

# Triple-S Salud

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# 2020

## A Regional Dental PPO Plan

**Serving: Puerto Rico**

**Enrollment Options for this Plan:**

- **High Option – Self Only**
- **High Option – Self Plus One**
- **High Option – Self and Family**

Enrollment in this Plan is limited. You must live in Puerto Rico to enroll.

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## Introduction

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On December 23, 2004, President George W. Bush signed the Federal Employee Dental and Vision Benefits Enhancement Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-496). The law directed the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to establish supplemental dental and vision benefit programs to be made available to Federal employees, annuitants, and their eligible family members. In response to the legislation, OPM established the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP). OPM has contracted with dental and vision insurers to offer an array of choices to Federal employees and annuitants. Section 715 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (FY 2017 NDAA), Public Law 114-38, expanded FEDVIP eligibility to certain TRICARE-eligible individuals.

This brochure describes the benefits of Triple-S Salud under Triple-S Salud's contract OPM01-FEDVIP-01AP-11 with OPM as authorized by the FEDVIP law. The address for our administrative office is:

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This brochure is the official statement of benefits. No oral statement can modify or otherwise affect the benefits, limitations, and exclusions of this brochure. It is your responsibility to be informed about your benefits. You and your family members do not have a right to benefits that were available before January 1, 2020, unless those benefits are also shown in this brochure.

If you are enrolled in this plan, you are entitled to the benefits described in this brochure. If you are enrolled in Self Plus One, you and your designated family member are entitled to these benefits. If you are enrolled in Self and Family coverage, each of your eligible family members is also entitled to these benefits, if they are also listed on the coverage.

OPM negotiates rates with each carrier annually. Rates are shown at the end of this brochure.

Triple-S Salud's Dental Plan is responsible for the selection of in-network providers in your area. Contact us at 787-774-6081, TTY 787-792-1370, 1-800-716-6081 for the names of participating providers or to request a provider directory. You may also view or request the most current directory via our Web site at [www.ssspr.com](http://www.ssspr.com). Continued participation of any specific provider cannot be guaranteed. Thus, you should choose your plan based on the benefits provided and not on a specific provider's participation. When you phone for an appointment, please remember to verify that the provider is currently in-network. If your provider is not currently participating in the provider network, you may nominate him or her to join. Nomination forms are available on our Web site, or call us and we will have a form sent to you. You cannot change plans, outside of Open Season, because of changes to the provider network.

Provider networks may be more extensive in some areas than others. We cannot guarantee the availability of every specialty in all areas. If you require the services of a specialist and one is not available in your area, please contact us for assistance.

**The Triple-S Salud Plan and all other FEDVIP plans are not a part of the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program.**

We want you to know that protecting the confidentiality of your individually identifiable health information is of the utmost importance to us. To review full details about our privacy practices, our legal duties, and your rights, please visit our website, [www.ssspr.com/SSSPortal](http://www.ssspr.com/SSSPortal) then click on the "Privacy Practices" link at the bottom of the page. If you do not have access to the internet or would like further information, please contact us by calling 787-774-6081, TTY 787-792-1370, 1-800-716-6081.

### **Discrimination is against the Law**

Triple-S Salud, Inc. complies with all applicable Federal civil rights laws, to include both Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act. Pursuant to Section 1557, Triple-S Salud, Inc. does not discriminate, exclude people, or treat them differently on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

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## How We Have Changed For 2020

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In compliance with the American Dental Association, we have revised and included the following codes:

- D1516 Space maintainer fixed-bilateral- maxillary
- D1517 Space maintainer fixed-bilateral- mandibular
- D5282 Removable unilateral partial denture-one-piece cast metal-maxillary
- D5283 Removable unilateral partial denture-one-piece cast metal-mandibular
- D9944 occlusal guard – hard appliance, full arch
- D9945 occlusal guard – soft appliance, full arch
- D9946 occlusal guard – hard appliance, partial arch

We have added the following codes under class B services:

- D7310 Aveoplasty in conjunction with extractions four or more teeth or tooth spaces
- D7311 Aveoplasty in conjunction with extractions one to three teeth or tooth spaces
- D7320 Aveoplasty not in conjunction with extractions four or more teeth or tooth spaces
- D7321 Aveoplasty not in conjunction with extractions one to three teeth or tooth spaces
- D7471 Removal of lateral exostosis
- D7472 Removal of torus palatinus
- D7473 Removal of torus mandibular

We have decreased our coinsurance for class B and class E services from 30% to 15% coinsurance.

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## FEDVIP Program Highlights

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<b>A Choice of Plans and Options</b>	You can select from several nationwide, and in some areas, regional dental Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) or Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) plans, and high and standard coverage options. You can also select from several nationwide vision plans. You may enroll in a dental plan or a vision plan, or both. Some TRICARE beneficiaries may not be eligible to enroll in both. Visit <a href="http://www.opm.gov/dental">www.opm.gov/dental</a> or <a href="http://www.opm.gov/vision">www.opm.gov/vision</a> for more information.
<b>Enroll Through BENEFEDES</b>	You enroll online at <a href="http://www.BENEFEDES.com">www.BENEFEDES.com</a> . Please see Section 2, Enrollment, for more information.
<b>Dual Enrollment</b>	If you or one of your family members is enrolled in or covered by one FEDVIP plan, that person cannot be enrolled in or covered as a family member by another FEDVIP plan offering the same type of coverage; i.e., you (or covered family members) cannot be covered by two FEDVIP dental plans or two FEDVIP vision plans.
<b>Coverage Effective Date</b>	If you sign up for a dental and/or vision plan during the 2019 Open Season, your coverage will begin on January 1, 2020. Premium deductions will start with the first full pay period beginning on/after January 1, 2020. You may use your benefits as soon as your enrollment is confirmed.
<b>Pre-Tax Salary Deduction for Employees</b>	Employees automatically pay premiums through payroll deductions using pre-tax dollars. Annuitants automatically pay premiums through annuity deductions using post-tax dollars. TRICARE enrollees automatically pay premiums through payroll deduction or automatic bank withdrawal (ABW) using post-tax dollars.
<b>Annual Enrollment Opportunity</b>	Each year, an Open Season will be held, during which you may enroll or change your dental and/or vision plan enrollment. This year, Open Season runs from November 11, 2019 through midnight EST December 9, 2019. You do not need to re-enroll each Open Season unless you wish to change plans or plan options; your coverage will continue from the previous year. In addition to the annual Open Season, there are certain events that allow you to make specific types of enrollment changes throughout the year. Please see Section 2, Enrollment, for more information.
<b>Continued Group Coverage After Retirement</b>	Your enrollment or your eligibility to enroll may continue after retirement. You do not need to be enrolled in FEDVIP for any length of time to continue enrollment into retirement. Your family members may also be able to continue enrollment after your death. Please see Section 1, Eligibility, for more information.
<b>Waiting Period</b>	The only waiting period is for orthodontic services. To meet this requirement, the person receiving the services must be enrolled in this plan for the entire twelve month waiting period.
<b>Compliance with the American Dental Association (ADA)</b>	<p>Triple-S Salud, Inc. adopted and complies with the codification system and service description in accordance with the Current Dental Terminology (CDT) of the American Dental Association (ADA).</p> <p>Every year we make the changes according to the ADA's Council of Dental Benefit Programs that are the responsible for maintaining the CDT Code in accordance with ADA Bylaws, policies, and federal regulations.</p>

