

# Medicare Child Dental Benefit Schedule (CDBS)



## What is CDBS?

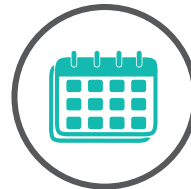
The Medicare Child Dental Benefit Schedule scheme covers basic dental treatment for eligible children.



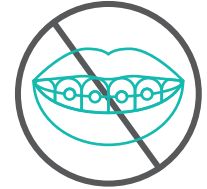
Eligible age  
0 to 17 years



\$1026 per child  
in funding



Funding renewed  
every 2 calendar  
years



Does not cover  
orthodontics, cosmetic  
dentistry or surgery

## Am I eligible?

Eligibility for CDBS is determined by Medicare. Patient eligibility requirements for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule are as below:

- be aged 0 to 17 years for at least 1 day of the calendar year
- be eligible for Medicare on the day of service
- get, or be part of a family getting, certain Australian Government payments (eg. Family Tax Benefit Part A)

We will check your child's eligibility as well as any available balance prior to your appointment.



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TO LEARN MORE  
ABOUT ELIGIBILITY

## How do the fees work?



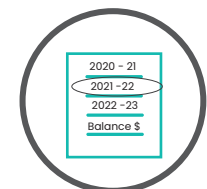
Medicare determines  
the fee for each item



Your claim is bulk  
billed to Medicare



Medicare pays  
us directly



We check each child's  
available balance  
via Medicare

## What services are provided?

Our dentists undertake thorough examinations to spot potential issues. We'll alert you and discuss ways to ensure longevity of your child's teeth and oral hygiene.

You can rest assured that any treatment done or planned is only what is strictly necessary to look after your child.

Each child will have an opening balance of **\$1,026** from which the fees are deducted. How long it lasts depends on how much treatment your child requires and when they first used their funds. For instance if your child first used their funds any time from January 1st 2022 to December 31st 2022 then the balance would reset on January 1st 2024.

2022	2023	2024
First year services are provided.	Second year where the patient can access any remaining balance if they are still eligible.	The patient will have access to a new benefit cap starting from this year, if they are eligible.

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## Common services performed



Dental check-up



X-rays



Clean plaque and stains from the surface of teeth



Fluoride treatment to help prevent tooth decay



Fissure sealing of deeper grooves



Fillings



Removal of teeth



Stainless steel crowns

## Can I defer treatment to save my balance?

We often get this question from parents anxious to ensure that their child has sufficient funding available in case issues occur down the track.

It's important to remember that dental issues left untreated will progress and can cause significant pain and distress. Options become more limited and more expensive to treat.

In a lot of cases the amount of work that your child needs will exceed the amount of funding available.

Wherever possible we try to complete all the work needed without charging an out of pocket to do what's best for your child's wellbeing.

We'll let you know if we think something can be deferred without causing more issues down the track.

## The Dental One Commitment

In some situations children require significantly more work than available with the limited government funding under the CDBS scheme.

Where this will mean a child will go a significant amount of time before their next preventative appointment (Check-Up & Clean) then Dental One will provide this as a complimentary service\* as we believe setting up a good routine at a young age is key to long term good oral and dental health.

**\*Please note, if any further work is required at the complimentary service, this will be advised, and private fees will be payable.**

The child must be a regular patient at Dental One with no or limited balance available and not due to reset for at least six months.

Only **one complimentary service** will be provided.