## DeltaCare® USA

Dental Health Care Program for Eligible Employees and Dependents

Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form

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# EVIDENCE OF COVERAGE DISCLOSURE FORM

## DeltaCare® USA Dental Health Care Program

This booklet is a Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form ("EOC") for your DeltaCare USA Dental Health Care Program ("Program") provided by Delta Dental of Pennsylvania ("Delta Dental"). The Program has been established and is administered in accordance with the provisions of a Group Dental Service Contract ("Contract") issued by Delta Dental.

This EOC describes the provisions of the Contract between your group and Delta Dental. This EOC provides coverage for dental services and Benefits as a Dental Plan Organization in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in the Contract.

THE EOC CONSTITUTES ONLY A SUMMARY OF THE PROGRAM. THE CONTRACT MUST BE CONSULTED TO DETERMINE THE EXACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE COVERAGE PROVIDED UNDER IT.

A COPY OF THE CONTRACT WILL BE FURNISHED UPON REQUEST. ANY DIRECT CONFLICT BETWEEN THE CONTRACT AND THE EOC WILL BE RESOLVED ACCORDING TO THE TERMS WHICH ARE MOST FAVORABLE TO YOU. READ THIS EOC CAREFULLY AND COMPLETELY.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION SO YOU WILL KNOW HOW TO OBTAIN DENTAL BENEFITS.

The telephone number where you may obtain information about Benefits, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, is 844-697-0578.

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#### **Definitions**

As used in this booklet:

**Administrator** means Delta Dental Insurance Company ("Delta Dental") or other entity designated by Delta Dental of Pennsylvania, operating as an Administrator in the state of Maryland. Certain functions described in the Contract and in this booklet may be performed by the Administrator, as designated by Delta Dental. The mailing address for the Administrator is P.O. Box 1803, Alpharetta, GA 30023. The Administrator will answer calls directed to 844-697-0578, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

**Authorization** means the process by which the Administrator determines if a procedure or treatment is a referable Benefit under the Enrollee's plan.

Benefits mean those dental services which are provided under the terms of the Group Dental Service Contract and described in this booklet.

**Contract Dentist** means a Dentist who provides services in general dentistry and who has agreed to provide Benefits to Enrollees under this Program.

**Contract Orthodontist** means a Dentist who specializes in orthodontics and who has agreed to provide Benefits to Enrollees under this Program.

**Contract Specialist** means a Dentist who provides Specialist Services and who has agreed to provide Benefits to Enrollees under this Program.

**Copayment** means the amount charged to an Enrollee by a Contract Dentist for the Benefits provided under this Program.

**Dentist** means a duly licensed Dentist legally entitled to practice dentistry at the time and in the state or jurisdiction in which services are performed.

**Eligible Dependent** means any dependent of an Eligible Employee who is eligible for Benefits as recognized by the Group and/or state law.

**Eligible Employee** means any employee or group member who is eligible for Benefits as recognized by the Group and/or state law.

**Emergency Services** mean only those dental services immediately required for alleviation of severe pain, swelling or bleeding, or immediately required to avoid placing the Enrollee's health in serious jeopardy.

**Enrollee** means an Eligible Employee ("Primary Enrollee") or an Eligible Dependent ("Dependent Enrollee") enrolled to receive Benefits.

**Group** means the applicant (employer or other organization) contracting to obtain Benefits for Eligible Employees.

**Open Enrollment Period** means the period of time during the year in which Eligible Employees/retirees can make a change in their Benefits.

**Optional** means any alternative procedure presented by the Contract Dentist that satisfies the same dental need as a covered procedure, is chosen by the Enrollee and is subject to the limitations and exclusions of the Contract.

**Out-of-Network** means treatment by a Dentist who has not signed an agreement with Delta Dental to provide Benefits under the terms of the Contract.

**Specialist Services** mean services performed by a Dentist who specializes in the practice of oral surgery, endodontics, periodontics or pediatric dentistry, and which must be authorized by the Administrator.

We, Us or Our means Delta Dental or the Administrator, as appropriate.

#### **Eligibility for Benefits**

Eligible Employees and Eligible Dependents (includes children up to age 26) receive Benefits as soon as they are enrolled in the Program.

Eligible Dependents become eligible on:

- 1) the date you are eligible for coverage;
- 2) as soon as an Eligible Dependent becomes your dependent, or at any time subject to a change in legal custody or lawful order to provide Benefits.

The dependents of Primary Enrollees are eligible to enroll on the same date that the employee, of whom they are a dependent, becomes a Primary Enrollee. Later-acquired dependents become eligible as soon as they acquire dependent status. Coverage is also extended to any child who is recognized under a Qualified Medical Child Support Order (QMCSO). If employee is not currently enrolled, we shall enroll both the employee and the child, without regard to enrollment period restrictions, within 20 business days of receipt of a child medical support order. If the employee is currently enrolled and a child is eligible for enrollment, we shall complete the enrollment without regard to enrollment period restrictions, within 20 business days of receipt of a child medical support order.

Coverage for a child covered by a medical support order will remain in effect unless written evidence is provided to Delta Dental that:

- 1) the order is no longer in effect;
- 2) the child has been, or will be, enrolled under other reasonable dental insurance coverage that will take effect on or before the effective date of the termination;
- 3) the employer has eliminated dependent coverage for all of its employees; or
- 4) the Primary Enrollee is no longer eligible for coverage, except that the Primary Enrollee may then elect continuation coverage for the child under COBRA, if applicable.

Notwithstanding any limiting age stated in this EOC, any unmarried child covered under this EOC as a dependent of an Enrollee who is chiefly dependent for support upon the Enrollee, and who, at the time of reaching the limiting age, is incapable of self-support because of mental or physical incapacity that commenced prior to the child's attaining the limiting age, shall continue to be covered under this EOC while remaining so dependent, unmarried, and mentally or physically incapacitated, until the coverage on the Enrollee upon whom the child is dependent terminates.

Dependents on active military duty are not eligible. No Eligible Dependent may be enrolled under more than one Eligible Employee/retiree. Medicare eligibility shall not affect the eligibility of an Eligible Employee or an Eligible Dependent.

#### **Special Enrollment Periods – Enrollment Changes**

After the effective date, you can change your enrollment during the Open Enrollment Period. There are also special enrollment periods when the Primary Enrollee may add or remove himself/herself and his/her Dependent Enrollees. These life change events include:

- 1) birth of a child or grandchild;
- 2) adoption of a child;
- 3) court order of placement or custody of a child;
- 4) loss of other coverage;
- 5) marriage or other lawful union between two adults.

If you enrolled, or are eligible to enroll, a new dependent or yourself as a result of one of these events, you must supply the required enrollment change information to your Group within 60 days of the date of the life change event. The dependent must meet the definition of Eligible Dependent as determined by State of Maryland.

The Primary Enrollee may also add or remove dependents or change plans for the reasons defined by and during the timeframes specified by applicable law or regulation.

Except for newborn or adopted children, coverage for the new dependent will begin on the date specified in the enrollment information provided to us as long as the premium is paid.

Newborns of an Enrollee may be enrolled from the moment of birth. Adopted children may be enrolled from the date of adoption or placement, except for those adopted or placed within 60 days of birth who may be a Dependent Enrollee from the moment of birth. In order for coverage of newborn or adopted children to continue beyond the first 60 day period, if additional premium is required to cover a newly enrolled dependent child, the child's enrollment information must be provided to us and the required premium must be paid. A minor for whom quardianship is granted by court or testamentary appointment may be enrolled from the date of appointment.

Dependent coverage may only be terminated when certain life change events occur including death, divorce or dissolution of the union, reaching the limiting age or during Open Enrollment Periods.

#### **Late Enrollment**

If you or your dependent(s) are not enrolled within 60 days of initial eligibility or during the special enrollment period specified for a life change event, you or your dependent(s) cannot enroll until the next special enrollment period or Open Enrollment Period. If you are required by court order to provide coverage for a dependent child, you will be permitted to enroll the dependent child without regard to enrollment season restrictions.

#### **Voluntary Disenrollment**

If you choose to drop your coverage or your dependent's coverage under this Program at any time during the contract term or during the Open Enrollment Period, you will only be permitted to reenroll yourself or your dependents during a future Open Enrollment Period or upon the occurrence of a qualifying status change.

