

# Appointment Reminder!

CDCP

Dear Patient,

This is a friendly reminder regarding the **Canadian Dental Care Plan (CDCP)**.

Seniors 65+, children under the age of 18 and adults with a valid disability tax credit are now eligible to register to receive care under the CDCP. Registrants must have a net family income of less than \$90,000 per year and not be eligible for other insurance.

Although millions of Canadians are starting to access care through the CDCP, some important misconceptions remain.



## Know Before You Go

### For many patients, treatment under the CDCP will not be free.

Many people are under the impression that the CDCP will cover all the costs of their care. This is not true. Patients with an adjusted net family income between \$70,000 and \$90,000 will be responsible for a federal government required "co-payment," meaning they will be responsible for paying between 40–60% of fees set out by the government. You may be responsible for paying the difference.



### Not all providers are participating in the CDCP.

Patients can only see a dentist registered for the CDCP, or one that agrees to submit on a claim-by-claim basis on behalf of the patient.



### Additional care is not available until November.

Currently, the CDCP provides limited treatment options. Essential care options that benefit patients like partial dentures, crowns, and sedation, which many patients need, including children, people with disabilities, and seniors with dementia, won't be available until November and will require government pre-approval. We still don't know how long you, our patients, will need to wait for the government to approve the treatments.



### Wait to receive your CDCP welcome package before booking a dental appointment.

CDCP welcome packages may take up to three months to arrive from the time you apply and enroll. Your coverage start date will be laid out in your welcome package and may vary based on when you apply and when your application is processed. This means that you cannot receive care under the program until you have received your CDCP card and received your start date. CDCP-related appointments can only be scheduled on or after your start date.



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