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## Section 1 Eligibility

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<b>Federal Employees</b>	<p>If you are a Federal or U.S. Postal Service employee, you are eligible to enroll in FEDVIP, if you are eligible for the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program or the Health Insurance Marketplace (Exchange) and your position is not excluded by law or regulation, you are eligible to enroll in FEDVIP. Enrollment in the FEHB Program or a Health Insurance Marketplace (Exchange) plan is not required.</p>
<b>Federal Annuitants</b>	<p>You are eligible to enroll if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>retired on an immediate annuity under the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS), the Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS) or another retirement system for employees of the Federal Government;</li><li>retired for disability under CSRS, FERS, or another retirement system for employees of the Federal Government.</li></ul> <p>Your FEDVIP enrollment will continue into retirement if you retire on an immediate annuity or for disability under CSRS, FERS or another retirement system for employees of the Government, regardless of the length of time you had FEDVIP coverage as an employee. There is no requirement to have coverage for 5 years of service prior to retirement in order to continue coverage into retirement, as there is with the FEHB Program.</p> <p>Your FEDVIP coverage will end if you retire on a Minimum Retirement Age (MRA) + 10 retirement and postpone receipt of your annuity. You may enroll in FEDVIP again when you begin to receive your annuity.</p>
<b>Survivor Annuitants</b>	<p>If you are a survivor of a deceased Federal/U.S. Postal Service employee or annuitant and you are receiving an annuity, you may enroll or continue the existing enrollment.</p>
<b>Compensationers</b>	<p>A compensationer is someone receiving monthly compensation from the Department of Labor's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) due to an on-the-job injury/illness who is determined by the Secretary of Labor to be unable to return to duty. You are eligible to enroll in FEDVIP or continue FEDVIP enrollment into compensation status.</p>
<b>TRICARE-eligible individual</b>	<p>An individual who is eligible for FEDVIP dental coverage based on the individual's eligibility to previously be covered under the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program or an individual eligible for FEDVIP vision coverage based on the individual's enrollment in a specified TRICARE health plan. Retired members of the uniformed services and National Guard/Reserve components, including "gray-area" retirees under age 60 and their families are eligible for FEDVIP dental coverage. These individuals, if enrolled in a TRICARE health plan, are also eligible for FEDVIP vision coverage. In addition, uniformed services active duty family members who are enrolled in a TRICARE health plan are eligible for FEDVIP vision coverage.</p>
<b>Family Members</b>	<p>Except with respect to TRICARE-eligible individuals, family members include your spouse and unmarried dependent children under age 22. This includes legally adopted children and recognized natural children who meet certain dependency requirements. This also includes stepchildren and foster children who live with you in a regular parent-child relationship. Under certain circumstances, you may also continue coverage for a disabled child 22 years of age or older who is incapable of self-support. FEDVIP rules and FEHB rules for family member eligibility are <b>NOT</b> the same. For more information on family member eligibility visit the website at <a href="http://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/dental-vision/">www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/dental-vision/</a> or contact your employing agency or retirement system.</p>

With respect to TRICARE-eligible individuals, family members include your spouse, unremarried widow, unremarried widower, unmarried child, an unremarried former spouse who meets the U.S Department of Defense's 20-20-20 or 20-20-15 eligibility requirements, and certain unmarried persons placed in your legal custody by a court. Children include legally adopted children, stepchildren, and pre-adoptive children. Children and dependent unmarried persons must be under age 21 if they are not a student, under age 23 if they are a full-time student, or incapable of self-support because of a mental or physical incapacity.

### **Not Eligible**

The following persons are not eligible to enroll in FEDVIP, regardless of FEHB eligibility or receipt of an annuity or portion of an annuity:

- Deferred annuitants
- Former spouses of employees or annuitants. **Note:** Former spouses of TRICARE-eligible individuals may enroll in a FEDVIP vision plan.
- FEHB Temporary Continuation of Coverage (TCC) enrollees
- Anyone receiving an insurable interest annuity who is not also an eligible family member
- Active duty uniformed service members. **Note:** If you are an active duty uniformed service member, your dental and vision coverage will be provided by TRICARE. Your family members will still be eligible to enroll in the TRICARE Dental Plan (TDP).



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## Section 2 Enrollment

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### Enroll Through BENEFEDES

**You must use BENEFEDES to enroll or change enrollment in a FEDVIP plan. BENEFEDES is a secure enrollment website ([www.BENEFEDES.com](http://www.BENEFEDES.com)) sponsored by OPM.** If you do not have access to a computer, call 1-877-888-FEDS (1-877-888-3337), TTY number 1-877-889-5680 to enroll or change your enrollment.

If you are currently enrolled in FEDVIP and do not want to change plans, **your enrollment will continue automatically.** **Please Note:** your plans' premiums may change for 2020.

**Note:** You cannot enroll or change enrollment in a FEDVIP plan using the Health Benefits Election Form (SF 2809) or through an agency self-service system, such as Employee Express, PostalEase, EBIS, MyPay, or Employee Personal Page. However, those sites may provide a link to BENEFEDES.

### Enrollment Types

**Self Only:** A Self Only enrollment covers only you as the enrolled employee or annuitant. You may choose a Self Only enrollment even though you have a family; however, your family members will not be covered under FEDVIP.

**Self Plus One:** A Self Plus One enrollment covers you as the enrolled employee or annuitant plus one eligible family member whom you specify. You may choose a Self Plus One enrollment even though you have additional eligible family members, but the additional family members will not be covered under FEDVIP.

**Self and Family:** A Self and Family enrollment covers you as the enrolled employee or annuitant and all of your eligible family members. You must list all eligible family members when enrolling.

### Dual Enrollment

If you or one of your family members is enrolled in or covered by one FEDVIP plan, that person cannot be enrolled in or covered as a family member by another FEDVIP plan offering the same type of coverage; i.e., you (or covered family members) cannot be covered by two FEDVIP dental plans or two FEDVIP vision plans.

### Opportunities to Enroll or Change Enrollment

#### *Open Season*

If you are an eligible employee, annuitant, or TRICARE-eligible individual, you may enroll in a dental and/or vision plan during the November 11, through midnight EST December 9, 2019, Open Season. Coverage is effective January 1, 2020.

During future annual Open Seasons, you may enroll in a plan, or change or cancel your dental and/or vision coverage. The effective date of these Open Season enrollments and changes will be set by OPM.

**If you want to continue your current enrollment, do nothing. Your enrollment carries over from year to year, unless you change it.**

#### *New hire/Newly eligible*

You may enroll within 60 days after you become eligible as:

- a new employee;
- a previously ineligible employee who transferred to a covered position;
- a survivor annuitant if not already covered under FEDVIP; or
- an employee returning to service following a break in service of at least 31 days.
- a TRICARE-eligible individual

Your enrollment will be effective the first day of the pay period following the one in which BENEFEDES receives and confirms your enrollment.

#### **Qualifying Life Event**

A qualifying life event (QLE) is an event that allows you to enroll, or if you are already enrolled, allows you to change your enrollment outside of an Open Season.

The following chart lists the QLEs and the enrollment actions you may take:

<b>Qualifying Life Event</b>	<b>From Not Enrolled to Enrolled</b>	<b>Increase Enrollment Type</b>	<b>Decrease Enrollment Type</b>	<b>Cancel</b>	<b>Change from One Plan to Another</b>
<b>Marriage</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
<b>Acquiring an eligible family member (non-spouse)</b>	No	Yes	No	No	No
<b>Losing a covered family member</b>	No	No	Yes	No	No
<b>Losing other dental/vision coverage (eligible or covered person)</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
<b>Moving out of regional plan's service area</b>	No	No	No	No	Yes
<b>Going on active military duty, non-paystatus (enrollee or spouse)</b>	No	No	No	Yes	No
<b>Returning to pay status from active military duty (enrollee or spouse)</b>	Yes	No	No	No	No
<b>Returning to pay status from Leave without pay</b>	<b>Yes (if enrollment cancelled during LWOP)</b>	No	No	No	<b>Yes (if enrollment cancelled during LWOP)</b>
<b>Annuity/compensation restored</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
<b>Transferring to an eligible position*</b>	No	No	No	Yes	No

\*Position must be in a Federal agency that provides dental and/or vision coverage with 50 percent or more employer-paid premium and you elect to enroll.