#### **Premiums**

This Program requires premiums to be paid to us. If you are required to pay all or any portion of the premiums, you will be advised of the amount prior to enrollment and it will be deducted from your earnings by payroll deduction. The Group will be responsible for sending all payments of premiums to us.

## How to use the DeltaCare USA Program - Choice of Contract Dentist

To enroll in this Program, you must select a Contract Dentist for both yourself and any Dependent Enrollee from the list of Contract Dentists furnished during the enrollment process. Collectively, you and your Eligible Dependents may select no more than three Contract Dentist facilities. If you fail to select a Contract Dentist or the Contract Dentist selected becomes unavailable, the Administrator will request the selection of another Contract Dentist or assign you to a Contract Dentist. You may change your assigned Contract Dentist by directing a request to the Customer Service department, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at 844-697-0578. In order to ensure that your Contract Dentist is notified and our eligibility lists are correct, changes in Contract Dentists must be requested prior to the 21<sup>st</sup> of the month for changes to be effective the first day of the following month.

Shortly after enrollment, you will receive a DeltaCare USA membership packet that tells you the effective date of your Program and the address and telephone number of your Contract Dentist. After the effective date in your membership packet, you may obtain dental services which are Benefits. To make an appointment, simply call your Contract Dentist's facility and identify yourself as a DeltaCare USA Enrollee. Initial appointments should be scheduled within four weeks unless a specific time has been requested. Inquiries regarding availability of appointments and accessibility of Dentists should be directed to the Customer Service department at 844-697-0578.

EACH ENROLLEE MUST GO TO HIS OR HER ASSIGNED CONTRACT DENTIST TO OBTAIN COVERED SERVICES, EXCEPT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY A SPECIALIST REFERRED BY A CONTRACT DENTIST, OR FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES REQUIRED DURING NON-BUSINESS HOURS, WHILE 35 MILES OR MORE FROM THE CONTRACT DENTIST'S FACILITY OR WHEN THE ENROLLEE IS UNABLE TO REACH THEIR CONTRACT DENTIST. ANY OTHER TREATMENT IS NOT COVERED UNDER THIS PROGRAM, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTION:

If, during the term of the Contract, none of the Contract Dentists can render necessary care and treatment to the Enrollee due to circumstances not reasonably within the control of Delta Dental or the Administrator, such as complete or partial destruction of facilities, war, riot, civil insurrection, labor disputes or the disability of a significant number of the Contract Dentists, then the Enrollee may seek treatment from an independent licensed Dentist of his/her own choosing. The Administrator will pay the Enrollee for the expenses incurred for the dental

services with the following limitations: the Administrator will pay the Enrollee for services which are listed in the Description of Benefits and Copayments, as No Cost, to the extent that such fees are reasonable and customary for Dentists in the same geographic area; the Administrator will also pay the Enrollee for those services listed in the Description of Benefits and Copayments for which there is a Copayment, to the extent that the reasonable and customary fees for such services exceed the Copayment for such services provided under this Program. The Enrollee may be required to give written proof of loss. Delta Dental and the Administrator agree to be subject to the jurisdiction of the Maryland Insurance Commissioner in any determination of the impossibility of providing services by Contract Dentists.

#### **Benefits, Limitations and Exclusions**

This Program provides the Benefits described in the *Description of Benefits and Copayments* subject to the limitations and exclusions. The services are performed as deemed appropriate by your attending Contract Dentist. The Administrator relies on the professional judgment of the general Dentist to diagnose the appropriate efficient and prudent solution to your dental needs based on the plan Benefits. A Contract Dentist may provide services either personally or through associated Dentists, technicians or hygienists who may lawfully perform the services.

## **Copayments and Other Charges**

You are required to pay any Copayments listed in the *Description of Benefits and Copayments* directly to the Dentist who provides treatment. Charges for visits after normal visiting hours are listed in the *Description of Benefits and Copayments*.

## **Emergency Services**

You should contact your assigned Contract Dentist for Emergency Services for covered dental procedures whenever possible. If you are unable to reach your Contract Dentist for Emergency Services, you should call the Customer Service department, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at 844-697-0578 for assistance in obtaining urgent care. During non-business hours, or if you are 35 miles or more from your assigned Contract Dentist, you do not need a referral and may seek treatment from a Dentist other than your assigned Contract Dentist.

Benefits for emergency treatment received from any Dentist, other than the assigned Contract Dentist, are limited to a maximum of \$100.00 per Enrollee, per emergency. You are responsible for the Copayment(s) as well as any charges over the \$100.00 benefit maximum. Emergency dental care is limited to palliative treatment for the elimination of dental pain. Further treatment must be authorized by Delta Dental or obtained from the assigned Contract Dentist.

#### **Specialist Services**

Specialist Services for oral surgery, endodontics, periodontics or pediatric dentistry must be referred by the assigned Contract Dentist and authorized by the Administrator. All authorized Specialist Services will be paid by us less any applicable Copayments.

We will authorize continuing care from a specialist if your Contract Dentist determines that you have a life-threatening, degenerative, chronic or disabling dental condition or dental disease that requires continuing care from a specialist. We will authorize a referral to a specialist who is not a Contract Specialist if 1) you are diagnosed with a condition or disease that requires specialized health care services or medical care; and 2) we do not have a Contract Specialist with the professional training and expertise to treat or provide health care services for the condition or disease; or 3) we cannot provide reasonable access to a Contract Specialist with the professional training and expertise to treat or provide health care services for the condition or disease without unreasonable delay or travel.

If the assigned Contract Dentist refers you to a specialist who is not a Contract Specialist for covered dental services, we will be responsible for payment of the specialist's charges that exceed the Copayment specified in the Contract. You will only be liable for the same fees and/or Copayments that you would pay to a Contract Specialist for the same treatment.

If the services of a Contract Orthodontist are needed, please refer to Orthodontics in the *Description of Benefits* and *Copayments* and limitations and exclusions to determine which procedures are covered under this Program.

Services provided by a health care professional not listed within this section are not covered.

#### **Claims for Reimbursement**

Claims for covered Emergency Services or authorized Specialist Services must be submitted to the Administrator within 90 days of the end of treatment. Valid claims received after the 90 day period will be reviewed if you can show that it was not reasonably possible to submit the claim within that time. Except in the absence of legal capacity of the claimant, all claims must be received within one year from the time proof is otherwise required. The address for claims submission is Claims Department, P.O. Box 1810, Alpharetta, GA 30023.

In the event we fail to pay a Contract Dentist or Contract Specialist, you will not be liable to that Dentist for any sums owed by us. Except for the provisions in *Emergency Services*, if you have received unauthorized treatment from an Out-of-Network Dentist you will be liable to that Dentist for the cost of services. For further clarification, refer to the provisions for *Emergency Services* and *Specialist Services*.

If you are treated by an Out-of-Network Dentist for:

- 1) an emergency (subject to the *Emergency Services* provisions described above); or
- 2) specialized dental care and are referred to an Out-of-Network specialist because the Administrator does not have a Contract Specialist with the professional training or expertise in treating that particular dental disease or condition; or
- 3) specialized dental care and are referred to an Out-of-Network specialist because no Contract Specialist is available to provide the required services without unreasonable delay or travel; then you shall only be liable for the same fees and/or Copayments that you would pay to a Contract Dentist for the same treatment. These Copayments can be found in *Schedule A*.

We will provide a noninsuring parent with membership cards, claim forms and any other information necessary for a child covered by a medical support order to receive benefits under this Program. If a non-insuring parent incurs expenses for covered Emergency Services or authorized Specialist Services provided to this child, we will process claims for such services and make payment to the noninsuring parent, health care provider or Department of Health and Mental Hygiene as appropriate.

#### **Coordination of Benefits**

This Program provides Benefits without regard to coverage by any other group insurance policy or any other group health benefits program if the other policy or program covers services or expenses in addition to dental care. Otherwise, Benefits provided under this Program by specialists or Out-of-Network Dentists are coordinated with any similar benefits provided by any other group dental insurance policy or any group dental benefits program.

