

# **Dental Blue Options Summary of Benefits**

Employer Group name: Monroe County

Plan Type: Contributory (employer-sponsored)

Product Type: Passive PPO (same coinsurance in & out-of-network)

## **Plan Features**

Network: Reimbursement In network: BlueShield local network Reimbursement Out-of-network: UCR90 Reimbursement Out-of-area In Network: National Dental Network GRID+ DenteMax	Dependent / student age limit: 19/23
Annual Plan Deductible: \$0 Ind / \$0 Fam  Deductible applies to: N/A	Annual Plan Maximum per member: \$1,000 per member  Annual Max applies to: Classes I, II, IIA III services
Ortho Age Limit: Not Applicable Lifetime Orthodontia Maximum: Not Applicable (does not apply toward annual plan maximum)	COB: If enrolled in a Medicare Advantage policy, the Medicare Advantage policy will be the primary payer. The County standalone dental policy will be secondary.

### **Plan Benefits**

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Type of Care		In-Network	Out-of-Network
Class I Preventive & Diagnostic	<ul> <li>Cleanings &amp; exams - twice per calendar year</li> <li>Fluoride treatments - twice per calendar year, all ages</li> <li>Sealants - unrestored 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> permanent molars, once every 36 months</li> <li>Bitewing x-rays - up to 4 every calendar year</li> <li>Full mouth/Panoramic x-rays - once every 36 months</li> <li>Diagnostic Photograph/Facial Images - once per calendar year</li> <li>Space maintainers - up to age 16</li> <li>Emergency palliative treatment</li> <li>Sedation</li> <li>Periodontal maintenance following surgery - twice per calendar year (D4910)</li> </ul>	100%	100%
Class II Basic Restorative	<ul> <li>Fillings – amalgam &amp; composite; each surface covered once every 12 months</li> <li>Oral surgery – simple extractions</li> </ul>	85%	85%
Class IIA Basic Restorative	<ul> <li>Oral surgery – surgical extractions</li> <li>Endodontics – root canal treatment</li> <li>Periodontal surgery – osseous surgery, gingivectomy, gingival flap procedure – covered once per quadrant every 36 months</li> <li>Periodontal scaling &amp; root planing – once per quadrant</li> </ul>	85%	85%

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	every 24 months  • Bone Grafting		
Type of Care	Plan Benefits	In-Network	Out-of- Network
Class III Major Restorative	<ul> <li>Fixed prosthetics – bridgework, abutments, pontics</li> <li>Removable prosthetics – partial / complete dentures</li> <li>Inlays / onlays / crowns – includes coverage for recementation</li> <li>Above services eligible for replacement every 5 years</li> <li>Relines / rebases – once every 36 months and at least 6 months following initial placement</li> <li>Occlusal Guards</li> <li>Implants &amp; Bone grafting related to Implants – eligible for replacement every 10 years</li> </ul>	60%	60%
Class IV Orthodontia	<ul> <li>Initial banding &amp; monthly follow-up treatment</li> <li>No more than 1/2 the lifetime maximum can be paid in any calendar year</li> </ul>	Not Covered	Not Covered

# **How to Get The Most From Your Plan**

#### **Pre-determination of Benefits**

Pre-determination of benefits is recommended for any extensive treatment such as periodontics, orthodontics or prosthetics. A description of planned treatment and expected charges should be sent to the Plan before treatment is started. If there is a major change in the treatment, a revised predetermination of benefits is required. The expenses that will be included as Covered Expenses will be determined by your Plan and are subject to the Alternate Benefit provision. When there has not been a predetermination of benefits, your Plan will determine the expenses that will be included as Covered Expenses at the time the claim is received. Predetermination of Benefits does not guarantee payment and expires one year from date of issue. The estimate of benefits payable may change based on the benefits, if any, for which a person qualifies at the time services are completed.

#### Alternate Benefits Provision - Inlays, Onlays

All covered procedures are subject to an alternate benefit allowance. When there is more than one technology or material type for a dental procedure, the dental plan will reimburse for the procedure which has the lesser allowance. When alternate benefit is enforced, your benefits are not intended to interfere with the treatment plan recommended by the dentist. You and your dentist should discuss which treatment is best suited for you and may proceed with the original treatment plan regardless of benefit determination. If the more expensive treatment is chosen, you are liable for the balance up to the billed amount.

#### **Participating Dentists**

Excellus BlueCross BlueShield offers a broad participating dental network in the Rochester, Syracuse, Utica and surrounding areas. You have the option of receiving care from a dentist of your choice. However, choosing a participating dentist may result in savings for you because participating dentists agree to accept our Schedule of Allowances as payment in full for covered services. Aside from any coinsurance, there is no balance billing for covered services when provided by a participating dentist – that's full coverage with no out-of-pocket expense for your covered routine preventive and diagnostic services.

#### Non-participating Dentists

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You have the freedom to see any dentist. Non-participating dentists are not obligated to accept our Schedule of Allowances. You will be responsible for balances of non-participating dentists' charges.

#### **National Dental Network**

In addition to our local network, your Excellus BlueCross BlueShield dental plan gives you access to more dentists nationwide. The national dental network offers coverage in all 50 states, with access to an additional 123,000+ providers across the nation. You have the option of receiving care from a dentist of your choice. Choosing a participating dentist may result in savings for you because participating dentists agree to accept the national dental network Schedule of Allowances as payment for covered services. Aside from any coinsurance, there is no balance billing for covered services when provided by a participating dentist- that's full coverage with no out-of-pocket expense for your covered routine preventive and diagnostic services.

**Dental Customer Service – for members and dentists** 

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