dental bulletin

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Affordable DentalBlue[®] insurance plans available for all ages

Good oral health is an important part of overall health, and Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield's DentalBlue[®] individual insurance plans for 2011 offer a variety of valuable benefits from essential preventive services to major restorative services. And, for the first time, Arkansas Blue Cross is offering dental plans for individuals age 65 and above.

There are three individual DentalBlue plans from which to choose, whether a person is age 1 or 100.

- DentalBlue BronzesM provides basic, preventive care such as initial and periodic exams, prophylaxis (teeth cleanings), fluoride treatments, X-rays and sealants.
- **DentalBlue SilversM** covers these preventive services and adds minor restorative services such as fillings and simple extractions.



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• DentalBlue GoldsM covers preventive services, minor restorative services and adds in major restorative services including endodontics (root canals), oral surgery, surgical extractions, inlays, onlays, crowns, bridges, partials and dentures, implants and periodontics (treatment of gum diseases). Also, there is no exclusion for missing teeth. An

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annual maximum rollover benefit allows members to "roll over" a portion of their unused calendaryear maximum to the next year.

With DentalBlue, members receive other important benefits including:

- Freedom to choose any dentist.
- Maximum plan benefits when they visit a dentist in the DentalBlue participating provider network.
- No claim forms to complete when they choose a

participating dentist.

If your patients are in the market for an affordable dental insurance plan, DentalBlue may be just the thing to make them smile.

DentalBlue Plans	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	
Individual Deductible	\$50	\$50	\$50	
Calendar-Year Maximum	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
Annual Maximum Rollover	No	No	Yes	
	What the plan pays after	the deductible is met		
Preventive & Diagnostic	100%	100%	100%	
Minor Restorative Services	Not covered	80%	80%	
Major Restorative Services	Not covered	Not covered	50%	
Implants	Not covered	Not covered	50%	
	Waiting po	eriods		
Minor Restorative Services	Not applicable	6 months*	6 months*	
Major Restorative Services	Not applicable	Not applicable	12 months	
	Rates	8		
Individual	\$17.77	\$21.68	\$28.83	
Individual + Spouse	\$35.54	\$45.97	\$61.13	
Individual + Child(ren)	\$34.46	\$44.97	\$59.80	
Family	\$52.23	\$67.95	\$90.63	

* The 6-month waiting period for Minor Restorative Services for DentalBlue Silver or DentalBlue Gold will be waived if:

1. Your DentalBlue application is received within 30 days of the termination date of your prior coverage;

2. You have had at least 6 months of prior continuous coverage for minor restorative benefits; and

3. You provide us with a copy of your Certificate of Coverage verifying your previous dental coverage within 30 days of your DentalBlue effective date. To be eligible for a DentalBlue insurance plan, you must be an Arkansas resident. Other eligibility rules may apply.

Web tools make your job easier!

Dental information is available right at your fingertips on the Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield Web site. Go to arkansasbluecross.com, select the "Providers" tab, and then look for the "Tools for Dental Providers."

Our tools for dental providers include:

- Why being Blue is Good for You

 An overview of the network
 and how it helps providers.
- Authorization form for clinic/ group billing — Notification that a practitioner is joining a clinic or group.
- Provider change of data form — A form to report a change of address or other data. (Completion of this form does not create any network participation.)
- Termination form for clinic/group billing — To notify us that a provider is leaving a clinic.
- Member dental claim form
- Accident form for dental injury
- Claims and benefits information
- *Dental Bulletin* The winter issues include the fees schedules for general dentistry and specialists.
- Dental network development representatives — How to reach us by fax, telephone or e-mail.

My Dental Information Manager

My Dental Information Manager (MDIM) is a secure web portal for dental transactions for your Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield

patients. It is free to our providers and the information is in an easy to read and maneuverable format.

Use My Dental Information Manager to:

- Verify eligibility and get an overview of benefits
- Track claims and predetermination

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• Check benefits and deductibles

To Register:

1) Log on to

mydentalinformationmanager. com 2) Select
"Provider Click
Here"
3) Accept the terms and conditions
4) Enter your
TIN or SSN (the number you use when

filing your Arkansas Blue Cross claims).

- 5) You will be prompted to either:
 - a. Enter your credentialing ID: (You can obtain this 12-digit ID number from your provider relations representative or Customer Service).

or

b. Enter information regarding a claim previously submitted and processed by Arkansas Blue Cross. The patient's name, date of service and Arkansas Blue Cross claim number will be provided. You

2) Any procedure code from the the claim. 3) The total claim charges. our N ber when ross 2) Any procedure code from the claim. 3) The total claim charges. New users first will be required to register as a profile administrator. Subsequent users from your office or group then will be allowed to register as office staff. Multiple

tax ID number.

If you have not provided Arkansas Blue Cross with your NPI, you will be prompted to go to the NPPES Web site to apply. Your MDIM registration will be delayed until your NPI is documented in our system. If you have not notified us of your NPI, please fax it to 501-378-2465.

users can register under a single

will be asked to enter:

1) The patient's date of birth.

Verifying the status of a claim

You can verify the status of an Arkansas Blue Cross member's claim by using any of the following search criteria:

- Date range
- Patient name
- Claim number

You will need the patient's Arkansas Blue Cross ID, date of birth and gender to complete the transaction.

BlueAdvantage members: The last two digits (00, 01 or 02) should be omitted. (Example: M1234567800 on ID card, enter only M12345678 to register).

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All other DentalBlue and

BlueCare Dental members: The prefix "XCD" should be omitted. (Example: XCD123456789 on ID card, enter only 123456789 to register).