The determination of which policy or program is primary shall be governed by the following rules:

- 1) The policy or program covering the Enrollee as other than a dependent shall be primary over the policy or program covering the Enrollee as a dependent.
- 2) The policy or program covering the Enrollee as an employee is primary over a policy or program covering the insured person as a dependent; except that if the insured person is also a Medicare beneficiary, and as a result of the rule established by Title XVIII of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations, Medicare is:
  - a) Secondary to the policy or program covering the insured person as a dependent; and
  - b) Primary to the policy or program covering the insured person as other than a dependent (e.g. a retired employee), then the benefits of the policy or program covering the insured person as a dependent are determined before those of the policy or program covering that insured person as other than a dependent.
- 3) Except as stated in paragraph (4), when this Program and another policy or program cover the same child as a dependent of different persons, called parents:
  - a) The benefits of the policy or program of the parent whose birthday falls earlier in a year are determined before those of the policy or program of the parent whose birthday falls later in that year; but

- b) If both parents have the same birthday, the benefits of the policy or program covering one parent longer are determined before those of the policy or program covering the other parent for a shorter period of time.
- c) However, if the other policy or program does not have the birthday rule described above, but instead has a rule based on the gender of the parent, and if, as a result, the policies or programs do not agree on the order of benefits, the rule in the other policy or program determines the order of benefits.
- 4) Unless there is a court decree stating otherwise, in the case of a dependent child of legally separated or divorced parents, or parents who are not living together, whether or not they have ever been married, the order of benefits for the child are as follows: (1) the policy or program covering the Enrollee as a dependent of the parent with legal custody; (2) as a dependent of the custodial parent's spouse (i.e. stepparent); (3) the policy or program covering the Enrollee as a dependent of the parent without legal custody; and then (4) the policy or program covering the non-custodial parent's spouse.
- 5) If there is a court decree establishing financial responsibility for the health care expenses with respect to the child, the benefits of a policy or program covering the child as a dependent of the parent with such financial responsibility will be determined before the benefits of any other policy or program covering the child as a dependent child.
- 6) If a court decree states that both parents are responsible for the dependent child's health care expenses or health care coverage, the provisions of paragraph (3) shall determine the order of benefits.
- 7) If the specific terms of a court decree state that the parents will share joint custody without stating that one of the parents is responsible for the health care expenses of the child, the policies or programs covering the child will follow the order of benefit determination rules outlined in paragraph (3).
- 8) For a dependent child who has coverage under either or both parents' policies or programs and also has his or her own coverage as a dependent under a spouse's policy or program, the policy or program that covered the person for the longer period of time is the primary policy or program and the policy or program that covered the person for the shorter period of time is the secondary policy or program. In the event the dependent child's coverage under the spouse's policy or program began on the same date as the dependent child's coverage under either or both parents' policies or programs, the order of benefits shall be determined by applying the birthday rule in paragraph (3) to the dependent child's parent(s) and the dependent's spouse.
- 9) The benefits of a policy or program covering an insured person as an employee who is neither laid-off nor retired are determined before those of a policy or program covering that insured person as a laid-off or retired employee. The same would hold true if an insured person is a dependent of a person covered as a retiree or an employee. If the other policy or program does not have this rule, and if, as a result, the policies or programs do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule (9) is ignored.
- 10) If an insured person whose coverage is provided under a right of continuation pursuant to federal or state law also is covered under another policy or program, the following will be the order of benefit determination.
  - a) First, the benefits of a policy or program covering the insured person as an employee (or as that insured person's dependent).
  - b) Second, the benefits under the continuation coverage.
  - c) If the other policy or program does not have the rule described above, and if, as a result, the policies or programs do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule (10) is ignored.
- 11) If the primary policy or program cannot be determined by the proceeding rules, the policy or program which has covered the Enrollee for a longer period of time shall be primary and the policy or program that covered the Enrollee for the shorter period of time is the secondary plan.

When this plan is secondary, it may reduce its Benefits so that the total Benefits paid or provided by all plans during a claim determination period are not more than 100 percent of total Allowable Expenses.

"Allowable Expense" is defined as a service or expense, including deductibles and Copayments, that is covered at least in part by any of the plans covering the person.

The difference between the Benefit payments that this plan would have paid had it been the primary plan, and the Benefit payments that it actually paid or provided shall be recorded as a Benefit reserve for the covered person and used by this plan to pay any Allowable Expenses, not otherwise paid during the claim determination period. As each claim is submitted, this plan will:

- 1) determine its obligation to pay or provide Benefits under its Contract;
- 2) determine whether a Benefit reserve has been recorded for the covered person, and
- 3) determine whether there are any unpaid Allowable Expenses during that claims determination period.

If there is a Benefit reserve, the secondary plan will use the covered person's Benefit reserve to pay up to 100% of the total Allowable Expenses incurred during the claim determination period. At the end of the claims determination period, the Benefit reserve returns to zero. A new Benefit reserve must be created for each new claim determination period.

If a covered person is enrolled in two or more closed panel plans and if, for any reason, including the provision of service by a non-panel provider, Benefits are not payable by one closed panel plan, COB shall not apply between that plan and other closed panel plans.

An Enrollee shall provide to the Administrator, and the Administrator may release to or obtain from any insurance company or other organization, any information about the Enrollee that is needed to administer coordination of benefits. The Administrator will, in its sole discretion, determine whether any reimbursement to an insurance company or other organization is warranted under these coordination of benefits provisions, and any such reimbursement will be deemed to be Benefits under this Program. The Administrator will have the right to recover from a Dentist, Enrollee, insurance company or other organization, as it chooses, the amount of any Benefits paid by the Administrator which exceeds its obligations under these coordination of benefit provisions.

#### **Appeal Procedure**

The following contains important information about how to file an Appeal. If you are dissatisfied with our benefit determination on a claim, you may Appeal our decision by following the steps outlined in this procedure. We will resolve your Appeal in a thorough, appropriate and timely manner. You, your Authorized Representative or your Health Care Provider may submit written comments, documents, records and other information relating to claims or Appeals. You may call the Customer Service Department at 844-697-0578 or write to us at P.O. Box 1860, Alpharetta, GA 30023. We will provide a review that takes into account all information submitted whether or not it was considered with its first determination on the claim. Any notifications by us required under these procedures will be supplied to you, your Authorized Representative or your Health Care Provider.

#### **Definitions**

The following terms when used in this procedure have the meanings shown below.

"Appeal" is a protest filed by you, your Authorized Representative or a Health Care Provider with us under our internal appeal process regarding a Coverage Decision.

"Appeal Decision" is a final determination by us that arises from an Appeal filed with us under our Appeal procedure regarding a Coverage Decision.

"Authorized Representative" is a person granted authority to act on your behalf regarding a claim for benefit or an Appeal of a Coverage Decision. An assignment of benefits is not a grant of authority to act on your behalf in pursuing a Coverage Decision.

"Claim for Benefits" is a request for a plan benefit or benefits by you in accordance with the Plan's reasonable procedure for filing benefit claims, including Pre-service and Post-service Claims.

"Compelling Reason" means that a delay in receiving health care service could result in loss of life, serious impairment to a bodily function, or serious dysfunction of a bodily organ or part, or the Enrollee remaining seriously mentally ill with symptoms that cause the Enrollee to be in danger to self or others.

"Complaint" is a protest filed with the Commissioner involving a Coverage Decision.

"Coverage Decision" is:

- 1) The initial determination by us resulting in non-coverage of a dental care service.
- 2) The determination by us that you are not eligible for coverage.
- 3) A determination by us that results in a rescission of coverage.

The Company does not make utilization review determinations based on dental necessity or appropriateness. A Coverage Decision is not an adverse decision.

"Health Care Provider" is an individual who is licensed under the Health Occupations Article to provide health care services in the ordinary course of business or practices of a profession and is a treating provider of the Enrollee or a Hospital.

"Hospital" means an institution that: has a group of at least five (5) physicians who are organized as a medical staff for the institution; maintains facilities to provide, under the supervision of the medical staff, diagnostic and treatment services for two (2) or more unrelated individuals; and admits or retains the individuals for overnight care.

"Pre-service Claim" is a Claim for Benefits under the Plan when the terms of the Plan condition receipt of the benefit, in whole or in part, on approval of the benefit in advance of obtaining dental care.

"Post-service Claim" ("Claim") is any Claim for Benefits under a group health plan that is not a Pre-service Claim.