The timeframe for requesting a QLE change is from 31 days before to 60 days after the event. There are two exceptions:

- There is no time limit for a change based on moving from a regional plan's service area and

- You cannot request a new enrollment based on a QLE before the QLE occurs, except for enrollment because of the loss of dental or vision insurance. You must make the change no later than 60 days after the event.

Generally, enrollments and enrollment changes made based on a QLE are effective on the first day of the pay period following the one in which BENEFEDS receives and confirms the enrollment or change. BENEFEDS will send you confirmation of your new coverage effective date.

Once you enroll in a plan, your 60-day window for that type of plan ends, even if 60 calendar days have not yet elapsed. That means once you have enrolled in either plan, you cannot change or cancel that particular enrollment until the next Open Season, unless you experience a QLE that allows such a change or cancellation.

### **Canceling an enrollment**

You may cancel your enrollment only during the annual Open Season. An eligible family member's coverage also ends upon the effective date of the cancellation.

Your cancellation is effective at the end of the day before the date OPM sets as the Open Season effective date.

### **When Coverage Stops**

Coverage ends for active and retired Federal, U.S. Postal employees, and TRICARE-eligible individuals when you:

- no longer meet the definition of an eligible employee, annuitant, or TRICARE-eligible individual;
- as a Retired Reservist you begin active duty;
- as sponsor or primary enrollee leaves active duty
- begin a period of non-pay status or pay that is insufficient to have your FEDVIP premiums withheld and you do not make direct premium payments to BENEFEDS;
- are making direct premium payments to BENEFEDS and you stop making the payments;
- cancel the enrollment during Open Season;
- a Retired Reservist begins active duty; or
- the sponsor or primary enrollee leaves active duty.

Coverage for a family member ends when:

- you as the enrollee lose coverage; or
- the family member no longer meets the definition of an eligible family member.

### **Continuation of Coverage**

**Under FEDVIP, there is no 31-day extension of coverage. The following are also**

**NOT available under the FEDVIP plans**

- Temporary Continuation of Coverage (TCC);
- spouse equity coverage; or
- right to convert to an individual policy (conversion policy).

### **FSAFEDS/High Deductible Health Plans and FEDVIP**

If you are planning to enroll in an FSAFEDS Health Care Flexible Spending Account (HCFSA) or Limited Expense Health Care Flexible Spending Account (LEX HCFSA), you should consider how coverage under a FEDVIP plan will affect your annual expenses, and thus the amount that you should allot to an FSAFEDS account. Please note that insurance premiums are not eligible expenses for either type of FSA.

If you have an HCFSA or LEX HCFSA FSAFEDS account and you haven't exhausted your funds by December 31st of the plan year, FSAFEDS can automatically carry over up to \$500 of unspent funds into another health care or limited expense account for the subsequent year. To be eligible for carryover, you must be employed by an agency that participates in FSAFEDS and actively making allotments from your pay through December 31. You must also actively reenroll in a health care or limited expense account during the NEXT Open Season to be carryover eligible. Your reenrollment must be for at least the minimum of \$100. If you do not reenroll, or if you are not employed by an agency that participates in FSAFEDS and actively making allotments from your pay through December 31st, your funds will not be carried over.

Because of the tax benefits an FSA provides, the IRS requires that you forfeit any money for which you did not incur an eligible expense and file a claim in the time period permitted. This is known as the "Use-it-or-Lose-it" rule. Carefully consider the amount you will elect.

For a health care or limited expense account, each participant must contribute a minimum of \$100 to a maximum of \$2,700.

Current FSAFEDS participants must re-enroll to participate next year. See [www.fsafeds.com](http://www.fsafeds.com) or call 1-877-FSAFEDS (372-3337) or TTY: 1-866-353-8058. **Note: FSAFEDS is not open to retired employees, or to TRICARE eligible individuals.**

If you enroll or are enrolled in a high deductible health plan with a health savings account (HSA) or health reimbursement arrangement (HRA), you may use your HSA or HRA to pay for qualified dental/vision costs not covered by your FEHB and FEDVIP plans.

You will be required to submit your claims on behalf of the Triple-S Salud's Dental Plan to the FSAFEDS Health Care Flexible Spending Account (HCFSA) or Limited Expense Health Care Flexible Spending Account (LEX HCFSA) to claim reimbursement.

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## Section 3 How You Obtain Care

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### **Identification Cards/ Enrollment Confirmation**

We will send you an identification (ID) card when you enroll. You should carry your ID card with you at all times. You must show it whenever you receive services from a plan provider. Your ID card does not have an expiration date to ensure the continuity of services.

If you do not receive your ID card within 30 days after the effective date of your enrollment, or if you need replacement cards, call us at 787-774-6081, TTY 787-792-1370, 1-800-716-6081 or write to us at Triple-S Salud, Inc. (Triple-S Salud), Customer Service Division, 1441 Roosevelt Avenue, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00920. You may also request replacement cards through our Web site at [www.ssspr.com](http://www.ssspr.com).

It is important to bring your FEDVIP and FEHB identification cards to every dental appointment because most FEHB plans offer some level of dental benefits separate from your FEDVIP coverage. Presenting both identification cards can ensure that you receive the maximum allowable benefit under each Program.

### **Where You Obtain Covered Care**

You obtain care from “plan providers”. You will only pay coinsurance, and you will not have to file claims, except when receiving services from orthodontists, who are not “plan providers”.

### **Plan Providers**

We list plan providers in the provider directory, which we update periodically. The list is on our Web site at: [www.ssspr.com](http://www.ssspr.com) or you may call us at 787-774-6081, TTY 787-792-1370, 1-800-716-6081 .

### **In-Network**

The primary care dentists are duly authorized plan dentists with a regular license issued by the designated entity of the government of Puerto Rico, and who are bona fide members of the “Colegio de Cirujanos Dentistas de Puerto Rico”, who have signed a contract with Triple-S Salud, Inc. to render dental services.

### **Out-of-Network**

We will only reimburse out-of-network services when rendered by orthodontists. No other services rendered by out-of-network providers are covered including emergency services performed by an out-of-network dentist. If you receive dental services from other out-of-network providers, services are not covered and you will have to pay 100% of the charges and we will not reimburse you.

Emergency services performed by an out-of-network dentist are not covered. You will have to pay 100% of the charges and we will not reimburse you.

### **Pre-Authorization/Pre- Determination of Benefits**

Some of the objectives of the pre-determination of benefits are to allow both the participant and the insured to confirm beforehand the eligibility of the service for the dental coverage, the scope of the covered services, limits, exclusions, necessity and deductibles and coinsurances applicable under the insureds contract. Pre-determinations will be evaluated based on the pre-determination policies that Triple-S Salud, Inc. has established. We will not be liable for payment of services, if they have been rendered or received without this pre-authorization/pre-determination.

The following dental benefits will require a pre-authorization/pre-determination of benefits: all crowns, fixed and removable prostheses, periodontal procedures and endodontic retreatments.

