



Medi-Cal Pregnancy-Related Dental Benefits

	Full dental coverage	Federally Required Adult Dental Services (FRADS) ¹	Pregnancy-related benefits ²	Emergency dental procedures
Pregnant ³ adult with Full Scope Medi-Cal	No	Yes Vol. 26, #12, p. 4	Yes Vol. 26, # 11, p. 1	Yes, if included among FRADS ⁴
Pregnant—adult or under 21-- with Limited Scope Medi-Cal (including PE) ⁷ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizen or qualified immigrant • Other⁵ 	No	Yes*	Yes** Vol. 26, #11, p. 1 Vol. 26, #12, p. 2	Vol. 26, #12, pp. 3-4 • Yes, if included among FRADS* • Yes, OBRA emergency services only ⁶
Under 21 with Full Scope Medi-Cal: whether pregnant or not, same benefits	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Adult with Full Scope Medi-Cal, not pregnant	No	Yes Vol 26, # 12, pp.1-2	N/A	Yes, if included among FRADS*
Adult or under 21 with Limited Scope Medi-Cal, not pregnant	No	No Vol 26, #12, p. 4	N/A	Yes, OBRA emergency services only. Vol. 26 #12, p. 4

- Denti-Cal Provider Bulletins are referenced in this table 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/provsrvcs/manuals/handbook2/handbook.pdf#page=107>
 1. FRADS include some emergency and some non-emergency dental services. For a complete list of FRADS, see Denti-Cal Bulletin Vol. 25, No. 32.
 2. Pregnancy-related dental benefits include: (1) 21 specified dental procedures (Vol. 26, No. 11, p. 2); and (2) “treatment of other [dental] conditions that might complicate the pregnancy” (Vol. 26, No. 12, p. 2).**
 3. Medi-Cal’s “pregnant” category continues to the end of the month in which the 60th day post-partum occurs see Vol. 26, #11, p.2.
 4. An example of emergency procedures included in FRADS is treatment of an abscess with related dental exams and X-rays. (FRADS are *not* limited to emergency procedures.)
 5. The Provider Bulletin identifies this group as “OBRA”, referring to the federal law providing for emergency services regardless of immigration status.
 6. OBRA emergency dental services are nearly identical to the emergency dental services included among the FRADS.
 7. Includes women with Presumptive Eligibility (PE) Medi-Cal (aid code 7G) see Vol. 22, No 22 and handbook section 4, Treating Beneficiaries.

*MCHA has asked the State to issue a new Provider Bulletin clarifying that all adults with Medi-Cal are covered for FRADS as well as emergency dental services not included in the FRADS. In the meantime, contact Denti-Cal, or MCHA if Denti-Cal indicates a patient does not qualify for such services.

** MCHA has also asked the State to clarify that the pregnancy-benefits include treatment of other oral health conditions that might complicate the pregnancy. In the meantime, contact Denti-Cal, or MCHA if Denti-Cal indicates a patient does not qualify for such services.