

Delta Dental of Colorado
Participating Dentist Agreement
Summary Disclosure Form

As required by C.R.S. 25-37-101, Health Care Contracts – Required Provisions, subsection (3), paragraph (a), this summary disclosure form is for informational purposes only and shall not be a term or condition of the contract. This summary disclosure form summarizes the applicable contract provisions.

Terms governing compensation and payment:

Delta Dental of Colorado will compensate participating dentists for covered benefits in the following manner:

If the dentist is contracted only as a Premier Participating Dentist:

For services provided to a Delta Dental Premier or PPO member, reimbursement is based on the lesser of:

- the Delta Dental Maximum Plan Allowance, or
- the fees actually charged by Dentist.

If the dentist is contracted as a Premier and a PPO Participating Dentist:

For services provided to a Delta Dental Premier member, reimbursement is based on the lesser of:

- the Delta Dental Maximum Plan Allowance, or
- the fees actually charged by Dentist.

For services provided to a Delta Dental PPO member, reimbursement is based on the lesser of:

- The PPO Schedule of Allowances, or
- The fees actually charged by Dentist.

Dentist shall not bill the Covered Person for the balance, if any, between Dentist's submitted charge and the Delta Dental Maximum Plan Allowance or the PPO Schedule of Allowances, whichever is applicable, for those procedures that are not covered under the Covered Person's dental plan due to group contract limitations, exclusions, or frequency limitation. If a service is not covered as a result of the Covered Person's annual benefit maximum being reached, Dentist agrees not to charge the Covered Person more than the Delta Dental Maximum Plan Allowance or the PPO Schedule of Allowances, whichever is applicable, for that service. Dentist must bill the patient for any copayment or coinsurance amounts in accordance with the patients' Delta Dental plan.

Category of Coverage for which you agree to Provide Service

(See section above for payment of services)

Under the terms of the Delta Dental Premier Participating Agreement, you agree to provide services to individuals enrolled in Delta Dental Premier and/or PPO local and national programs.

Under the terms of the Delta Dental PPO Participating Agreement, you agree to provide services to individuals enrolled in Delta Dental PPO, EPO and/or Premier local and national programs.

Contract Duration & Termination

The Delta Dental Participating Dentist Agreements are evergreen contracts without an end date.

This contract may be terminated by either party, without cause, by providing a 60-day written notice.

Delta Dental of Colorado may terminate this contract for cause, by providing at least a 60-day written notice. Termination for cause may include, but is not limited to:

- Irregular billing
- Falsification of patient or office records
- Failure to comply with the terms of any service agreement in force
- Failure to comply with audit and certification requirements
- Offensive, abusive, obscene or threatening behavior by the Dentist toward any Delta Dental employee

In instances of failure to maintain a license to practice dentistry, or in instances of serious misconduct, the contract may be immediately terminated.

Processing of Claims

Delta Dental of Colorado is the entity responsible for receiving and processing claims for members enrolled in a Delta Dental of Colorado dental benefit plan.

Internal mechanism to Resolve Disputes

Delta Dental of Colorado has a Provider-Carrier Dispute Resolution Process in place for Dentists to utilize regarding disputes that arise under the terms or conditions of the contract. For matters that are administrative or payment in nature, in which the fee is not chargeable to the patient, and has been upheld through the informal claim re-evaluation process, the Dentist may file a dispute that will be reviewed by Delta Dental's Provider Review Committee.

Subject and order of addenda

The current edition of the Delta Dental Dentist Handbook is included in the participating dentist agreement as addendum A.