The dentist is responsible for the pre-determination of benefits and will list all services of the treatment plan on the ADA claim form and include radiographs and a report with the clinical evaluation justifying the necessity for the services. The dentists will submit the form by paper or electronically. For questions regarding this process, call us at 787-774-6081, TTY 787-792-1370, 1-800-716-6081.

**FEHB First Payor**

When you visit a provider who participates with both, your FEHB plan and your FEDVIP plan, the FEHB plan will pay benefits first. The FEDVIP plan allowance will be the prevailing charge in these cases. You are responsible for the difference between the FEHB and FEDVIP benefit payments and the FEDVIP plan allowance. We are responsible for facilitating the process with the FEHB first payor.

It is important to bring your FEDVIP and FEHB identification cards to every dental appointment because most FEHB plans offer some level of dental benefits separate from your FEDVIP coverage. Presenting both identification cards can ensure that you receive the maximum allowable benefit under each Program.

**Coordination of Benefits**

We will coordinate benefit payments with the payment of benefits under other group health benefits coverage you may have and the payment of dental costs under no-fault insurance that pays benefits without regard to fault.

It is important to bring your FEDVIP and FEHB identification cards to every dental appointment because most FEHB plans offer some level of dental benefits separate from your FEDVIP coverage. Presenting both identification cards can ensure that you receive the maximum allowable benefit under each Program.

We may request that you verify/identify your health insurance plan(s) annually or at time of service.

**Service Area**

To enroll in this plan, you must live in our service area. This is where our providers practice. Our service area is *only* Puerto Rico.

You must get your care from providers within the service area who contract with us. If you receive care outside our service area, you will have to pay 100% of the charges. We will not pay for services out of our service area.

If you move outside of our service area, you may enroll in another plan at that time. You do not have to wait until Open Season to change plans. Contact BENEFEDS at [www.BENEFEDS.com](http://www.BENEFEDS.com) or call 1-877-888-FEDS (1-877-888-3337), TTY number 1-877-889-5680 to change plans.

**Dental Review**

Only individual crowns, removable and fixed prostheses and endodontic retreatments require dental review. Requests will be processed faster if they are accompanied with periapical radiographs with diagnostic value and brief by reports with additional clinical information that may not be evident in the radiographs.

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## Section 4 Your Cost For Covered Services

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This is what you will pay out-of-pocket for covered care:

<b>Coinsurance</b>	Coinsurance is the percentage of our allowance that you must pay for your care.  Example: In our plan, you pay 30% of our allowance for oral surgery.
<b>Lifetime Benefit Maximum</b>	In our plan, the established lifetime benefit maximum of \$2,000 applies only to orthodontic services.
<b>In-Network Services</b>	You pay the established coinsurance for each service. Please see Section 5, Dental Services and Supplies, for more information.
<b>Out-of-Network Services</b>	There is no benefit payable for out-of-network services other than for orthodontia. You pay 100% of the billed charges. We will not reimburse you. Orthodontic services are reimbursed at 50% up to a lifetime maximum of \$2,000 per member.
<b>Emergency Services</b>	You pay the established coinsurance for each in-network service. For emergency services received from out-of-network providers in or outside of our service area (Puerto Rico), you pay 100% of the costs.
<b>International Services</b>	There is no coverage for services rendered overseas. You pay 100% of the cost.
<b>In-Progress Treatment</b>	In-progress treatment for dependents of retiring active duty service members who were enrolled in the TRICARE Dental Program (TDP) will be covered for the 2020 plan year; regardless of any current plan exclusion for care initiated prior to the enrollee's effective date. This requirement includes assumption of payments for covered orthodontia services up to the FEDVIP policy limits, and full payment where applicable up to the terms of FEDVIP policy for covered services completed (but not initiated) in the 2020 plan year such as crowns and implants. FEDVIP carriers will not cover in-progress treatment if you enroll in a FEDVIP plan that has a waiting period, or does not cover the service. Several FEDVIP dental plans have options that offer orthodontia coverage without a 12-month waiting period, and without age limits. Note - There are no waiting periods for any benefits on this plan.

## Section 5 Dental Services and Supplies Class A Basic

**Important things you should keep in mind about these benefits:**

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are necessary for the prevention, diagnosis, care, or treatment of a covered condition and meet generally accepted dental protocols.
- There is no calendar year deductible.

**You Pay:**

**High Option**

- **In-Network:** Nothing
- **Out-of-Network:** 100% of billed charges

### Diagnostic and Treatment Services

- D0120 Periodic oral evaluation - *Limited to twice every 12 months, with an interval of 6 months*
- D0140 Limited oral evaluation - problem focused - *Limited to twice every 12 months, with an interval of 6 months*
- D0150 Comprehensive oral evaluation - *Limited to one evaluation every 3 years*
- D0160 Detailed and extensive oral evaluation-problem focused, by report - *Limited to one evaluation every 3 years*
- D0180 **(P)** Comprehensive periodontal - *Limited to twice every 12 months, with an interval of 6 months*
- D0210 Intraoral - complete series (including bitewings)
- D0220 Intraoral - periapical first radiographic image
- D0230 Intraoral - periapical - each additional radiographic image
- D0240 Intraoral - occlusal radiographic image
- D0250 Extraoral - 2D projection radiographic image created using a stationary radiation source, and detector
- D0270 Bitewing - single radiographic image
- D0272 Bitewings - two radiographic images
- D0273 Bitewings - three radiographic images
- D0274 Bitewings - four radiographic images
- D0277 Vertical bitewings - 7 to 8 radiographic images
- D0330 Panoramic radiographic image
- D0340 Cephalometric radiographic image
- D0999 Unspecified diagnostic procedure, *by report*

**(P)** = Services will be paid only to periodontists

### Preventive Services

- D1110 Prophylaxis - adult - *Limited to twice every 12 months, with an interval of 6 months*
- D1120 Prophylaxis - child - *Limited to twice every 12 months, with an interval of 6 months*
- D1208 topical application of fluoride - *Limited to twice every 12 months, with an interval of 6 months*
- D1351 Sealant - per tooth - *Limited to permanent molars and premolars through age 14; one sealant per tooth for life*
- D1510 Space maintainer-fixed-unilateral
- D1516 Space maintainer fixed-bilateral- maxillary
- D1517 Space maintainer-fixed-bilateral mandibular
- D1575 Distal shoe space maintainer-fixed-unilateral



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## Adjunctive General Services

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D9110 Palliative (emergency) treatment of dental pain-minor procedure

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D9310 Consultation (diagnostic service provided by dentist or physician other than requesting dentist or physician)

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D9440 Office visit after regularly scheduled hours

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***Not covered:***

- *Plaque control programs*
  - *Oral hygiene instruction*
  - *Dietary instructions*
  - *Over-the-counter dental products, such as teeth whiteners, toothpaste, dental floss*
  - *Services rendered by out-of-network providers*
  - *Services not listed as covered above*
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## Class B Intermediate

**Important things you should keep in mind about these benefits:**

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are necessary for the prevention, diagnosis, care, or treatment of a covered condition and meet generally accepted dental protocols.
- There is no calendar year deductible.
- All fixed and removable prosthesis, periodontal procedures and endodontic re-treatments will be subject to our pre-determination.
- In-progress treatment for dependents of retiring TDP enrollees will be covered for the 2020 plan year. This is regardless of any current plan exclusions for care initiated prior to the enrollee's effective date.

