or proximal wedge procedure	80%*	80%*
Major Restorative Services Single crown restorations Inlay/onlay restorations Labial veneer restorations Crowns placed over implants	50%*	50%*
Prosthodontic Services Complete and removable partial dentures Denture reline/rebase procedures Fixed bridgework Prosthetics placed over implants	50%*	50%*
Miscellaneous Restorative and Prosthodontic Services Prefabricated crowns Recementations Post and core, pin retention and crown/bridge repairs Adjustments	50%*	50%*
Orthodontic Services		
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Orthodontic Diagnostic Procedures and Treatment Lifetime Maximum per Participant	Not Covered	

<sup>\*</sup>A 12-month waiting period applies for these services.

Dental implants are not covered.

The above is a listing of common services available through your network of Contracting Dentists.

The Member's share of the cost is determined by whether care is received from a Contracting or Non-Contracting Dentist.

\*\* Benefits for covered services received from a Contracting Dentist are based on the Allowable Amount, and such Dentist cannot balance bill for charges in excess of this Allowable Amount. Benefits for covered services received from a Non-Contracting Dentist will be based upon an Allowable Amount determined by BCBSIL, where non-contracting Allowable Amount will be not less than the amount BCBSIL would have paid, for the same covered service, supply, or procedure if performed or provided by a Contracting Dentist, and it is possible that such Dentist will balance bill for amounts above this.

This plan includes BlueCare Dental Enhanced Benefit<sup>SM</sup>. The Enhanced Benefit provides additional dental benefits, such as an extra cleaning for members with specific health issues. Please refer to your Dental Benefit Booklet for additional benefit information.

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