



Delta Dental PPO™ (Standard)
Summary of Dental Plan Benefits
For Group #11235-1000, 1099, 2000, 2099, 3000, 3099, 4000, 4099
Lutheran Ministries of Mercy

This Summary of Dental Plan Benefits should be read along with your Certificate. Your Certificate provides additional information about your Delta Dental plan, including information about plan exclusions and limitations. If a statement in this Summary conflicts with a statement in the Certificate, the statement in this Summary applies to you and you should ignore the conflicting statement in the Certificate. The percentages below are applied to Delta Dental's allowance for each service and it may vary due to the Dentist's network participation.*

Control Plan – Delta Dental of Ohio

Benefit Year – January 1 through December 31

Covered Services –

	Delta Dental PPO™ Dentist	Delta Dental Premier® Dentist	Non-Participating Dentist
	Plan Pays	Plan Pays*	Plan Pays*
Diagnostic & Preventive			
Diagnostic and Preventive Services – exams, cleanings, fluoride, and space maintainers	100%	100%	100%
Palliative Treatment – to temporarily relieve pain	100%	100%	100%
Sealants – to prevent decay of permanent teeth	100%	100%	100%
Brush Biopsy – to detect oral cancer	100%	100%	100%
Radiographs – X-rays	100%	100%	100%
Basic Services			
Minor Restorative Services – fillings and crown repair	80%	80%	80%
Endodontic Services – root canals	80%	80%	80%
Periodontic Services – to treat gum disease	80%	80%	80%
Oral Surgery Services – extractions and dental surgery	80%	80%	80%
Other Basic Services – misc. services	80%	80%	80%
Major Services			
Major Restorative Services – crowns	50%	50%	50%
Relines and Repairs – to prosthetic appliances	50%	50%	50%
Prosthodontic Services – bridges, dentures, and crowns over implants	50%	50%	50%
Orthodontic Services			
Orthodontic Services – braces	50%	50%	50%
Orthodontic Age Limit –	through age 18 and under		

* When you receive services from a Delta Dental Premier or Non-Participating Dentist, the percentages in this column indicate the portion of Delta Dental's PPO Dentist Schedule that will be paid for those services. This amount may be less than what the Dentist charges or Delta Dental approves and you are responsible for that difference.

- Oral exams (including evaluations by a specialist) are payable twice per calendar year.
- Prophylaxes (cleanings) are payable twice per calendar year.
- People with specific at-risk health conditions may be eligible for additional prophylaxes (cleanings) or fluoride treatment. The patient should talk with his or her Dentist about treatment.
- Fluoride treatments are payable twice per calendar year for people age 18 and under.
- Space maintainers are payable once per area per lifetime for people age 15 and under.
- Bitewing X-rays are payable once per calendar year and full mouth X-rays (which include bitewing X-rays) or a panorex are payable once in any five-year period.

- Sealants are payable once per tooth per three-year period for first and second permanent molars for people age 15 and under. The surface must be free from decay and restorations.
- Veneers are payable on incisors, cuspids, and bicuspid once per tooth in any five-year period for people age 12 and older when necessary due to fracture or decay.
- Composite resin (white) restorations are optional treatment on posterior teeth.
- Metallic inlays are Covered Services.
- Reline and rebase of dentures and tissue conditioning are payable once in any two-year period.
- Implants and implant related services are not Covered Services.
- Crowns over implants are payable once per tooth in any five-year period. Services related to crowns over implants are Covered Services.
- People with special health care needs may be eligible for additional services including exams, hygiene visits, dental case management, and sedation/anesthesia. Special health care needs include any physical, developmental, mental, sensory, behavioral, cognitive, or emotional impairment or limiting condition that requires medical management, healthcare intervention, and/or use of specialized services or programs. The condition may be congenital, developmental, or acquired through disease, trauma, or environmental cause and may impose limitations in performing daily self-maintenance activities or substantial limitations in a major life activity.