**You Pay:**

**High Option**

- **In-Network:** 15% of coinsurance
- **Out-of-Network:** 100% of billed charges

### Minor Restorative Services

- D2140 Amalgam - one surface, primary or permanent
- D2150 Amalgam - two surfaces, primary or permanent
- D2160 Amalgam - three surfaces, primary or permanent
- D2161 Amalgam - four or more surfaces, primary or permanent
- D2330 Resin-based composite - one surface, anterior
- D2331 Resin-based composite - two surfaces, anterior
- D2332 Resin-based composite - three surfaces, anterior
- D2335 Resin-based composite - four or more surfaces or involving incisal angle (anterior)
- D2391 Resin-based composite - one surface, posterior
- D2392 Resin-based composite - two surfaces, posterior
- D2393 Resin-based composite - three surfaces, posterior
- D2394 Resin-based composite - four or more surfaces, posterior
- D2799 Provisional crown
- D2910 Recement inlay - onlay, or partial coverage restoration - *Limited to one patient, per tooth, per lifetime*
- D2915 Recement cast or prefabricated post and core - *Limited to one per patient, per tooth, per lifetime*
- D2920 Recement crown - *Limited to one per patient, per tooth, per lifetime*
- D2930 Prefabricated stainless steel crown - primary tooth - *Limited to one per patient, per tooth, per lifetime*
- D2931 Prefabricated stainless steel crown - permanent tooth
- D2940 Protective restoration
- D2951 Pin retention - per tooth, in addition to restoration
- D2999 Unspecified restorative procedure, *by report*

**Not Covered:**

- Restorations, including veneers, which are placed for cosmetic purposes only
- Gold foil restorations
- Services rendered by out-of-network providers
- Services not listed as covered above

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**Endodontic Services**

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D3110 Pulp cap - direct (excluding final restoration)

D3120 Pulp cap - indirect (excluding final restoration)

D3220 Therapeutic pulpotomy (excluding final restoration)

D3221 Pulpal debridement, primary and permanent teeth

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**Periodontal Services**

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D4277 Free soft tissue graft procedure, first tooth or edentulous tooth position in a graft

D4278 Free soft tissue graft procedure, each additional contiguous tooth or edentulous tooth position in a graft site

D4341 Periodontal scaling and root planing - four or more teeth per quadrant

D4342 Periodontal scaling and root planing - one to three teeth per quadrant

D4910 Periodontal maintenance

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**Prosthodontic Services**

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D5410 Adjust complete denture - maxillary

D5411 Adjust complete denture - mandibular

D5421 Adjust partial denture - maxillary

D5422 Adjust partial denture - mandibular

D5511 Repair broken complete denture base - mandibular

D5512 Repair broken complete denture base - maxillary

D5520 Replace missing or broken teeth - complete denture (each tooth)

D5611 Repair resin partial denture base - mandibular

D5612 Repair resin partial denture base - maxillary

D5621 Repair cast framework - mandibular

D5622 Repair cast partial framework - maxillary

D5630 Repair or replace broken clasp

D5640 Replace broken teeth - per tooth

D5650 Add tooth to existing partial denture

D5660 Add clasp to existing partial denture

D5710 Rebase complete maxillary denture

D5711 Rebase complete mandibular denture

D5720 Rebase maxillary partial denture

D5721 Rebase mandibular partial denture

D5730 Reline complete maxillary denture (chairside)

D5731 Reline complete mandibular denture (chairside)

D5740 Reline maxillary partial denture (chairside)

D5741 Reline mandibular partial denture (chairside)

D5750 Reline complete maxillary denture (laboratory)

D5751 Reline complete mandibular denture (laboratory)

D5760 Reline maxillary partial denture (laboratory)

D5761 Reline mandibular partial denture (laboratory)

D5850 Tissue conditioning (maxillary)

D5851 Tissue conditioning (mandibular)

D5899 Unspecified removal prosthodontic procedure, *by report*

D6930 Recement fixed partial denture

D6980 Fixed partial denture repair, *by restorative material failure*

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## Oral Surgery

D7111 Extraction, coronal remnants-deciduous tooth

D7140 Extraction, erupted tooth or exposed root (elevation and/or forceps removal)

D7210 Surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring elevation of mucoperiosteal flap and removal of bone and/or section of tooth

D7220 Removal of impacted tooth - soft tissue

D7230 Removal of impacted tooth - partially bony

D7240 Removal of impacted tooth - completely bony

D7241 Removal of impacted tooth-completely bony-with unusual surgical complications

D7250 Surgical removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure)

D7280 Surgical access of an unerupted tooth

D7283 Placement of device to facilitate eruption of impacted tooth

D7286 Biopsy of oral tissue - soft

D7310 Aveoplasty in conjunction with extractions four or more teeth or tooth spaces

D7311 Aveoplasty in conjunction with extractions one to three teeth or tooth spaces

D7320 Aveoplasty not in conjunction with extractions four or more teeth or tooth spaces

D7321 Aveoplasty not in conjunction with extractions one to three teeth or tooth spaces

D7510 Incision and drainage of abscess - intraoral soft tissue

D7471 Removal of lateral exostosis

D7472 Removal of torus palatinus

D7473 Removal of torus mandibular

D7953 Bone Replacement Graft for Ridge Preservation

D7971 Excision of pericoronal gingiva

D7999 Unspecified surgical procedure, *by report*

## Class C Major

**Important things you should keep in mind about these benefits:**

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are necessary for the prevention, diagnosis, care, or treatment of a covered condition and meet generally accepted dental protocols.
- There is no calendar year deductible.
- All crowns and endodontic re-treatments will be subject to our determination.
- In-progress treatment for dependents of retiring TDP enrollees will be covered for the 2020 plan year. This is regardless of any current plan exclusions for care initiated prior to the enrollee's effective date.

**You Pay:**

**High Option**

- **In-Network:** 60% of coinsurance, except for endodontic services and codes D2950, D2952, D2954 and D2980, for which you will pay 30% of coinsurance
- **Out-of-Network:** 100% of billed charges

### Major Restorative Services

D2510 Inlay-metallic-one surface, pre-authorization required
D2520 Inlay-metallic-two surfaces, pre-authorization required
D2530 Inlay-metallic-three surfaces, pre-authorization required
D2542 Onlay-metallic-two surfaces, pre-authorization required
D2543 Onlay-metallic-three surfaces, pre-authorization required
D2544 Onlay-metallic-four or more surfaces, pre-authorization required
D2720 Crown - resin with high noble metal
D2722 Crown - resin with noble metal
D2750 Crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal
D2752 Crown - porcelain fused to noble metal
D2780 Crown - 3/4 cast high noble metal
D2781 Crown - 3/4 cast predominately base metal
D2782 Crown - 3/4 cast noble metal
D2783 Crown - 3/4 porcelain/ceramic
D2790 Crown - full cast high noble metal
D2791 Crown - full cast predominately base metal
D2792 Crown - full cast noble metal
D2794 Crown - titanium
D2950 Core buildup, including any pins
D2952 Cast post and core in addition to crown
D2954 Prefabricated post and core in addition to crown
D2980 Crown repair, <i>by report</i>
D2981 Inlay repair
D2982 Onlay repair
D2983 Veneer repair

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## Major Restorative Services (cont.)

### **Not covered:**

- Gold foil restorations
- Restorations for cosmetic purposes only
- Composite resin inlays
- Services rendered by out-of-network providers
- Implants will not be covered where there are no teeth in either extremity.
- Services not listed as covered above

## Endodontic Services

D3310 Endodontic therapy - anterior tooth (excluding final restoration)

D3320 Endodontic therapy - bicuspid tooth (excluding final restoration)

D3330 Endodontic therapy - molar (excluding final restoration)

D3346 Retreatment of previous root canal therapy-anterior

D3347 Retreatment of previous root canal therapy-bicuspid

D3348 Retreatment of previous root canal therapy-molar

D3351 Apexification/recalcification-initial visit (apical closure/calcific repair of perforations, root resorption, etc.)

