

# Increased Medicaid Dental Benefit for Patients with Diabetes

Statewide benefit will increase number covered of periodontal maintenance procedures starting 2024.



## Why patients with diabetes?

Gum disease can lead to complications—such as elevated blood sugar—for people with diabetes. Periodontal maintenance up to 4 times a year will support the whole-body health of Apple Health (Medicaid) enrollees with diabetes.

## Benefits of regular periodontal maintenance for people with diabetes:

- / Improves overall health.
- Improves glucose levels.
- Reduces risk of other diabetesrelated complications.
- Reduces health care costs.

#### **INCREASED BENEFIT (D4910)**

periodontal maintenance procedures per year for Apple Health enrollees with diabetes.

Starting January 2024.

### **CURRENT BENEFIT (D4910)**

periodontal maintenance procedure per year for Apple Health enrollees with diabetes.

Planning for implementation is in progress at the Washington State Health Care Authority in partnership with Arcora Foundation.

This increased Apple Health benefit takes effect January 2024.

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