#### Procedure for Pre-Service Claim

You, your Health Care Provider or your Authorized Representative have 180 days from the date you or your Authorized Representative received notice of the Coverage Decision to appeal the decision. To file an appeal, you may call the Customer Service Department at 844-697-0578 or the appeal may be addressed in writing to:

Quality Management Department P.O. Box 1860 Alpharetta, GA 30023

The dentist advisor involved in the appeal will be different from and not a subordinate of the dentist advisor involved in the adverse determination on initial Claim for Benefits. We will provide you, your Health Care Provider or your Authorized Representative with written or electronic notice of our Coverage Decision within 30 days after a Coverage Decision has been made. The notice of our Coverage Decision will include the following:

- a) The specific factual basis for our decision in detailed and clear understandable language;
- b) A reference to specific plan provisions on which the decision was based;
- c) A statement that you, your Health Care Provider or your Authorized Representative is entitled reasonable access to and copies of all relevant documents, records and criteria. This includes an explanation of clinical judgment on which the decision was based and identification of the dental experts. All such information is available upon request and is free of charge;
- d) A statement of your, your Health Care Provider's or your Authorized Representative's right to bring a civil action under ERISA;
- e) A statement that you, your Health Care Provider or your Authorized Representative has a right to file an Appeal with us. Our internal appeal process must be exhausted before you may file a Complaint with the Commissioner of Insurance:
- f) A statement that you, your Health Care Provider or your Authorized Representative may file a Complaint with the Commissioner without first filing an Appeal if the Coverage Decision involves an urgent medical condition for which care has not been rendered. The Commissioner's address is as follows:

Commissioner **Maryland Insurance Administration** 200 St. Paul Place, Suite 2700 Baltimore, MD 21202 Phone: 410-468-2000 or 800-492-6116

Fax: 410-468-2270

g) A statement that the Health Advocacy Unit is available to assist you in both mediating and filing an Appeal under our internal appeal process. You may contact the Health Advocacy Unit at:

> **Maryland Office of the Attorney General Health Education and Advocacy Unit** 200 St. Paul Place, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Baltimore, MD 21202

Phone: 410-528-1840 or toll-free: 877-261-8807

Fax: 410-576-6571

Email: heau@oag.state.md.us

Website: http://www.oag.state.md.us

#### **Procedure for Post-Service Claim**

You, your Health Care Provider or your Authorized Representative may file an Appeal with us upon the receipt of a Coverage Decision. To file an appeal, you may call the Customer Service Department at 844-697-0578 or the appeal may be addressed in writing to:

> **Quality Management Department** P.O. Box 1860 Alpharetta, GA 30023

We will review the claim and notify you of our decision within thirty (30) working days of the request for an Appeal. Within thirty (30) calendar days after a Coverage Decision has been made, we will send a written notice of the Coverage Decision to you or your Authorized Representative and the treating provider.

The notice of Coverage Decision from us shall include:

- 1) The specific factual basis for our decision in detailed and clear, understandable language.
- 2) A statement that you, your Health Care Provider or your Authorized Representative has a right to file an Appeal with us. Our internal appeal process must be exhausted before you may file a Complaint with the Commissioner of Insurance.
- 3) A statement that you, your Health Care Provider or your Authorized Representative may file a Complaint with the Commissioner without first filing an Appeal if the Coverage Decision involves an urgent medical condition for which care has not been rendered. The Commissioner's address is as follows:

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#### **Appeals Procedure**

You may request reconsideration of a Coverage Decision by submitting a written Appeal to us. We will reconsider the Coverage Decision. The Appeal will be reviewed and a final decision rendered. The final decision will be in writing to you or your Authorized Representative and the Health Care Provider within sixty (60) working days after the date on which the Appeal is filed.

The final decision will include a written notice of the Appeal decision. Written notice of the Appeal decision will be sent within thirty (30) calendar days of the Appeal decision to you or your Authorized Representative and the Health Care Provider acting on your behalf. The notice of the Appeal decision shall include the following:

- a) The specific factual basis for our decision in detailed and clear, understandable language.
- b) That you, your Health Care Provider or your Authorized Representative has a right to file a Complaint with the Commissioner within four (4) months after receipt of our Appeal decision, including the contact information as indicated above. The Commissioner's address is as follows:

Commissioner
Maryland Insurance Administration
200 St. Paul Place, Suite 2700
Baltimore, MD 21202
Phone: 410-468-2000 or 800-492-6116

Fax: 410-468-2270

c) A statement that the Health Advocacy Unit is available to assist you in filing a complaint with the Commissioner. You may contact the Health Advocacy Unit at:

Maryland Office of the Attorney General Health Education and Advocacy Unit 200 St. Paul Place, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Baltimore, MD 21202

Phone: 410-528-1840 or toll-free: 877-261-8807

Fax: 410-576-6571

Email: heau@oag.state.md.us

Website: http://www.oag.state.md.us

#### **Issues other than Coverage Decisions**

For issues such as Complaints about your dental office, enrollment issues or the general operation of the Plan, please contact the Maryland Insurance Administration at the address and telephone number listed above.

#### **Renewal and Termination of Benefits**

All Benefits terminate for any Enrollee as of the date that this Program is terminated, such person ceases to be eligible under the terms of this Program or such person's enrollment is canceled under the terms of this Program. Delta Dental is not obligated to continue to provide Benefits to any such person in such event except for the following situations:

Delta Dental will continue to provide Benefits for treatment in progress (less any applicable Copayment) if the treatment:

- 1) began before the date coverage terminates; and
- 2) requires two or more visits on separate days to the assigned Contract Dentist's facility.

Benefits will cease 90 days after termination of coverage.

If you or your dependents are receiving orthodontic treatment at the time of termination, Delta Dental will continue to provide orthodontic Benefits for:

- 1) 60 days if you are making monthly payments to your Contract Orthodontist; or
- 2) until the later of 60 days or the end of the quarter in progress, if you are making quarterly payments to your Contract Orthodontist.

At the end of 60 days (or at the end of the quarter), the Enrollee's obligation shall increase to a maximum of the Contract Orthodontist's usual fee for Enrollees and covered dependents to age 19 and the Contract Orthodontist's usual fee for Enrollees and covered dependents over age 19.

The Contract Orthodontist will prorate the amount over the number of months remaining in the initial 24 months of treatment. The Enrollee will make payments based on an arrangement with the Contract Orthodontist.

If a Contract Dentist or Contract Orthodontist is aware that this Program has terminated, the Contract Dentist or Contract Orthodontist shall inform any previously enrolled persons who visit his/her dental office of the termination and of all charges for scheduled dental services before they are performed.

#### Cancellation of Enrollment

Subject to any continued coverage option, an Eligible Employee's or Eligible Dependent's enrollment under this Program may be canceled, or renewal of enrollment refused, in the following events:

- 1) immediately:
  - a) upon loss of eligibility as described in this Evidence of Coverage; or
  - b) if an Enrollee engages in conduct detrimental to safe operations and the delivery of services while in a Contract Dentist's facility;
- 2) upon 15 days written notice if:
  - a) the Enrollee knowingly commits or permits another person to commit fraud or deception in obtaining Benefits under this Program;
- 3) upon 30 days written notice if:
  - a) the Contract is terminated or not renewed;
  - b) the Enrollee fails to pay Copayments. However, the Enrollee may be reinstated during the term of the Contract upon payment of all delinquent charges; or
  - c) a satisfactory dentist-patient relationship fails to be established with multiple contract facilities. The Administrator must show that it has, in good faith, provided the Enrollee with the opportunity to select an alternative Contract Dentist.

If the Enrollee establishes a history of unsatisfactory relationships, the Administrator will notify the Enrollee in writing, at least 30 days in advance, that Delta Dental considers the dentist-patient relationships to be unsatisfactory. The Administrator will also specify the changes that are necessary in order to avoid cancellation and show that the Enrollee failed to make these changes.

Cancellation of a Primary Enrollee's enrollment shall automatically cancel the enrollment of any of his or her Dependent Enrollees.

#### Contestability

The Contract may not be contested by Delta Dental, except for nonpayment of premiums, after it has been in force for 2 years from the effective date. Absent fraud, each statement made by an applicant, group contract holder or Enrollee is considered to be a representation and not a warranty. A statement made to effectuate coverage may not be used to avoid the coverage or reduce Benefits under the Contract unless: 1) the statement is contained in a written instrument signed by the group contract holder or Enrollee, and 2) a copy of the statement is given to the group contract holder or Enrollee.

## **Legal Actions**

An action at law or in equity may not be brought to recover on the Contract before the expiration of 60 days after written proof of loss has been furnished in accordance with the requirements of the Contract or after the expiration of 3 years after the written proof of loss is required to be furnished.