D3352 Apexification/recalcification-interim medication replacement

D3353 Apexification/recalcification-final visit (includes completed root canal therapy, apical closure/calcific repair of perforations, root resorption, etc.)

D3355 Pulpal regeneration - initial visit

D3356 Pulpal regeneration - interim medication replacement

D3357 Pulpal regeneration - completion of treatment

D3410 Apicoectomy - anterior

D3421 Apicoectomy - bicuspid (first root)

D3425 Apicoectomy - molar (first root)

D3426 Apicoectomy (each additional root)

D3430 Retrograde filling-per root

D3450 Root amputation- per root

D3999 Unspecified endodontic procedure, *by report*

## Periodontal Services

D4210 Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty – four or more contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces, per quadrant

D4211 Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty – one to three teeth, per quadrant

D4240 Gingival flap procedure, including root planing, four or more contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant

D4241 Gingival flap procedure, including root planing, one to three teeth, per quadrant

D4245 Apically positioned flap

D4249 Clinical crown lengthening-hard tissue

D4260 Osseous surgery (including flap entry and closure), four or more contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant

D4261 Osseous surgery (including flap entry and closure), one to three contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant

D4263 Bone Replacement Graft - First Site in quadrant

D4264 Bone Replacement Graft - Each Additional Site in quadrant

D4266 Guided tissue regeneration – resorbable barrier, per site

D4267 Guided tissue regeneration – nonresorbable barrier, per site (includes membrane removal)

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## Periodontal Services (cont.)

D4270 Pedicle soft tissue graft procedure

D4273 Subepithelial connective tissue graft procedures per tooth

D4277 Free soft tissue graft procedure (including donor site surgery), first tooth or edentulous tooth position in a graft

D4278 Free soft tissue graft procedure (including donor site surgery), each additional contiguous tooth or edentulous tooth position in a graft site

D4321 Provisional Splinting, extra coronal

D4346 Scaling in presence of generalized moderate or severe gingival inflammation-full mouth, after oral evaluation

D4355 Full mouth debridement to enable comprehensive evaluation and diagnosis

## Major Prosthodontic Services

D5110 Complete denture - maxillary

D5120 Complete denture - mandibular

D5130 Immediate denture-maxillary

D5140 Immediate denture-mandibular

D5211 Maxillary partial denture-resin base (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)

D5212 Mandibular partial denture-resin base (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)

D5213 Maxillary partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)

D5214 Mandibular partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture base (including any conventional clasps, rests and teeth)

D5282 Removable unilateral partial denture-one piece cast metal-maxillary

D5283 Removable unilateral partial denture-one piece cast metal-mandibular

D6010 Surgical placement of implant body; edosteal implant

D6011 Second Stage Implant - Surgery

D6053 Implant/Abutment supported removable denture for complete edentulous arch

D6054 Implant/Abutment supported removable denture for partial edentulous arch

D6055 Connecting Bar-implant supported or abutment supported

D6056 Prefabricated abutment-includes modification and placement

D6057 Custom Fabricated abutment - includes placement

D6058 Abutment supported porcelain/ceramic crown

D6059 Abutment supported porcelain fused to metal crown (high noble metal)

D6060 Abutment supported porcelain fused to metal crown (predominantly base metal)

D6061 Abutment supported porcelain fused to metal crown (noble metal)

D6062 Abutment supported cast metal crown (high noble metal)

D6063 Abutment supported cast metal crown (predominantly base metal)

D6064 Abutment supported cast metal crown (noble metal)

D6065 Implant supported porcelain/ceramic crown

D6066 Implant supported porcelain fused to metal crown-titanium (titanium alloy, high noble metal)

D6067 Implant supported metal crown-titanium (titanium alloy, high noble metal)

D6068 Abutment supported retainer for porcelain/ceramic FPD

D6069 Abutment supported retainer for porcelain fused to metal FPD (high noble metal)

D6070 Abutment supported retainer for porcelain fused to metal FPD (predominantly base metal)

D6074 Abutment supported retainer for cast metal FPD (noble metal)

D6077 Implant supported retainer for cast metal FPD (titanium, titanium alloy, or high noble metal)

D6081 Scaling and debridement in the presence of inflammation or mucositis of a single implant, including cleaning of the implant surfaces, without flap entry and closure

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## Major Prosthodontic Services (cont.)

D6085 Provisional implant crown
D6090 Repair Implant Prosthesis, by report
D6100 Implant removal, by report
D6210 Pontic - cast high noble metal
D6212 Pontic - cast noble metal
D6240 Pontic - porcelain fused to high noble metal
D6241 Pontic - porcelain fused to predominately base metal
D6242 Pontic - porcelain fused to noble metal
D6245 Pontic - porcelain/ceramic
D6250 Pontic - resin with high noble metal
D6251 Pontic - resin with predominately base metal
D6252 Pontic - resin with noble metal
D6253 Provisional pontic
D6545 Retainer - cast metal for resin bonded fixed prosthesis
D6548 Retainer - porcelain/ceramic for resin bonded fixed prosthesis
D6600 Inlay - porcelain/ceramic, two surfaces
D6601 Inlay - porcelain/ceramic, three or more surfaces
D6602 Inlay - cast high noble metal, two surfaces
D6603 Inlay - cast high noble metal, three or more surfaces
D6604 Inlay - cast predominately base metal, two surfaces
D6605 Inlay - cast predominately base metal, three or more surfaces
D6606 Inlay - cast noble metal, two surfaces
D6607 Inlay - cast noble metal, three or more surfaces
D6608 Onlay - porcelain/ceramic, two surfaces
D6609 Onlay - porcelain/ceramic, three or more surfaces
D6610 Onlay - cast high noble metal, two surfaces
D6710 Crown - indirect resin based composite
D6611 Onlay - cast high noble metal, three or more surfaces
D6612 Onlay - cast predominately base metal, two surfaces
D6613 Onlay - cast predominately base metal, three or more surfaces
D6614 Onlay - cast noble metal, two surfaces
D6615 Onlay - cast noble metal, three or more surfaces
D6624 Inlay - titanium
D6634 Onlay - titanium
D6720 Crown - resin with high noble metal
D6721 Crown - resin with predominately base metal
D6722 Crown - resin with noble metal
D6740 Crown - porcelain/ceramic
D6750 Crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal
D6751 Crown - porcelain fused to predominately base metal
D6752 Crown - porcelain fused to noble metal
D6780 Crown - 3/4 cast high noble metal
D6781 Crown - 3/4 cast predominately base metal
D6782 Crown - 3/4 cast noble metal

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**Major Prosthodontic Services (cont.)**

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D6783 Crown - 3/4 porcelain/ceramic

D6790 Crown - full cast high noble metal

D6791 Crown - full cast predominately base metal

D6792 Crown - full cast noble metal

D6794 Crown - titanium

D6920 Connector bar

D6930 Recement fixed partial denture

D6940 Stress breaker

D6950 Precision attachment

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**Adjunctive General Services**

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D9944 occlusal guard – hard appliance, full arch

