

**Description of Dental Benefits Provided Under  
Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)  
State: Oregon**

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The following information will identify the general categories of services available in your State. Please note that while a service may be available, you must consult with your dental provider to ensure that the service is medically necessary for your specific condition. For more specific information, please contact your State program.

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**Medicaid Program**

- Under the Medicaid State Plan dental benefits are provided to eligible individuals under the age of 21 in compliance with the requirements of Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) services.  
State Program Name: Oregon Health Plan

**CHIP Program**

- CHIP Medicaid Expansion Program ONLY, i.e., offering complete oral health services under Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT)  
State Program Name:

- CHIP Stand-Alone/Separate Program ONLY  
State Program Name: Oregon Health Plan  
Dental Services Provided through State-defined benefit package

Benchmark Equivalent Program:

Name of :

Optional Supplemental Dental Coverage for CHIP eligible children with private or group insurance

- CHIP Medicaid Expansion and Stand-Alone Program (dental services are as described above)  
State Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**If providing dental benefits other than as defined by EPSDT, States must complete the following:**

**CHIP Stand-Alone Program Dental Benefits**

NOTE: Please identify any limits or other criteria using terms commonly recognized by individuals without extensive oral health terminology knowledge rather than using technical dental terminology. For example, use molar rather than posterior, or front versus anterior.

**Schedule of Services**

- State EPSDT definition  
OR  
 Nationally Recognized Standard  
 Name and Description:

Recommended Age for First Oral Health Examination: At the time of eruption of first tooth and no later than 12 months of age

**Preventive Services:**

Cleanings

- a. Recommended frequency: Twice every 12 months  
b. Exceptions:

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- Fluoride treatments
  - a. Ages:
  - b. Recommended frequency: Twice every 12 months
  - c. Also provided by physicians:
  - d. Also provided by hygienists:
  - e. Exceptions: Additional fluoride may be available, up to a total of 4 within 12 months
- Sealants
  - a. Ages: 15 years old and younger
  - b. Recommended frequency:
  - c. Exceptions:
- Oral hygiene instruction
  - a. Ages:
  - b. Recommended frequency:
- Space Maintainers
  - a. Limits:
  - b. Prior approval required: N

**Diagnostic Services:**

- Dental Examinations by Dentists
  - a. Recommended age of first visit: At the time of eruption of the first tooth and no later than 12 months of age
  - b. Recommended frequency: Twice every 12 months
  - c. Limits:
- Dental Screens and Other Services by Hygienists
  - a. Recommended frequency:
  - b. Limits:
- X-Rays
  - a. Limits:

**Treatment Services:**

- Fillings
  - 1. Silver amalgam: 
    - a. Limits:
  - 2. Tooth colored composite: 
    - a. Limits:
- Crowns/Tooth Caps
  - 1. Stainless steel crowns: 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
  - 2. Metal (only) crowns 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
  - 3. Metal/Porcelain crowns: 
    - a. Limits: Age 16 and older, only anterior permanent teeth
    - b. Prior approval required:
  - 4. Porcelain (only): 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
- Root Canals (endodontics)
  - 1. Root canals on baby teeth (Pulpotomies): 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
  - 2. Root canals on permanent teeth: 
    - a. Limits: No bicuspid or molars
    - b. Prior approval required:

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- Gum (periodontal) Therapy
  - a. Limits:
  - b. Prior approval required:
- Dentures
  - 1. Partial dentures: 
    - a. Prior approval required:
  - 2. Complete dentures: 
    - a. Prior approval required:
- Retainers (orthodontic)
  - a. Limits:
- Bridges
  - a. Limits:
  - b. Prior approval required:
- Implants:
  - a. Criteria:
- Oral Surgery
  - 1. Simple extractions: 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
  - 2. Surgical extractions: 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
  - 3. Care of abscesses: 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
  - 4. Cleft palate treatment: 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
  - 5. Cancer treatment: 
    - b. Limits:
    - c. Prior approval required:
  - 6. Treatment of Fractures: 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
  - 7. Biopsies: 
    - a. Limits:
    - b. Prior approval required:
- Treatment of Jaw Joint (TMJ)
  - a. Criteria:
  - b. Prior approval required:
- Braces (Orthodontia)
  - a. Criteria: Only with diagnosis of cleft palate with cleft lip
  - b. Prior approval required:
  - c. Payment if eligibility lost:
- Emergency Room Services
  - a. Identify services:
  - b. Criteria:
- In-patient Hospital Services
  - a. Criteria:
  - b. Prior approval required:
- Special Anesthesia
  - a. Criteria:
  - b. Prior approval required:

### Excluded Services

1. Identify services: Some oral surgery and maxillofacial prosthetics are covered under the client's medical coverage.