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Summary of Benefits for Tennessee, MEDICAID

Children's Dental Services

Preventive Services

	Is the service Covered?	Frequency	List any service-specific limitations
Cleanings	Yes	1 x 6 months	D1120 age limitation 13-20, D1110 age limitation 0-12
Fluoride treatments (including fluoride varnishes)	Yes	1 x 6 months	D1206 age limitation 1-20, D1208 age limitation 4-20
Sealants (list any tooth-specific limits)	Yes	1 x lifetime	age limitation 5-15, teeth covered 2, 3, 14, 15, 18, 19, 30 & 31
Space maintainers	Yes	1 x lifetime	age limitation 2-20

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Diagnostic Services

	Is the service Covered?	Frequency	List any service-specific limitations	Recommended age of first visit?
Dental examinations				
	Yes	1 x 6 months	age limitation 0-20	
X-Rays				
Bitewing	Yes	1 x 6 months	age limitation 2-20	
Full Mouth	Yes	1 x every 3 years	age limitation 6-20	
Panoramic	Yes	1 x every 3 years	age limitation 6-20	

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Treatment Services

	Is the service Covered?	Frequency	List any service-specific limitations	Criteria for coverage
Fillings				
Silver amalgam	Yes		1 x every 3 years	
Tooth colored composite	Yes		1 x every 3 years	
Crowns/tooth caps				
Stainless steel crowns	Yes		1 x every 3 years;age limitations	
Metal (only) crowns	Yes - only with prior authorization		1 x every 5 years; Authorization Required; age limitation depending on tooth number	
Metal/porcelain crowns	Yes - only with prior authorization		1 x every 5 years; Authorization Required; age limitation depending on tooth number	
Porcelain (only) crowns	Yes - only with prior authorization		1 x every 5 years; Authorization Required; age limitation depending on tooth number	
Root Canals (endodontics)				
Root canals on baby teeth (pulpotomies)	Yes		1 x lifetime	
Root canals on permanent teeth	Yes - only with prior authorization		1 x lifetime; age limitation 6-20; Authorization Required	
Gum (periodontal) therapy				
	Yes - only with prior authorization		Authorization Required	

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Dentures				
Partial dentures	Yes - only with prior authorization		1 x 5 years; Authorization Required; age limitations 18-20	
Complete dentures	Yes - only with prior authorization		1 x 5 years; Authorization Required; age limitations 18-20	
Bridges	Yes - only with prior authorization		1 x 5 years; Authorization Required; age limitations depending on tooth number	
Orthodontics*				
Retainers (orthodontic)	Yes - only with prior authorization		Authorization Required; age limitation 12-20	
Braces	Yes - only with prior authorization		1 x lifetime; Authorization Required; age limitation 12-20	
Oral surgery				
Simple extractions	Yes			
Surgical extractions	Yes - only with prior authorization		Authorization Required; age limitations 6-20	
Care of abscesses	Yes			
Cleft palate treatment	Yes			
Cancer treatment	Yes			
Treatment of fractures	Yes			

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Biopsies	Yes			
Treatment of jaw joint problems (TMJ)				
	Yes			
Emergency room services provided by a dentist				
	Yes			
Inpatient Hospital Services				
	Yes - only with prior authorization			
Anesthesia				
General anesthesia	Yes - only with prior authorization			
Intravenous conscious sedation	Yes - only with prior authorization			
Non-intravenous conscious sedation	Yes - only with prior authorization			
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?).