## **Optional Continuation of Coverage**

The federal Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (or COBRA, pertaining to certain employers having 20 or more employees) requires that continued health care coverage be made available to "Qualified Beneficiaries" who lose health care coverage under the group plan as a result of a "Qualifying Event." You may

be entitled to continue coverage under this plan, at your expense, if certain conditions are met. The period of continued coverage depends on the Qualifying Event.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The meaning of key terms used in this section is shown below.

#### **Qualified Beneficiary** means:

- you and/or your dependents who are enrolled in the Delta Dental plan on the day before the Qualifying Event: or
- 2) a child who is born to or placed for adoption with you during the period of continued coverage, provided such child is enrolled within 60 days of birth or placement for adoption.

**Qualifying Event** means any of the following events which, except for the election of this continued coverage, would result in a loss of coverage under the dental plan:

- Event 1. the termination of employment (other than termination for gross misconduct) or the reduction in work hours, by your employer;
- Event 2. your death;
- Event 3. your divorce or legal separation from your spouse;
- Event 4. your dependent's loss of dependent status under the plan; and
- Event 5. as to your dependents only, your entitlement to Medicare.

You or your means the Primary Enrollee.

#### PERIODS OF CONTINUED COVERAGE

Qualified Beneficiaries may continue coverage for 18 months following the month in which Qualifying Event 1 occurs.

This 18 month period can be extended for a total of 29 months, provided:

- a determination is made under Title II or Title XVI of the Social Security Act that an individual is disabled on the date of the Qualifying Event or becomes disabled at any time during the first 60 days of continued coverage; and
- 2) notice of the determination is given to the employer during the initial 18 months of continued coverage and within 60 days of the date of the determination.

This period of coverage will end on the first day of the month that begins more than 30 days after the date of the final determination that the disabled individual is no longer disabled. You must notify your employer within 30 days of any such determination.

If, during the 18 months continuation period resulting from Qualifying Event 1, your dependents, who are Qualified Beneficiaries, experience Qualifying Events 2, 3, 4 or 5, they may choose to extend coverage for up to a total of 36 months (inclusive of the period continued under Qualifying Event 1).

Your dependents, who are Qualified Beneficiaries, may continue coverage for 36 months following the occurrence of Qualifying Events 2, 3, 4 or 5.

When an employer has filed for bankruptcy under Title 11, United States Code, benefits may be substantially reduced or eliminated for retired employees and their dependents, or the surviving spouse of a deceased retired employee. If this benefit reduction or elimination occurs within one year before or one year after the filing, it is considered a Qualifying Event. If the Primary Enrollee is a retiree, and has lost coverage because of this Qualifying Event, he or she may choose to continue coverage until his or her death. The Primary Enrollee's dependents who have lost coverage because of this Qualifying Event may choose to continue coverage for up to 36 months following the Primary Enrollee's death.

#### **ELECTION OF CONTINUED COVERAGE**

Your employer shall notify Delta Dental within 30 days of Qualifying Event 1. A Qualified Beneficiary must notify his or her employer in writing within 60 days of Qualifying Events 2, 3, 4 or 5, or within 60 days of receiving the election notice from the employer. Otherwise, the option of continued coverage will be lost.

Within 14 days of receiving notice of a Qualifying Event, the employer will provide a Qualified Beneficiary with the necessary benefits information, monthly premium charge, enrollment forms and instructions to allow election of continued coverage.

A Qualified Beneficiary will then have 60 days to give his or her employer written notice of the election to continue coverage. Failure to provide this written notice of election to the employer within 60 days will result in loss of the right to continue coverage.

A Qualified Beneficiary has 45 days from the written election of continued coverage to pay the initial premium to his or her employer, which includes the premium for each month since the loss of coverage. Failure to pay the required premium within the 45 days will result in loss of the right to continue coverage and any premium received after that will be returned to the Qualified Beneficiary.

#### CONTINUED COVERAGE BENEFITS

The Benefits under the continued coverage will be the same as those provided to active employees and their dependents who are still enrolled in the dental plan. If the employer changes the coverage for active employees, the continued coverage will change as well. Premiums will be adjusted to reflect the changes made.

#### TERMINATION OF CONTINUED COVERAGE

A Qualified Beneficiary's coverage will terminate at the end of the month in which any of the following events first occur:

- 1) the allowable number of consecutive months of continued coverage is reached;
- 2) failure to pay the required premiums in a timely manner;
- 3) the employer ceases to provide any group dental plan to its employees;
- 4) the individual moves out of the plan's service area;
- 5) the individual first obtains coverage for dental Benefits, after the date of the election of continued coverage, under another group health plan (as an employee or dependent) which does not contain or apply any exclusion or limitation with respect to any pre-existing condition of such a person, if that pre-existing condition is covered under this plan; or
- 6) entitlement to Medicare.

The employer shall notify Delta Dental within 60 days of the occurrence of any of the above events. Once continued coverage ends, it cannot be reinstated.

#### TERMINATION OF THE EMPLOYER'S DENTAL CONTRACT

If the dental contract between the employer and Delta Dental terminates prior to the time that the continuation coverage would otherwise terminate, the employer shall notify a Qualified Beneficiary either 30 days prior to the termination or when all Enrollees are notified, whichever is later, of the ability to elect continuation of coverage under the employer's subsequent dental plan, if any. The continuation coverage will be provided only for the balance of the period that a Qualified Beneficiary would have remained covered under the Delta Dental plan had such plan with the former employer not terminated. The employer shall notify the successor plan in writing of the Qualified Beneficiaries receiving continuation coverage so they may be notified of how to continue coverage. The continuation coverage will terminate if a Qualified Beneficiary fails to comply with the requirements pertaining to enrollment in and payment of premiums to the new group benefit plan.

#### OPEN ENROLLMENT CHANGE OF COVERAGE

A Qualified Beneficiary may elect to change continuation coverage during any subsequent open enrollment period if the employer has contracted with another plan to provide coverage to its active employees. The continuation coverage under the other plan will be provided only for the balance of the period that a Qualified Beneficiary would have remained under the Delta Dental plan.

## SCHEDULE A **Description of Benefits and Copayments**

The benefits shown below are performed as deemed appropriate by the attending Contract Dentist subject to the limitations and exclusions of the Program. Please refer to Schedule B for further clarification of benefits. Enrollees should discuss all treatment options with their Contract Dentist prior to services being rendered.

Text that appears in italics below is specifically intended to clarify the delivery of benefits under the DeltaCare USA Program and is not to be interpreted as CDT-2015 procedure codes, descriptors or nomenclature that are under copyright by the American Dental Association. The American Dental Association may periodically change CDT codes or definitions. Such updated codes, descriptors and nomenclature may be used to describe these covered procedures in compliance with federal legislation.

CODE		NROLLEE PAYS
	D0999 I. DIAGNOSTIC	Ф0.00
D0120	Periodic oral evaluation - established patient	
D0140	Limited oral evaluation - problem focused	
D0145	Oral evaluation for a patient under three years of age	
D0150	Comprehensive oral evaluation - new or established patient	
D0170	Re-evaluation - limited, problem focused (established patient; not post-operative visit)	
D0171	Re-evaluation - post-operative office visit	
D0180	Comprehensive periodontal evaluation - new or established patient	
D0190	Screening of a patient	
D0191	Assessment of a patient	
D0210	Intra-oral complete series - limited to 1 series per 3-year period	
D0220	Intraoral - periapical first radiographic image	
D0230	Intraoral - periapical each additional radiographic image	\$0.00
D0240	Intraoral - occlusal radiographic image	\$0.00
D0270	Bitewing - single radiographic image	\$0.00
D0272	Bitewings - two radiographic images	
D0273	Bitewings - three radiographic images	\$0.00
D0274	Bitewings - four radiographic images - limited to 1 series per 6 consecutive months through	
	and one series per 12 consecutive months for age 14 and older	
D0277	Vertical bitewings - 7 to 8 radiographic images	
D0330	Panoramic radiographic image - limited to 1 per 3-year period	
D0340	Cephalometric film	
D0460	Pulp vitality tests	
D0470	Diagnostic casts	
D0601	Caries risk assessment and documentation, with a finding of low risk -	φσ.σσ
2000.	limited to children age 3 to 19, 1 every 3 years	\$0.00
D0602	Caries risk assessment and documentation, with a finding of moderate risk -	
D0002	limited to children age 3 to 19, 1 every 3 years	\$0.00
D0603	Caries risk assessment and documentation, with a finding of high risk -	φο.σο
D0000	limited to children age 3 to 19, 1 every 3 years	\$0.00
D0999	Unspecified diagnostic procedure, by report - includes office visit, per visit (in addition to other	
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D1000	D1999 II. PREVENTIVE	
	additional Prophylaxis in a twelve consecutive month period for Members under the care of a	a madical
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	essional for pregnancy. Member Copayments on the Schedule of Benefits shall apply.	onult of
	ce maintainers only eligible for Members through age 18 when used to maintain space as a n	
•	naturely lost deciduous first and second molars, or permanent first molars that have not, or w	III HEVEI
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סדדוט	Prophylaxis cleaning - adult - 2 per plan year	

