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## Summary of Benefits for South Carolina, MEDICAID

### Children's Dental Services

#### Preventive Services

	Is the service Covered?	Frequency	List any service-specific limitations
Cleanings	Yes	1 x 6 months	
Fluoride treatments (including fluoride varnishes)	Yes	1 x 6 months	
Sealants (list any tooth-specific limits)	Yes	1 x every 3 years	Ages 6-14; Teeth 2, 3, 14, 15, 18, 19
Space maintainers	Yes	1 x lifetime	

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### Diagnostic Services

	Is the service Covered?	Frequency	List any service-specific limitations	Recommended age of first visit?
<b>Dental examinations</b>				
	Yes	1 x 6 months		
<b>X-Rays</b>				
Bitewing	Yes	1 x 6 months		
Full Mouth	Yes			
Panoramic	Yes	1 x every 3 years		

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### Treatment Services

	Is the service Covered?	Frequency	List any service-specific limitations	Criteria for coverage
<b>Fillings</b>				
Silver amalgam	Yes			
Tooth colored composite	Yes			
<b>Crowns/tooth caps</b>				
Stainless steel crowns	Yes			
Metal (only) crowns	No			
Metal/porcelain crowns	Yes			
Porcelain (only) crowns	No			
<b>Root Canals (endodontics)</b>				
Root canals on baby teeth (pulpotomies)	Yes			
Root canals on permanent teeth	Yes			
<b>Gum (periodontal) therapy</b>				
	No			
<b>Dentures</b>				
Partial dentures	Yes			

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Complete dentures	Yes			
Bridges	No			
<b>Orthodontics*</b>				
Retainers (orthodontic)	No			
Braces	No			
<b>Oral surgery</b>				
Simple extractions	Yes			
Surgical extractions	Yes			
Care of abscesses	Yes			
Cleft palate treatment	Yes - only with prior authorization			
Cancer treatment	Yes - only with prior authorization			
Treatment of fractures	Yes			
Biopsies	Yes			
<b>Treatment of jaw joint problems (TMJ)</b>				
	Yes - only with prior authorization			

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<b>Emergency room services provided by a dentist</b>				
	Yes			
<b>Inpatient Hospital Services</b>				
	Yes - only with prior authorization			
<b>Anesthesia</b>				
General anesthesia	Yes			
Intravenous conscious sedation	Yes			
Non-intravenous conscious sedation	Yes			
Analgesia (nitrous oxide)	Yes			

\* When this information is posted on the Insure Kids Now website, we will include a special note for orthodontic services explaining that parents and caretakers should work with their child's orthodontist to ensure that the treatment and payment terms and conditions are clear at the outset of treatment (for example, what happens in the case of a child who becomes ineligible for Medicaid or CHIP while he or she is undergoing orthodontic treatment?).