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# HCBS-DD and HCBS-SLS Waiver Dental Benefits: Persons with Developmental Disabilities & Supported Living Services Waivers

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The Home and Community-Based Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (HCBS-DD) and Supported Living Services (HCBS-SLS) waivers include extra dental benefits for people age 21 or older.

HCBS-DD and HCBS-SLS dental benefits are provided in addition to the basic dental benefits all Health First Colorado members 21 or older receive. Find more information about basic dental benefits at [hcpf.colorado.gov/dental-benefits](https://hcpf.colorado.gov/dental-benefits).

## HCBS-DD and HCBS-SLS Dental Benefits

**Preventative and Basic services are limited to \$2,000 per service plan year and include:**

- Exams, cleanings and x-rays
- Mouth guards
- Topical fluoride treatment
- Fillings and root canals
- Denture, crown and bridge repair
- Non-emergency extractions
- Treatment of injuries
- Restoration or recovery of decayed or fractured teeth
- Dental insurance premiums and co-pays/co-insurance

**Major services are limited to \$10,000 for the 5 year renewal period of the waiver and include:**

- Crowns and bridges
- Dentures
- Implants when necessary to support a dental bridge or when necessary to increase the stability of crowns, bridges, and dentures.

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## Limitations

- Dental services must meet industry standards and are limited to the most cost effective and efficient options.
- Some services are not covered, including cosmetic dentistry (to improve only the appearance of the teeth and/or smile) and orthodontia.
- Implants are not covered for daily smokers due to the increased rate of implant failures for daily smokers.
- Replacement implants are not covered if prior implants fail.
- Full mouth implants and/or full mouth crowns are not covered.
- Dentists must be Health First Colorado providers and affiliated with DentaQuest.

## Denta Quest and Dental Providers

Health First Colorado has partnered with DentaQuest to help our members find a dentist and use their dental benefits. All Health First Colorado and HCBS-DD or HCBS-SLS waiver members receive a welcome packet from DentaQuest with information about dental services.

Need help finding a dentist? Have questions?

- Call DentaQuest at 1-855-225-1729  
State Relay: 711 for callers with hearing or speech disabilities  
Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mountain Time
- Visit the DentaQuest website [DentaQuest.com](https://www.dentaquest.com)

Dental providers may not bill you for dental services covered by either Health First Colorado or the HCBS-DD or HCB-SLS waivers. If you have received a bill from your dentist or a collection agency, and you have confirmed that you were active on Health First Colorado on the date of service, contact your provider and ask them to bill DentaQuest. If they are having trouble billing, ask them to contact DentaQuest Provider Services at 1-855-225-1731.

