

Delta Dental - Choosing a Dentist

As a Delta Dental subscriber, you may see any dentist you like. However, there are advantages to choosing a dentist who belongs to one of Delta Dental's two dentist networks.

Dentists in the Delta Dental PPO network offer significant fee reductions to Delta Dental patients. This minimizes your out-of-pocket costs.

You can also choose a dentist from the Delta Dental Premier network. More than 90% of Wisconsin dentists and more than three-fourths of dentists nationwide are members of the Delta Dental Premier network. Fee savings with Delta Dental Premier are not as great as with Delta Dental PPO, however Delta Dental Premier offers many advantages versus a non-network dentist. The table below illustrates some of the advantages of Delta Dental network dentists.

You will receive an Explanation of benefits statement describing what has been paid on your claim and the amount you owe your dentist. If you use a non-network dentist you will be mailed the claim payments directly in the form of a check. Because of this, the dentist may require you to pay the full cost of treatment up-front.

Savings Example	Delta Dental PPO Dentist	Delta Dental Premier Dentist	Non-network Dentist
Dentist normal Fee	\$720	\$720	\$720
Allowed amount	\$590	\$680	\$680
Dentist fee adjustment due to Delta Dental Agreement	\$130	\$40	\$0
50% benefit paid by plan	\$295	\$340	\$340
Out-of-pocket cost for patient	\$295	\$340	\$380

Finding a Network Dentist

Delta Dental's dentist directories are accessible through the internet and their toll-free phone number.

On the Web:

1. Go to www.deltadentalwi.com and click the 'Provider Search' tab and 'Find a Network Dentist' in the drop down box.
2. Enter your address, city, and state, or ZIP code. There is additional search criteria to let you search for dentists by last name, practice name, or ZIP code.
3. Dentist listings will appear, with network affiliation (Delta Dental PPO or Delta Dental Premier) noted. You can narrow your search even further to Delta Dental PPO or Delta Dental Premier.
4. There are additional filter options that allow you to search for the dentist by specialty, gender, language spoken, and hours of operation.
5. Your search results can be printed, email or saved as a PDF for future reference.

By Phone:

To access the dentist directories by phone, call **800-236-3712** and follow the automated instructions. Participating dentists are searched by ZIP code.

