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- Anthem automatically covers additional dental services including cleanings, periodontal maintenance, scaling and root-planing, full mouth debridement, fluoride and other services for members engaged in a medical management program for the following conditions¹:
 - diabetes
 - pregnancy
 - heart conditions (e.g. enlarged heart)
 - stroke
 - organ or bone marrow transplant
 - cancer treated with chemotherapy
 - head or neck cancer treated with chemotherapy and/or radiation therapy
 - suppressed immune system (HIV/AIDS)
 - end stage renal disease (kidney disease)
- Members engaged in a medical management program receive eligible dental services at 100% coverage with no out-of-pocket deductibles, copays, or coinsurance
- Eligible dental services never reduce a members annual maximum benefit, and no waiting periods apply



90%

of the body's diseases first show signs and symptoms in the mouth²



40% lower medical costs

for patients with diabetes who treat their periodontal disease³



57% of those diagnosed with oral cancer

will survive 5 years after diagnosis. Roughly one person every hour dies of oral cancer⁴

Market Comparison

- Similar programs often focus on diabetes and pregnancy – always review similar programs for a full understanding of eligible medical conditions
- Other programs often require members to pay deductibles, coinsurance, and/or copays for covered additional dental services – make sure you know how programs pay for additional dental services
- Sometimes a members annual maximum benefit will be reduced when using additional dental benefits with a chronic medical condition
- Some programs are a one size fits all and fail to consider member dental care needs for different medical conditions – take the time to understand programs so members get the best program for their needs

¹ Applies to Anthem Dental Essential and Consumer Choice PPO plans only; not applicable with any Affordable Care Act or legacy dental plans including Prime or Complete

² Academy of General Dentistry Know Your Teeth website: Warning Signs in the Mouth Can Save Lives. (Rev. January 2012)

³ American Journal of Preventive Medicine's Impact of Periodontal Therapy on General Health Study, June 2014

⁴ The Oral Cancer Foundation, Oral Cancer Facts. May 2015.

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	Periodontal Maintenance ¹	Periodontal Scaling/Root Planing ²	Periodontal & Oral Evaluations ³	Routine Cleaning ⁴	Palliative Treatment ⁵	Fluoride ⁶	Sealants ⁷	Full Mouth Debridement ⁸
Diabetes	√	√	√	√	√			√
Heart Disease	√	√	√	√	√			√
Pregnancy	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Stroke	√	√	√	√	√			√
End Stage Renal Disease (kidney)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Head & Neck Cancer w/Chemo/Radiation	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Other Cancers (with chemo)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Organ Transplant	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Suppressed Immune System (HIV/AIDS)	√	√	√	√	√			√

¹Four periodontal maintenance procedures (D4910); standard frequency shared with cleanings

²One additional scaling & root planing procedure per quadrant (D4341, D4342)

³One additional oral evaluation (D0120, D0140, D0145, D0160, D0170, or D0180 in combination)

⁴One additional cleaning (D1110, D1120, D4346); frequency shared with periodontal maintenance

⁵Covered at standard frequency (D9110)

⁶One additional fluoride treatment and removes age limits (D1206, D1208)

⁷Removes age limits (D1351, D1352, D1353)

⁸Covered at standard frequency (D4355)

Plan provides 100% coverage for qualified benefits and additional frequencies regardless of annual maximum/deductible in conjunction with qualified medical conditions. No waiting periods apply.

NOTES:

Program benefits are the same between self-enroll and auto-enroll



Members are automatically enrolled when engaged in a care management program



Not engaged in a care management program? Self enrollment options are available – just send us a form

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