NEW HAMPSHIRE
MEDICAID
DENTAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN

Department of Health and Human Services
Medicaid Client Services
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Your Child Can Have Healthy Teeth and Gums For a Lifetime!

- Be sure all teeth are brushed and clean after meals and snacks, and before bedtime.
- Follow your doctor or dentist’s directions for fluoride and sealant use to prevent cavities.
- Avoid sugary drinks, sticky snacks, and candy; germs that cause cavities feed on sugar.
- Do not share toothbrushes, cups, or food; germs that cause cavities are passed from one person to another.
- Do not put your child to bed with a bottle; germs that cause cavities are more active when you sleep.
- Take your child for regular dental check-ups every six months starting before age one (1). Regular dental check-ups allow dentists to find and treat tooth decay early.
- Take away sippy cups before your child is 15 months old.
- Set a good example by brushing and flossing your own teeth every day.

Most dental care is available at no cost for persons under 21 receiving NH Medicaid.

To have any dental care paid for by NH Medicaid, your child must be currently enrolled in NH Medicaid and the dentist must be an enrolled NH Medicaid provider.

Dental benefits that are covered under NH Medicaid include:
- Check-ups every 150 days
- Cleanings every 150 days and fluoride until age 15
- Home fluoride rinses by prescription
- Fillings
- Sealants on permanent and deciduous molars every 5 years until age 17
- Sedation and anesthesia
- Most other routine and emergency care

Prior authorization is required for orthodontia and extraction of wisdom teeth

Dental treatments that are not covered include:
- Bleaching and other cosmetic procedures

Covered dental benefits for NH Medicaid recipients over age 21 are limited to:
- Treatment of acute pain and infection

For help finding a dentist, call Medicaid Client Services
- Call 1-800-852-3345, ext. 4344, in-state only, or (603) 271-4344

If you need help paying for gas or finding a ride to the dentist, call the Medicaid Transportation Unit
- Call 1-800-852-3345, ext. 3770, in-state only, or (603) 271-3770

If you need to cancel your appointment, please call your dentist 24 hours in advance. It is easier to get future dental appointments if you go to your scheduled appointments or you cancel ahead of time!