Prophylaxis cleaning - child - 2 per plan year.....\$0.00 

Topical application of fluoride - excluding varnish - 2 per plan year ......\$0.00

Oral hygiene instructions ......\$0.00

D1120

D1206

D1208 D1330

D1351

D1352	Preventive resin restoration in a moderate to high caries risk patient - permanent tooth - limite	
D1353	permanent molars through age 15 Sealant repair - per tooth limited to permanent first and second molars through age 15; 1 per	
	tooth per two years	
D1510	Space maintainer - fixed - unilateral - through age 18	
D1515	Space maintainer - fixed - bilateral - through age 18	
D1520	Space maintainer - removable - unilateral - through age 18	
D1555	Removal of fixed space maintainer	\$0.00
- Inclu proce - Repl	D2999 III. RESTORATIVE  Ides polishing, all adhesives and bonding agents, indirect pulp capping, bases, liners and acid edures  Idecement of crowns, inlays, onlays, buildups, post and cores requires the existing restoration to sold.  Amalgam - one surface, primary or permanent	be 5+ \$0.00 \$0.00
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	
D2510	Inlay - metallic - one surface	
D2520 D2530	Inlay - metallic - two surfaces	
D2530 D2542	Inlay - metallic - three or more surfaces Onlay - metallic - two surfaces	
D2542 D2543	Onlay - metallic - two surfaces	\$20.00 \$30.00
D2543 D2544	Onlay - metallic - four or more surfaces	
D2710	Crown - resin-based composite (indirect)	
D2710	Crown - ¾ resin-based composite (indirect)	
D2740	Crown - porcelain/ceramic substrate	
D2750	Crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal	
D2751	Crown - porcelain fused to predominantly base metal	
D2752	Crown - porcelain fused to noble metal	
D2780	Crown - ¾ cast high noble metal	
D2781	Crown - 3/4 cast predominantly base metal	
D2782	Crown - 3/4 cast noble metal	
D2783	Crown - 3/4 porcelain/ceramic	\$228.00
D2790	Crown - full cast high noble metal	\$228.00
D2791	Crown - full cast predominantly base metal	
D2792	Crown - full cast noble metal	
D2794	Crown - titanium	
D2910	Re-cement or re-bond inlay, onlay, veneer or partial coverage restorations	
D2920	Re-cement or re-bond crown	
D2921	Reattachment of tooth fragment, incisal edge or cusp (anterior)	
D2930	Prefabricated stainless steel crown - primary tooth - anterior primary tooth	
D2931	Prefabricated stainless steel crown - permanent tooth	
D2934 D2940	Prefabricated esthetic coated stainless steel crown - primary tooth  Protective restoration	
D2940 D2941	Interim therapeutic restoration - primary dentition	
D2941 D2949	Restorative foundation for an indirect restoration	
D2949 D2950	Core buildup, including any pins when required	
D2951	Pin retention - per tooth, in addition to restoration	
D2951	Post and core in addition to crown, indirectly fabricated - <i>includes canal preparation</i>	
D2953	Each additional indirectly fabricated post - same tooth - <i>includes canal preparation</i>	
D2954	Prefabricated post and core in addition to crown - <i>includes canal preparation</i>	
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D2957	Each additional prefabricated post - same tooth - includes canal preparation	
D2970 D2971	Temporary crown (fractured tooth) - palliative treatment only	
D297 I	Additional procedures to construct new crown under existing partial defiture framework	⊅∠3.00
D3000-	D3999 IV. ENDODONTICS	
D3110	Pulp cap - direct (excluding final restoration)	\$0.00
D3120	Pulp cap - indirect (excluding final restoration)	\$0.00
D3220	Therapeutic pulpotomy (excluding final restoration) - removal of pulp coronal to the	
	dentinocemental junction and application of medicament	
D3221	Pulpal debridement, primary and permanent teeth	
D3222	Partial pulpotomy for apexogenesis - permanent tooth with incomplete root development	\$25.00
D3230	Pulpal therapy (resorbable filling) - anterior, primary tooth (excluding final restoration) - through	
	age five on primary anterior teeth and through age 11 on primary posterior teeth	\$40.00
D3240	Pulpal therapy (resorbable filling) - posterior, primary tooth (excluding final restoration) - through	
<b>D</b>	age five on primary anterior teeth and through age 11 on primary posterior teeth	\$55.00
D3310	Root canal - endodontic therapy, anterior tooth (excluding final restoration) - one per tooth per	<b>#</b> 400.00
Doooo	lifetime	\$108.00
D3320	Root canal - endodontic therapy, bicuspid tooth (excluding final restoration) - one per tooth per	<b>#</b> 444.00
Doooo	lifetime	
D3330	Root canal - endodontic therapy, molar (excluding final restoration) - one per tooth per lifetime	
D3346	Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - anterior - one per tooth per lifetime	
D3347	Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - bicuspid - one per tooth per lifetime	
D3348	Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - molar - one per tooth per lifetime	
D3410 D3421	Apicoectomy - anterior	
D3421	Apicoectomy - molar (first root)	
D3425	Apicoectomy (each additional root)	
D3420	Periradicular surgery without apicoectomy	
D3450	Root amputation, per root	
D3920	Hemisection (including any root removal), not including root canal therapy	
	gical periodontal procedures - one per 24 consecutive month period per area of the mouth.  Ides preoperative and postoperative evaluations and treatment under a local anesthetic.  Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty - four or more contiguous teeth or tooth bounded spaces	
	per quadrant	\$125.00
D4211	Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty - one to three contiguous teeth or tooth bounded spaces	•
	per quadrant	\$50.00
	Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty to allow access for restorative procedure, per tooth	\$0.00
D4240	Gingival flap procedure, including root planing - four or more contiguous teeth or tooth	<b>#405.00</b>
D4044	bounded spaces per quadrant	\$135.00
D4241	Gingival flap procedure, including root planing - one to three contiguous teeth or tooth bounded spaces per quadrant	¢54.00
D4245	Apically positioned flap	•
D4249	Clinical crown lengthening - hard tissue - <i>one per tooth per lifetime</i>	
D4243	Osseous surgery (including elevation of a full thickness flap and closure) - four or more contiguous	
D-1200	teeth or tooth bounded spaces per quadrant	
D4261	Osseous surgery (including elevation of a full thickness flap and closure) - one to three contiguous	
2 .20 .	teeth or tooth bounded spaces per quadrant	
D4263	Bone replacement graft - first site in quadrant	
D4274	Distal or proximal wedge procedure (when not performed in conjunction with surgical procedures	•
	in the same anatomical area)	\$45.00
D4275	Soft tissue allograft	\$100.00
D4276	Combined connective tissue and double pedicle graft, per tooth	
D4277	Free soft tissue graft procedure (including donor site surgery), first tooth or edentulous tooth position graft	
D4278	Free soft tissue graft procedure (including donor site surgery), each additional contiguous tooth or	
	edentulous tooth position in same graft site	
D4320	Provisional splinting - intracoronal	
D4321	Provisional splinting - extracoronal	
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D4341	Periodontal scaling and root planing - four or more teeth per quadrant - limited to 4 quadrants	400.00
D4342	during any 12 consecutive monthsPeriodontal scaling and root planing - one to three teeth per quadrant - limited to 4 quadrants	
D4355	during any 12 consecutive monthsFull mouth debridement to enable comprehensive evaluation and diagnosis - limited to 1 treatme	ent
D4381	in any 12 consecutive months	
	tissue, per tooth	\$100.00
D4910	Periodontal maintenance - limited to 2 treatments per plan year	
D4921	Gingival irrigation - per quadrant	\$0.00
- For a	D5899 VI. PROSTHODONTICS (removable)  all listed dentures and partial dentures, Copayment includes after delivery adjustments and tissue ditioning, if needed, for the first six months after placement. The Enrollee must continue to be eligible the continue must be provided at the Contract Dentists facility where the dentire was exiginally delivered.	
- Reba	the service must be provided at the Contract Dentist's facility where the denture was originally deli ases, relines and tissue conditioning are limited to 1 per denture during any 12 consecutive months	
	acement of a denture or a partial denture requires the existing denture to be 5+ years old.	
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 D5213	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 conventiclasps, rests and teeth)	
D5214	Mandibular partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including any	φ270.00
D3214	conventional clasps, rests and teeth)	\$270.00
D5225	Maxillary partial denture - flexible base (including any clasps, rests and teeth)	
D5226	Mandibular partial denture - flexible base (including any clasps, rests and teeth)	
D5281	Removable unilateral partial denture - one piece cast metal (including clasps and teeth)	
D5410	Adjust complete denture - maxillary	
D5411	Adjust complete denture - mandibular	
D5421	Adjust partial denture - maxillary	
D5422	Adjust partial denture - mandibular	
D5510	Repair broken complete denture base	
D5520	Replace missing or broken teeth - complete denture (each tooth)	
D5610	Repair resin denture base	
D5620	Repair cast framework	
D5630	Repair or replace broken clasp	\$23.00
D5640	Replace broken teeth - per tooth	
D5650	Add tooth to existing partial denture	
D5660	Add clasp to existing partial denture	
D5670	Replace all teeth and acrylic on cast metal framework (maxillary)	
D5671	Replace all teeth and acrylic on cast metal framework (mandibular)	
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)	
D5810	Interim complete denture (maxillary)	
D5811	Interim complete denture (mandibular)	
D5820	Interim partial denture (maxillary) limited to 1 in any 12 consecutive months	
D5821	Interim partial denture (mandibular) limited to 1 in any 12 consecutive months	
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D5850	Tissue conditioning, maxillary	\$25.00
D5851	Tissue conditioning, mandibular	
D5900-l	D5999 VII. MAXILLOFACIAL PROSTHETICS - Not Covered	
D6000-	D6199 VIII. IMPLANT SERVICES	
	acement of a crown, fixed denture or retainer requires the existing unit to be 5+ years old.	
D6010	Surgical placement of implant body: endosteal implant	\$1 983 00
D6011	Second stage implant surgery	
D6013	Surgical placement of mini implant	
D6040	Surgical placement: eposteal implant	
D6050	Surgical placement: transosteal implant	
D6058	Abutment supported porcelain/ceramic crown	\$1,030.00
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)	\$1.036.00
D6063	Abutment supported cast metal crown (predominantly base metal)	\$925.00
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 or high noble metal)	
D6067	Implant supported metal crown (titanium, titanium alloy, high noble metal)	
D6092	Re-cement or re-bond implant/abutment supported crown	
D6094	Abutment supported crown - (titanium)	
D6095	Repair implant abutment, by report	
D6100	Implant removal, by report	
D6101	Debridement of a peri-implant defect or defects surrounding a single implant, and surface	
	cleaning of the exposed implant surfaces, including flap entry and closure	\$54.00
D6102	Debridement and osseous contouring of a peri-implant defect or defects surrounding a single in	nplant
	and includes surface cleaning of the exposed implant surfaces, including flap entry and closure	\$110.00
D6103	Bone graft for repair of peri-implant defect - does not include flap entry and closure. Placement	of
	a barrier membrane or biologic materials to aid in osseous regeneration are reported separately	/\$115.00
D6104	Bone graft at time of implant placement	\$115.00
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	D6999 IX. PROSTHODONTICS, fixed (each retainer and each pontic constitutes a unit in a f denture [bridge])	ixea
	denture [bridge]) lacement of a crown, pontic, inlay, onlay or stress breaker requires the existing bridge to be 5+ ye	oro old
	Pontic - indirect resin based composite	
	Pontic - cast high noble metal	
D6210	Pontic - cast riigh hobie metal	
D6211	Pontic - cast predominantly base metal	
D6212	Pontic - titanium	•
D6214	Pontic - porcelain fused to high noble metal	
D6240	Pontic - porcelain fused to high hobie metal	
D6241	Pontic - porcelain fused to predominantly base metal	
D6245	Pontic - porcelain/ceramic	
D6610	Onlay - cast high noble metal, two surfaces	
D6612	Onlay - cast predominantly base metal, two surfaces	
D6614	Onlay - cast noble metal, two surfaces	
D6710	Crown - indirect resin based composite	
D6740	Crown - porcelain/ceramic	
D6750	Crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal	
D6751	Crown - porcelain fused to predominantly base metal	
D6752	Crown - porcelain fused to noble metal	
D6790	Crown - full cast high noble metal	
D6791	Crown - full cast predominantly base metal	
D6792	Crown - full cast noble metal	
D6794	Crown - titanium	•
D6930	Re-cement or re-bond fixed partial denture	
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#### D7000-D7999 X. ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