D9945 occlusal guard – soft appliance, full arch

D9946 occlusal guard – hard appliance, partial arch

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***Not covered:***

- *Cast unilateral removable partial dentures*
  - *Precision attachments, personalization, precious metal bases, and other specialized techniques*
  - *Replacement of dentures that have been lost, stolen or misplaced*
  - *Removable or fixed prostheses initiated prior to the effective date of coverage or inserted/cemented after the coverage ending date*
  - *Services rendered by out-of-network providers*
  - *Services not listed as covered above*
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## Class D Orthodontic

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**Important things you should keep in mind about these benefits:**

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are necessary for the prevention, diagnosis, care, or treatment of a covered condition and meet generally accepted dental protocols.
- There is no calendar year deductible.
- The waiting period for orthodontic services is 12 months. The person receiving services must be covered under this plan for the entire waiting period.
- Orthodontists are non-plan providers; **services will be covered by reimbursement at 50% up to a lifetime maximum of \$2,000 per member.**
- In-progress treatment for dependents of retiring TDP enrollees will be covered for the 2020 plan year. This is regardless of any current plan exclusions for care initiated prior to the enrollee's effective date.
- This requirement includes assumption of payments for covered orthodontia services up to the FEDVIP policy limits, and full payment where applicable up to the terms of FEDVIP policy for covered services completed (but not initiated) in the 2020 plan year such as crowns and implants.

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### Orthodontic Services

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D8210 Removable appliance therapy, *limited to once per lifetime*

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D8220 Fixed appliance therapy, *limited to once per lifetime*

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D8660 Pre-orthodontic treatment visit; *initial examination and treatment plan (including x-rays and study models), limited to once per lifetime*

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D8670 Periodic orthodontic treatment visit (as part of contract); *monthly payment* - post treatment stabilization

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D8680 Orthodontic retention (removal of appliances, construction and placement of retainer (s)), *limited to each per lifetime*

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D8690 Orthodontic treatment (alternate billing to a contract fee); *initial payment for insertion of appliance, limited to once per lifetime*

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D8695 Removal of fixed orthodontic appliances for reasons other than completion of treatment, covered under the benefit maximum

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**Not covered:**

- *Repair of damaged orthodontic appliances*
  - *Replacement of lost or missing appliance*
  - *Services to alter vertical dimension and/or restore or maintain the occlusion. Such procedures include, but are not limited to, equilibration, periodontal splinting, full mouth rehabilitation, and restoration for misalignment of teeth*
  - *Services not listed as covered above*
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## General Services

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**Important things you should keep in mind about these benefits:**

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are necessary for the prevention, diagnosis, care, or treatment of a covered condition and meet generally accepted dental protocols.
- There is no calendar year deductible.

**You Pay:**

***High Option***

- **In-Network:** 15% of coinsurance
- **Out-of-Network:** 100% of billed charges

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### General services

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D9420 Hospital or ambulatory surgical center call

D9910 Application of desensitizing medicament

D9930 Treatment of complications (post-surgical) - unusual circumstances, by report

D9999 Unspecified adjunctive procedure, by report

***Not covered:***

- *Nitrous oxide*
  - *Oral sedation*
  - *Services rendered by out-of-network providers*
  - *Services not listed as covered above*
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## Section 6 General Exclusions – Things We Do Not Cover

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The exclusions in this section apply to all benefits. **Although we may list a specific service as a benefit, we will not cover it unless we determine it is necessary for the prevention, diagnosis, care, or treatment of a covered condition.**

We do not cover the following:

- Any dental service or treatment not specifically listed as a covered service;
- Services and treatment not prescribed by or under the direct supervision of a dentist;
- Services and treatment which are experimental or investigational;
- Services and treatment which are for any illness or bodily injury which occurs in the course of employment if a benefit or compensation is available, in whole or in part, under the law or regulation of any governmental unit. This exclusion applies whether or not you claim the benefits or compensation;
- Services and treatment received from a dental department maintained by or on behalf of an employer, mutual benefit association, labor union, trust, or similar person or group;
- Services and treatment performed prior to your effective coverage date including orthodontic treatment;
- Services and treatment incurred after the termination date of your coverage unless otherwise indicated;
- Services and treatment which are not dentally necessary, or which are not recommended or approved by the treating dentist. (Services determined to be unnecessary or which do not meet accepted standards of dental practice are not billable to you by a participating dentist unless the dentist notifies you of your liability prior to treatment and you choose to receive the treatment. Participating dentists should document such notification in their records.);
- Services and treatment not meeting accepted standards of dental practice;
- Services and treatment resulting from your failure to comply with professionally prescribed treatment;
- Telephone consultations;
- Any charges for failure to keep a scheduled appointment;
- Any services that are strictly cosmetic in nature including, but not limited to, charges for personalization or characterization of prosthetic appliances;
- Services related to the diagnosis and treatment of Temporomandibular Joint Dysfunction (TMJD);
- Services or treatment provided as a result of intentionally self-inflicted injury or illness;
- Services or treatment provided as a result of injuries suffered while committing or attempting to commit a felony, engaging in an illegal occupation, or participating in a riot, rebellion or insurrection;
- Office infection control charges;
- Charges for copies of your records, charts or x-rays, or any costs associated with forwarding/mailling copies of your records, charts or x-rays;
- State or territorial taxes on dental services performed;
- Adjunctive dental care services that are covered by the FEHB or other medical insurance even when provided by a general dentist or oral surgeon;
- Services rendered by out-of-network providers, in or outside of Puerto Rico, except by orthodontists in Puerto Rico.
- Services needed as a result of a traffic accident;
- Fluoride treatment for adults, except for patients that have lost their salivary function, due to radiation or medications, in order to prevent and control caries.

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## Section 7 Claims Filing and Disputed Claims Processes

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### How to File a Claim for Covered Services

When you see plan providers, you will not have to file claims. Just present your identification card and pay your coinsurance.

You will only need to file a claim when you receive orthodontic services. You will have to submit the claim within one (1) year since the date of service. Sometimes these providers bill us directly. Check with the provider. If you need to file the claim, here is the process:

**1. Claims for orthodontic reimbursement:** In most cases, providers file claims for you. Dentists must file an ADA claim form. For claims questions and assistance, call us at 787-774-6081, TTY 787-792-1370, 1-800-716-6081. When you receive orthodontic services, you must file an ADA claim form or a claim that includes the information shown below. Bills and receipts should be itemized and:

- (a) Must be sent to: Triple-S Salud, Inc. PO Box 363628, San Juan, PR 00936-3628; and
- (b) Verify that the receipts have the information about the dentist printed on it and that the name of the insured agrees with the contract number. The Request for Reimbursement Form will be accepted as a receipt as long as it has the dentist information printed; the dentist's signature and his/her license number.
- (c) When requesting reimbursement for the first time, the insured must include:
  - the treatment plan detailing the first visit
  - down payment
  - monthly payments
  - total cost
  - duration of treatment
- (d) Receipts must agree with what was established in your treatment plan.
- (e) If the insured pays more than one visit in the same receipt, he/she must send the exact dates (month, day, and year) of the services for which he/she paid.
- (f) Payments in advance or total payment of the treatment will not be considered for reimbursement.
- (g) If you pay for retainers, it must be indicated if they are mandibular or maxillary.
- (h) If you request reimbursement for orthodontic devices, it must be indicated if they are fixed (D8220) or removable (D8210).

To request reimbursement through Coordination of Benefits add:

- Contract number of the other plan
- If the reimbursement is for amounts left unpaid by your other plan, you must include the other plan's Explanation of Benefits.

**2. We have a period of 30 days after our receipt of the claim to:**

- (a) Notify you of our determination.
- (b) Request additional information. You will have up to 60 days to provide the requested information.
- (c) Inform you that more time is needed to make a decision. This extension may consist of a maximum of 15 additional days.

