



Medi-Cal Dental Benefits for Pregnant Women and Others

	Full dental coverage	Federally Required Adult Dental Services (FRADS) ¹	Pregnancy-related benefits ²	Emergency dental procedures
Pregnant to 60-days post-partum, Adult with <u>Full Scope</u>	No	Yes (Vol. 25, #22, pp. 4-7)	Yes (Vol. 26, #11, p. 2)	Yes, if included among FRADS ³
Pregnant to 60 days post-partum, Adult or under 21, with <u>Limited Scope</u> including Presumptive Eligibility (PE)⁴ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizen or qualified immigrant • OBRA⁵ 	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes⁶ • Yes⁶ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vol. 26, #11, p. 1 • Vol. 26, #12, p. 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes, if included among FRADS³ (Vol. 26, #11, pp. 3-4) • Yes, if included among FRADS³ or OBRA emergency services⁷(Vol. 26, #12, pp. 3-4)
Under 21 with <u>Full Scope</u>: whether pregnant or not, same benefits	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Adult with <u>Full Scope</u>, not pregnant	No	Yes (Vol 25, #22, pp. 4-7)	N/A	Yes, if included among FRADS ³
OBRA adult or under 21 with <u>Limited Scope</u>, not pregnant	No	FRADS for emergencies only (Vol 26, #10, pp. 1-2)	N/A	Yes, if included among FRADS ³ or OBRA emergency services ⁷ (Vol. 26, #12, pp. 3-4)

- Denti-Cal Provider Bulletins are referred to here by Volume and # and may be found at: http://www.denti-cal.ca.gov/WSI/Publications.jsp?fname=2010_Bulletins and http://www.denti-cal.ca.gov/WSI/Publications.jsp?fname=2009_Bulletins
- For a complete listing of available adult dental benefits, including for pregnant and post-partum women, see Section 4 of the Provider Handbook: <http://www.denti-cal.ca.gov/WSI/Publications.jsp?fname=ProvManual>
 1. FRADS include both emergency and non-emergency dental services. There are 183 FRADS procedure codes (Vol. 25, #22, pp. 4-7). FRADS also include; (a) dental services necessary to undergo a covered medical service, such as surgery (Vol. 26, #15, p. 1 and Handbook Section 4, Beneficiary Coverage). Such “precedent” dental services not on the FRADS list will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis (Vol. 25, #22, p. 2).
 2. Pregnancy-related dental benefits include: (a) Up to 18 benefits, depending on age (Vol. 26, #11, p. 2); and (b) “treatment of other [dental] conditions that might complicate the pregnancy” (Vol. 26, #12, p. 2). State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) instructions on the latter are expected soon. In the meantime, contact Denti-Cal or MCHA if Denti-Cal indicates a patient is not eligible for such services.
 3. Emergency FRADS procedures include, but are not limited to, relief of pain and infection, extractions, re-cementing crowns, and TMJ diagnosis and repair.
 4. Presumptive Eligibility (PE) is Medi-Cal aid code 7G (Vol. 22, #22 and Section 4 of the Provider Handbook, Treating Beneficiaries).
 5. “OBRA” refers to the federal Medicaid law providing emergency services regardless of immigration status (Vol. 26, #12, pp. 3-4).
 6. DHCS is updating the existing Provider Bulletins and Provider Handbook to clarify that all FRADS are available to Limited Scope pregnant women, with one exception: OBRA women may receive FRADS only for emergencies. In the meantime, contact Denti-Cal, or MCHA if Denti-Cal indicates a patient is not eligible for such services.
 7. There are 86 OBRA emergency benefits (Vol. 26, #12, p. 4).