Searching for a remittance

You will be able to retrieve copies of your remittance documents by entering a date range. You will then receive a listing of all payments for that time period. Choose "Select" and then "Search."

Note: Remittance documents are stored by the date they are created in the Arkansas Blue Cross claims system, not by the service date.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can our office register more than one user for MDIM?

Yes. Once your Profile Administrator has created a new profile, additional users can register as office staff. We encourage you to have multiple staff members registered for backup purposes.

On the "Contact Us" page of MDIM, the claims mailing address is different that the one I use. Which address is correct?

Claims should continue to be mailed to:

Dental Claims Administrator P.O. Box 1206 Elk Grove Village IL 60009-1206

When I select the option to "Get a Pre-Treatment Estimate" will I be able to view prior pretreatment estimates?

Through your search, you will be able to access pre-treatment estimates processed by Arkansas Blue Cross. This offers you the ability to discuss treatment planning with your patient. MDIM provides access to both finalized claims and pre-treatment estimates.

Key Contacts:

Obtain an NPI — Go to the NPPES Web site: NPPES.cms.hhs.gov and follow the directions listed.

Report your NPI — Fax your NPI to Provider Network Operations, 501-378-2465

Ask a MDIM registration question — Customer Service 1-877-203-9921

Arkansas Blue Cross Dental Provider Representatives — Debbie Jines 501-378-3296; Linda Duelmer 501-378-2195

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FEP dental claims now can be filed electronically

Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield now is accepting electronic dental claims for the Federal Employees Program (FEP).

Benefits of sending electronic claims include:

• Confirmation or denial of claim

within minutes of electronic submission.

- Fewer telephone calls with the payer than with paper claims.
- More efficient office staff, since they do not have to spend as much time on the telephone.

If you would like to begin filing FEP claims electronically, contact Jessica Jensen, Health Information Network customer support representative, at 501-378-2151, or send an e-mail to edi@arkbluecross. com. Dental providers will need to use a vendor that

Welcome New Providers

The following dental providers have joined the Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield network since October 2009.

Thanks for being part of the Blue team!

- Dr. Sloan Ashabranner Rogers
- Dr. E Ballard El Dorado
- Dr. James Beck Little Rock
- Dr. Tad Beene Bryant
- Dr. B Benton Hot Springs
- Dr. Angela Black Jonesboro

Dr. Michael Blanscet — North Little Rock

- Dr. Taruna Bolding Fayetteville
- Dr. J Boley Van Buren
- Dr. Matthew Bridwell Sheridan
- Dr. Angela Broomfield Rogers
- Dr. Kirby Bunel Texarkana
- Dr. Sheryl Clements Magnolia
- Dr. Suzanne Coco Little Rock
- Dr. James Cook Clarksville
- Dr. Noble Dallison Bella Vista
- Dr. David DeRuyter Mayflower
- Dr. Martin Donaldson West
- Memphis Dr. Jacob Duke — Texarkana Dr. Eunjung Edwards — Jonesboro Dr. Elizabeth Graham — Wynne Dr. Kristin Green — Fayetteville Dr. Erin Guy - Rogers Dr. James Hall — Hot Springs Dr. Ryan Hanry — El Dorado Dr. Montgomery Heathman — Benton Dr. Bryan Hiller — Hot Springs Dr. William Hixson — North Little Rock Dr. Daniel Holsinger — Jonesboro Dr. Robert Hubbard — Harrison Dr. Neall Jackson — Wynne Dr. Joseph James — Texarkana Dr. Peter Jeppsen — Siloam Springs Dr. Robert Kaloghirou — Jonesboro Dr. Etasam Khan — Jonesboro Dr. Brandon Kitchens — Little Rock Dr. Harold Koppel — Hot Springs Dr. Glenn Lance — Nashville Dr. Joshua Leal — North Little Rock Dr. Preston Lee — Jonesboro Dr. Tiffani Long — Farmington
- Dr. Wanda Mccaskey Harrison
- Dr. Hayley Moore Jonesboro
- Dr. Dan Moore Texarkana
- Dr. Kara Morgan Hamburg
- Dr. James Palmer Homer
- Dr. Sarah Payne Texarkana
- Dr. Kimberly Petkovich Mountain Home
- Dr. John Phillips Fort Smith Dr. Jonathan Rakstang — Fort Smith
- Dr. Rachel Sauser Rogers
- Dr. Stephen Scott El Dorado
- Dr. Sandra Shambarger —
- Texarkana
- Dr. James Shambarger Texarkana
- Dr. Swati Sharma Fayetteville
- Dr. Deborah Sparling Hot Springs
- Dr. Terry Turner Jonesboro
- Dr. Donald Warren Clinton
- Dr. Darryl Warren Clinton
- Dr. Bruce Welsh Fayetteville
- Dr. Monte Wheeler Springdale
- Dr. Benetta Whitfield Little Rock
- Dr. Courtney Williams Hope
- Dr. Kenneth Wood Jonesboro
- Dr. Ruth Youngquist Little Rock



P.O.Box 2181 Little Rock, AR 72203-2181

Did you know ... ?

Once your patient has reached their maximum contract benefit, you may balance bill them according to **your** fee schedule. This means you have no write-offs after the maximum has been met! As a participating provider with Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield; you are in the **Arkansas** network, and **not** other Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans in other states. Your signed contract means you participate with **Arkansas** and not other states. You may bill **your** fee schedule for the other state plans!





Dental Provider Relations

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