**Deadline for Filing Your Claim**

Send us all the documents for your claim as soon as possible. You must submit the claim by December 31 of the year after the year you received the service, unless timely filing was prevented by administrative operations of Government or legal incapacity, provided the claim was submitted as soon as reasonably possible.

**Disputed Claims Process**

Follow this disputed claims process if you disagree with our decision on your claim or request for services. **The FEDVIP law does not provide a role for OPM to review disputed claims.**

**Disputed Claim Steps**

**1.** Ask us in writing to reconsider our initial decision. You must:

- Write to us within the 180 days from the date of our determination.
- Include in your letter the reason why you believe that the initial determination is incorrect.
- Enclose copies of the documents that support your claim, such as a letter from the dentists, and the explanations of benefits.
- Submit your written complaint to the following address: Triple-S Salud, Inc., Customer Service Division, Complaints and Grievances Unit, PO Box 363628, San Juan, PR 00936-3628.

**2.** We will notify you about our decision on your complaint no later than 30 days from the date your complaint was received. If we need more time to make our decision, we will notify you in writing. In said cases, the term to answer your complaint will not exceed a period of 15 days.

**3.** If the dispute is not resolved through the reconsideration process, you may request a review of the denial. You may request a reconsideration within 60 days from the date you received the notification of our determination. You may send your reconsideration request to the same address to which you sent your complaint. In your reconsideration request, you must include the reason(s) why you understand Triple-S Salud was mistaken in its initial determination. We must answer your request for reconsideration with a term of 30 days.

**4.** If you do not agree with our final decision, you may request an independent third party, mutually agreed upon by us and OPM, review the decision. The decision of the independent third party is binding and is the final review of your claim. This decision is not subject to judicial review.

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## Section 8 Definitions of Terms We Use in This Brochure

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<b>Annual Benefit Maximum</b>	The maximum annual benefit that you can receive per person.
<b>Annuitants</b>	Federal retirees (who retired on an immediate annuity), and survivors (of those who retired on an immediate annuity or died in service) receiving an annuity. This also includes those receiving compensation from the Department of Labor's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, who are called compensationers. Annuitants are sometimes called retirees.
<b>BENEFEDS</b>	The enrollment and premium administration system for FEDVIP.
<b>Benefits</b>	Covered services or payment for covered services to which enrollees and covered family members are entitled to the extent provided by this brochure.
<b>Class A Services</b>	Basic services, which include oral examinations, prophylaxis, diagnostic evaluations, sealants and x-rays.
<b>Class B Services</b>	Intermediate services, which include restorative procedures such as fillings, prefabricated stainless steel crowns, periodontal scaling, tooth extractions, oral surgery and denture adjustments.
<b>Class C Services</b>	Major services, which include endodontic services such as root canals, periodontal services such as scaling and root planing, major restorative services such as crowns, bridges and prosthodontic services such as complete dentures.
<b>Class D Services</b>	Orthodontic services.
<b>Enrollee</b>	The Federal employee, annuitant, or TRICARE-eligible individual enrolled in this plan.
<b>FEDVIP</b>	Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program.
<b>Generally Accepted Dental Protocols</b>	Clinically adequate procedures accepted by the different academies of the dental profession.
<b>Plan Allowance</b>	The amount we allow for specific procedures.
<b>Sponsor</b>	Generally, a sponsor means the individual who is eligible for medical or dental benefits under 10 U.S.C. chapter 55 based on his or her direct affiliation with the uniformed services (including military members of the National Guard and Reserves).
<b>TEI certifying family member</b>	Under circumstances where a sponsor is not an enrollee, a TEI family member may accept responsibility to self-certify as an enrollee and enroll TEI family members
<b>TRICARE-eligible individual (TEI) family member</b>	TEI family members include a sponsor's spouse, unremarried widow, unremarried widower, unmarried child, and certain unmarried persons placed in a sponsor's legal custody by a court. Children include legally adopted children, stepchildren, and pre-adoptive children. Children and dependent unmarried persons must be under age 21 if they are not a student, under age 23 if they are a full-time student, or incapable of self-support because of a mental or physical incapacity.
<b>Waiting period</b>	The amount of time that you must be enrolled in this plan before you can receive orthodontic services.
<b>We/Us</b>	Triple-S Salud
<b>You</b>	Enrollee or eligible family member.
<b>In-Progress Treatment</b>	Dental services that initiated in 2019 that will be completed in 2020.

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## Stop Health Care Fraud!

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Fraud increases the cost of health care for everyone and increases your Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program premium.

**Protect Yourself From Fraud** – Here are some things that you can do to prevent fraud:

- Do not give your plan identification (ID) number over the telephone or to people you do not know, except to your providers, plan, BENEFEDS, or OPM.
- Let only the appropriate providers review your clinical record or recommend services.
- Avoid using providers who say that an item or service is not usually covered, but they know how to bill us to get it paid.
- Carefully review your explanation of benefits (EOBs) statements.
- Do not ask your provider to make false entries on certificates, bills or records in order to get us to pay for an item or service.
- If you suspect that a provider has charged you for services you did not receive, billed you twice for the same service, or misrepresented any information, do the following:
  - Call the provider and ask for an explanation. There may be an error.
  - If the provider does not resolve the matter, call us at 787-774-6081, TTY 787-792-1370, 1-800-716-6081 and explain the situation.
- Do not maintain as a family member on your policy:
  - Your former spouse after a divorce decree or annulment is final (even if a court order stipulates otherwise); or
  - Your child over age 22 (unless he/she is disabled and incapable of self- support).

If you have any questions about the eligibility of a dependent, please contact BENEFEDS.

Be sure to review Section 1, Eligibility, of this brochure, prior to submitting your enrollment or obtaining benefits.

**Fraud or intentional misrepresentation of material fact is prohibited under the plan. You can be prosecuted for fraud and your agency may take action against you if you falsify a claim to obtain FEDVIP benefits or try to obtain services for someone who is not an eligible family member or who is no longer enrolled in the plan, or enroll in the plan when you are no longer eligible.**



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## Summary of Benefits

- **Do not rely on this chart alone.** This page summarizes specific expenses we cover; for more detail, please review the individual sections of this brochure.
- If you want to enroll or change your enrollment in this plan, please visit [www.BENEFEDS.com](http://www.BENEFEDS.com) or call 1-877-888-FEDS (1-877-888-3337), TTY number 1-877-889-5680.

High Option Benefits	You Pay In-network	You Pay Out of network	Page
Class A (Basic) Services – preventative and diagnostic	Nothing	100%	14
Class B (Intermediate) Services – includes minor restorative, endodontic, periodontal, prosthodontic and oral surgery services	15%, except for D2999, for which there is no coinsurance	100%	16
Class C (Major) Services – includes major restorative, endodontic, and major prosthodontic services	60%, except for some major restorative services, and for endodontic services, for which is 30%	100%	19
Class D Services – orthodontic services	Covered by reimbursement at 50% up to a lifetime maximum of \$2,000 per member.	Covered by reimbursement at 50% up to a lifetime maximum of \$2,000 per member.	24
General Services	15%	100%	25

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## Rate Information

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### Bi-weekly and Monthly Rates

Basic - Bi-Weekly			Basic - Monthly		
Self Only	Self Plus One	Self and Family	Self Only	Self Plus One	Self and Family
<b>\$4.58</b>	<b>\$9.16</b>	<b>\$12.01</b>	<b>\$9.92</b>	<b>\$19.85</b>	<b>\$26.02</b>