- Includes preoperative and postoperative evaluations and treatment under a local anesthetic.
- Oral surgery services are limited to surgical exposure of teeth, removal of teeth, preparation of the mouth for dentures, removal of tooth generated cysts up to 1.25 cm., frenectomy and crown lengthening.

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D7111	Extraction, coronal remnants - deciduous tooth	
D7140	Extraction, erupted tooth or exposed root (elevation and/or forceps removal)	\$20.00
D7210	Surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring removal of bone and/or sectioning of tooth, and incl	uding
	elevation of mucoperiosteal flap if indicated	\$27.00
D7220	Removal of impacted tooth - soft tissue	\$45.00
D7230	Removal of impacted tooth - partially bony	\$55.00
D7240	Removal of impacted tooth - completely bony	\$65.00
D7241	Removal of impacted tooth - completely bony, with unusual surgical complications	\$80.00
D7250	Surgical removal of residual tooth roots (cutting procedure)	
D7251	Coronectomy - intentional partial tooth removal	
D7280	Surgical access of an unerupted tooth	\$52.00
D7283	Placement of device to facilitate eruption of impacted tooth	
D7285	Incisional biopsy of oral tissue - hard - does not include pathology laboratory procedures	\$35.00
D7286	Incisional biopsy of oral tissue - soft - does not include pathology laboratory procedures	\$28.00
D7288	Brush biopsy - transepithelial sample collection	\$45.00
D7310	Alveoloplasty in conjunction with extractions - four or more teeth or tooth spaces, per quadrant	\$23.00
D7320	Alveoloplasty not in conjunction with extractions - four or more teeth or tooth spaces, per quadr	ant\$30.00
D7321	Alveoloplasty not in conjunction with extractions - one to three teeth or tooth spaces, per quadra	ant\$30.00
D7450	Removal of benign odontogenic cyst or tumor - lesion diameter up to 1.25 cm	\$60.00
D7471	Removal of lateral exostosis (maxilla or mandible)	
D7472	Removal of torus palatinus	\$60.00
D7473	Removal of torus mandibularis	
D7485	Surgical reduction of osseous tuberosity	\$60.00
D7510	Incision and drainage of abscess - intraoral soft tissue	
D7960	Frenulectomy - also known as frenectomy or frenotomy - separate procedure not incidental to	
	another procedure	\$53.00
D7963	Frenuloplasty	
D7972	Surgical reduction of fibrous tuberosity	\$60.00
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#### D8000-D8999 XI. ORTHODONTICS

- The listed Copayment for each phase of orthodontic treatment (limited, interceptive or comprehensive) covers up to 24 months of active treatment. Beyond 24 months, an additional monthly fee, not to exceed \$125.00, may apply.
- The Retention Copayment includes adjustments and/or office visits up to 24 months.
- Comprehensive orthodontic treatment plan one per lifetime