Having Delta Dental coverage makes it easy for you to get dental care almost everywhere in the world! You can now receive expert dental care when you are outside of the United States through our Passport Dental program. This program gives you access to a worldwide network of Dentists and dental clinics. English-speaking operators are available around the clock to answer questions and help you schedule care. For more information, check our website or contact your benefits representative to get a copy of our Passport Dental information sheet.

Maximum Payment – \$1,000 per Member total per Benefit Year on all services except orthodontic services. \$1,000 per Member total per lifetime on orthodontic services.

Payment for Orthodontic Service – When orthodontic treatment begins, your Dentist will submit a payment plan to Delta Dental based upon your projected course of treatment. In accordance with the agreed upon payment plan, Delta Dental will make an initial payment to you or your Participating Dentist equal to Delta Dental's stated Copayment on 30% of the Maximum Payment for Orthodontic Services as set forth in this Summary of Dental Plan Benefits. Delta Dental will make additional payments as follows: Delta Dental will pay 50% of the per month fee charged by your Dentist based upon the agreed upon payment plan provided by Delta Dental to your Dentist.

Maximum Carryover – Delta Dental PPO™ Dentist - If at least one Covered Service is paid in a Benefit Year and the total Benefit paid does not exceed \$500 in that Benefit Year, \$350 will carry over to the next Benefit Year's Maximum Payment. This amount will accumulate from one Benefit Year to the next, but will not exceed \$1,000. If no Covered Services are paid during a Benefit Year, all accumulated carryover amounts from previous Benefit Years will be forfeited.

Delta Dental Premier® Dentist or Non-Participating Dentist - If at least one Covered Service is paid in a Benefit Year and the total Benefit paid does not exceed \$500 in that Benefit Year, \$250 will carry over to the next Benefit Year's Maximum Payment. This amount will accumulate from one Benefit Year to the next, but will not exceed \$1,000. If no Covered Services are paid during a Benefit Year, all accumulated carryover amounts from previous Benefit Years will be forfeited.

Deductible – \$50 Deductible per Member total per Benefit Year limited to a maximum Deductible of \$150 per family per Benefit Year. The Deductible does not apply to diagnostic and preventive services, emergency palliative treatment, brush biopsy, X-rays, sealants, and orthodontic services.

Deductible Met – The Deductible met under the previous carrier for the period January 1, 2024 through September 30, 2024 will be applied to the 2024 calendar year Deductible with Delta Dental. It is the subscriber's responsibility to provide Delta Dental with adequate documentation of the Deductible met under the previous carrier.

Waiting Period – Enrollees who are eligible for Benefits are covered following 30 days after employment.

Eligible People – All full-time employees of the Contractor working at least 30 hours per week who choose the dental plan and all Enrollees who are eligible for and elect Continuation Coverage pursuant to the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 or similar non-preempted state law ("COBRA").

Also eligible are your Spouse and your Children to the end of the month in which they turn 26, including your Children who are married, who no longer live with you, who are not your Dependents for Federal income tax purposes, and/or who are not permanently disabled.

Enrollees and dependents choosing this plan are required to remain enrolled for a minimum of 12 months. Should an Enrollee or Dependent choose to drop coverage after that time, he or she may not re-enroll prior to the date on which 12 months have elapsed. Dependents may only enroll if the Enrollee is enrolled (except under COBRA) and must be enrolled in the same plan as the Enrollee. An election may be revoked or changed at any time if the change is the result of a qualifying event as defined under Internal Revenue Code Section 125.

Coordination of Benefits – If you and your Spouse are both eligible to enroll in This Plan as Enrollees, you may be enrolled together on one application or separately on individual applications, but not both. Your Dependent Children may only be enrolled on one application. Delta Dental will not coordinate Benefits between your coverage and your Spouse's coverage if you and your Spouse are both covered as Enrollees under This Plan.

Benefits will cease on the last day of the month in which your employment is terminated.