

An Important Message about MassHealth Dental Benefits

On July 1, 2010, there will be a change to MassHealth dental benefits for adults.

These changes only apply to MassHealth members 21 or older who are not DDS-eligible. If you are under 21, or are DDS-eligible, there are no changes to your dental benefits.

July 1, 2010 MassHealth Changes

Starting July 1, MassHealth **will only cover** the following dental services for adults:

- diagnostic services (exams and X-rays)
- preventive services (cleanings)
- extractions (removing teeth)
- emergency care visits
- some oral surgery, such as biopsies and soft-tissue surgery

Starting July 1, MassHealth **will no longer pay** for the following services for adults:

- restorative (fillings)
- endodontic (root canal)
- periodontic (deep scaling)
- crowns
- dentures (full, partial, or repair)
- surgical procedures related to full or partial dentures

You Are Still Covered by the Health Safety Net

If you are an adult MassHealth member who is affected by these changes you will still be covered through the Health Safety Net. But you must receive care at a designated community health center that offers dental services. This includes Cambridge Health Alliance's [Windsor Street Dental Clinic](#).

For More Information

To learn more about Health Safety Net coverage, go to www.mass.gov/healthsafetynet.

If you have questions about this change, call MassHealth Dental Customer Service at 1-800-207-5019 (TTY: 1-800-466-7566 for people with partial or total hearing loss).

DDS-eligible individuals or their guardians may call their DDS area office with any questions.