



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

VA Dental Insurance Program (VADIP) Fact Sheet



The Department of Veterans Affairs provides comprehensive dental care to Veterans who meet eligibility standards; however, the benefit is not available to many Veterans. VA would like all Veterans and beneficiaries to have access to good oral health. Good oral health is more than just a nice smile or ability to chew favorite foods – it impacts a person’s overall health throughout his or her life.

VA’s Dental Insurance Program (VADIP) offers enrolled Veterans and beneficiaries of VA’s Civilian Health and Medical Program (CHAMPVA) the opportunity to purchase dental insurance at a reduced cost.

VADIP was established as a pilot program by the Caregivers and Veterans Omnibus Health Services Act of 2012. The pilot program, which began Jan. 1, 2014, and ended Jan. 31, 2017, assessed the feasibility and advisability of providing a premium-based dental insurance plan to eligible individuals. The VA Dental Insurance Reauthorization Act of 2016, signed into law July 29, 2016, allowed VA to continue VADIP until December 31, 2021. However, the Department of Veterans Affairs Expiring of Authorities Act of 2021 eliminated the termination date of December 31, 2021. VA will be able to continue dental insurance services indefinitely.

VA has selected Delta Dental of California and MetLife to offer private insurance coverage for VADIP. For more information, visit www.va.gov/healthbenefits/VADIP. Veterans also can call the providers directly: Delta at 1-855-370-3303 and Metlife at 1-888-310-1681.



For more
information
about VADIP.

Eligibility for VADIP

Veterans enrolled in the VA health care program and CHAMPVA beneficiaries are eligible to participate in VADIP. Participation in VADIP does not affect Veterans' eligibility for VA dental services and treatment.

Dependents of Veterans, except those eligible under CHAMPVA, are not eligible for VADIP; however, the insurance carriers may offer dependents separate coverage options.

Dental Plan Information

Coverage will be provided throughout the United States and its territories.

Multiple plan options allow participants to select a plan that provides benefits and premiums that meet their dental needs and budget. Offered plans vary and may include diagnostic, preventative, surgical, emergency and endodontic/restorative treatment. Each participant will pay a fixed monthly premium for coverage, in addition to any copayments required by his or her plan.

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