D0210 D0322 D0330 D0340 D0350 D0351 D0470	Intraoral - complete series of radiographic images Tomographic survey Panoramic radiographic image Cephalometric radiographic image 2D oral/facial photographic image obtained intraora 3D photographic image	c services includes:\$15	50.00
D0210	The benefit for post-treatment records includes: Intraoral - complete series of radiographic images	\$10	00.00
D0210 D0470			
D8010	Limited orthodontic treatment of the primary dentition	n\$38	30.00
D8020		tition - child or adolescent to age 19\$40	05.00
D8030	Limited orthodontic treatment of the adolescent der	tition - adolescent to age 19\$43	30.00
D8040	Limited orthodontic treatment of the adult dentition	adults, including covered dependent	
	adult children	\$45	55.00
D8050	Interceptive orthodontic treatment of the primary de	ntition\$65	50.00
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D8060		\$750.00
D8070	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<b>.</b>
	to age 19	
D8080	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$1,950.00
D8090		<b>#</b> 0 000 00
D0040	dependent adult children	. ,
D8210		
D8220		
D8660 D8680	g	
D8999	учения и предоставления в предоставления	
Dosss	onspecified offiodonic procedure, by report - includes treatment planning session	\$0.00
D9000-	-D9999 XII. ADJUNCTIVE GENERAL SERVICES	
D9110	Palliative (emergency) treatment of dental pain - minor procedure	\$15.00
D9210		
D9211	Regional block anesthesia	
D9212		
D9215	=	
D9219		\$0.00
D9220		
D9221	Deep sedation/general anesthesia - each additional 15 minutes	
D9241		
D9242		\$100.00
D9310		
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D9430		
D9440		
D9630	9	
D9931	Cleaning and inspection of a removable appliance	
D9951	Occlusal adjustment, limited	
D9952	Occlusal adjustment, complete	\$45.00

If services for a listed procedure are performed by the assigned Contract Dentist, the Enrollee pays the specified Copayment. Listed procedures which require a Dentist to provide Specialist Services, and are referred by the assigned Contract Dentist, must be authorized by the Administrator. The Enrollee pays the Copayment specified for such services.

Procedures not listed above are not covered, however, may be available at the Contract Dentist's "filed fees." "Filed fees" mean the Contract Dentist's fees on file with the Administrator. Questions regarding these fees should be directed to the Customer Service department at 844-697-0578.

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#### SCHEDULE B LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS OF BENEFITS

#### Limitations

- 1. The frequency of certain Benefits is limited. All frequency limitations are listed in *Schedule A, Description of Benefits and Copayments*.
- 2. Administration of I.V. sedation or general anesthesia is limited to treatment by a contracted oral surgeon and in conjunction with an approved referral for the removal of one or more soft tissue, partial or full bony impactions, (Procedures D7220, D7230, D7240, and D7241).
- 3. Benefits provided by a contract pediatric Dentist are limited to children through age seven following an attempt by the assigned Contract Dentist to treat the child and upon Authorization by Delta Dental, less applicable Copayments. Exceptions for medical conditions, regardless of age limitation, will be considered on an individual basis.
- 4. Should an Enrollee's coverage be cancelled or terminated for any reason, and at the time of cancellation or termination the Enrollee is receiving orthodontic treatment, the Enrollee will be solely responsible for payment for treatment provided after cancellation or termination, except:
  - a. If an Enrollee is receiving ongoing orthodontic treatment at the time of termination, Delta Dental will continue to provide orthodontic Benefits for:
    - b. 60 days if the Enrollee is making monthly payments to the Contract Orthodontist, or
    - c. until the later of 60 days or the end of the quarter in progress, if the Enrollee is making quarterly payments to the Contract Orthodontist.

At the end of 60 days (or at the end of the quarter), the Enrollee's obligation will be based on the Contract Orthodontist's usual fee for the treatment plan. The Contract Orthodontist will prorate the amount over the number of months remaining in the initial 24 months of treatment. The Enrollee will make payments based on an arrangement with the Contract Orthodontist.

- 5. Orthodontic treatment in progress is limited to new DeltaCare USA Enrollees who, at the time of their original effective date, are in active treatment started under their previous employer sponsored dental plan as long as they continue to be eligible under the DeltaCare USA Program. Active treatment means tooth movement has begun. Enrollees are responsible for all Copayments and fees subject to the provisions of their prior dental plan. Delta Dental is financially responsible only for amounts unpaid by the prior dental plan for qualifying orthodontic cases.
- 6. Frequently, several alternate methods exist to treat a dental condition. For example, a tooth can be restored with a crown or a filling, and missing teeth can be replaced either with a fixed bridge or a partial denture. We will make payment based upon the allowance for the less expensive procedure, provided that the less expensive procedure meets accepted standards of dental treatment. Our decision does not commit You to the less expensive procedure. However, if You and the Dentist choose the more expensive procedure, You are responsible for the additional charges beyond those paid or allowed by the Company.

#### **Exclusions**

- 1. Any procedure that is not specifically listed under Schedule A, Description of Benefits and Copayments.
- 2. Any procedure that in the professional opinion of the Contract Dentist:
  - a. has poor prognosis for a successful result and reasonable longevity based on the condition of the tooth or teeth and/or surrounding structures, or
  - b. is inconsistent with generally accepted standards for dentistry.
- 3. As determined by the treating provider not acting on behalf of Delta Dental, services solely for cosmetic purposes or for conditions that are a result of hereditary or developmental defects, such as cleft palate, upper and lower jaw malformations, congenitally missing teeth and teeth that are discolored or lacking enamel or required as the result of orthognathic surgery.
- 4. Porcelain crowns, porcelain fused to metal, cast metal or resin with metal type crowns and fixed partial dentures (bridges) for children under 16 years of age.
- 5. Lost, stolen or damaged appliances including, but not limited to, prosthetic device, full or partial dentures, space maintainers, crowns and fixed partial dentures (bridges) or any duplicative device.
- 6. For replacement of existing dentures that are, or can be made serviceable.
- 7. For prosthetic reconstruction or other services which require a prosthodontist.
- 8. For assistance at surgery.
- 9. Procedures, appliances or restoration solely for the purpose of changing vertical dimension, including but not limited, to full mouth rehabilitation, splinting, fillings to restore tooth structure lost from attrition, erosion or abrasion, appliances or any other method.
- 10. Precious metal for removable appliances, metallic or permanent soft bases for complete dentures, porcelain denture teeth, precision abutments for removable partials or fixed partial dentures (overlays, implants, and appliances associated therewith) and personalization and characterization of complete and partial dentures.
- 11. For diagnostic services and treatment of jaw joint problems by any method. These jaw joint problems include, but are not limited to, such conditions as temporomandibular joint disorder (TMD) and craniomandibular disorders or other conditions of the joint linking the jaw bone and the complex muscles, nerves and other tissues related to that joint.
- 12. Consultations for non-covered benefits.
- 13. Dental services received from any dental facility other than the assigned Contract Dentist, an authorized dental specialist, or a Contract Orthodontist except for Emergency Services as described in the Contract and/or Evidence of Coverage.
- 14. All related fees for admission, use, or stays in a hospital, out-patient surgery center, extended care facility, or other similar care facility.
- 15. Prescription drugs or nonprescription drugs, home care items, vitamins or dietary supplements.
- 16. Dental expenses incurred in connection with any dental procedure started before the Enrollee's eligibility with the DeltaCare USA Program or after the termination date of coverage. Examples include: teeth prepared for crowns, root canals in progress, full or partial dentures for which an impression has been taken.
- 17. As determined by the treating provider not acting on behalf of Delta Dental, for elective procedures, including prophylactic extractions of third molars.

- 18. For the following, which are not included as orthodontic benefits: retreatment of orthodontic cases, changes in orthodontic treatment necessitated by patient non-cooperation, repair of orthodontic appliances, replacement of lost or stolen appliances, special appliances (including, but not limited to, headgear, orthopedic appliances, bite planes, functional appliances or palatal expanders), myofunctional therapy, cases involving orthognathic surgery, extractions for orthodontic purposes, and treatment in excess of 24 months.
- 19. Specialist or orthodontic treatment resulting from a prohibited referral. A prohibited referral is when the Contract Dentist directs an Enrollee to seek specialist or orthodontic care from another dental facility where a) the Contract Dentist owns a beneficial interest in the practice; b) the Contract Dentist's immediate family owns a beneficial interest of 3 percent or greater in the practice; or c) the Contract Dentist, the Contract Dentist's immediate family or a combination of the Contract Dentist and his or her immediate family has a compensation arrangement with the practice.
- 20. For broken appointments.
- 21. Dental conditions that are the responsibility of Worker's Compensation or employer's liability insurance. The DeltaCare USA benefits would be in excess to the third party benefits and therefore, the Administrator would have the right of recovery for any benefits paid in excess.
- 22. For any condition caused by or resulting from declared or undeclared war or act thereof, or resulting from service in the National Guard or in the armed forces of any country or international authority.

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