

What You Need to Know

Your benefits will continue. There are changes to certain services in how they are covered including who qualifies and under what medically necessary conditions the services are covered. Your dentist should work with you to understand these changes. Some dental services will still require your dentist to submit a request for prior authorization. For more information please visit: <https://ctdhp.org/dental-regulations-member/>

THE CHANGES TO YOUR BENEFITS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Dental Service	What's Changing
Preventive Care	- Dental Sealants are now covered from ages 5 to 21. - Topical Fluoride is now covered for adults (over the age of twenty-one (21)).
Dentures	- Coverage guidelines for partial and full dentures have been revised. - Rebasing of dentures is now covered once every 24 months.
Endodontic Procedures	- Coverage guidelines for root canals have been revised. - Retreatment of root canals is now covered for adults who meet certain criteria.
Crowns	- Crown replacement timeline has been extended from seven (7) to ten (10) years. - Coverage guidelines for crowns have been revised.
Orthodontic Procedures	Children (ages zero through twenty (0-20)) who do not qualify based on orthodontic scoring guidelines but have documentation from a licensed behavioral health provider who can attest to the child being in active care and orthodontia will support resolving the behavioral health condition may qualify.
Periodontal Procedures	Adults (over the age of twenty-one (21)) with certain medical diagnoses and treatable periodontal disease may now be eligible for periodontic therapy. Qualifying diagnosis and medical treatment include patients with Diabetes Type I and Type II, Heart Valve Disorders, Endocarditis, patients receiving certain chemotherapy and radiation for head, neck, and throat cancer, patients who are post-transplant, patients with End Stage Renal Disease, and patients with Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder(s).
Sedation	- Coverage guidelines for IV Sedation and General Anesthesia (GA) have changed to include use for adults receiving specific dental procedures under certain circumstances. - Nitrous oxide is now covered for children and adults who have a documented a diagnosis of anxiety, behavioral health, cognitive disorder, or medical condition(s) which prevents the member from receiving care safely. - Please work with your dentist to understand the risks and benefits of sedation based on your unique history. Not all patients qualify for sedation based on the dentist's determination.