

# Free and Low-Cost Dental Benefits for Adults 50+ in California

## IMMIGRATION STATUS DOES NOT MATTER



As of May 1, 2022, adults ages 50 and older can receive full scope Medi-Cal services. This includes free and low-cost dental services. Immigration status does not matter. All other Medi-Cal eligibility rules still apply. This expansion covers people who were:

- Previously enrolled in restricted scope (Emergency) Medi-Cal
- Not previously enrolled in Medi-Cal because they had unsatisfactory immigration status (or were unable to verify citizenship) to qualify for full scope Medi-Cal

With full scope Medi-Cal, members may be covered for the following free or low-cost dental services:

- Exam
- X-rays
- Teeth cleaning
- Fluoride varnish
- Fillings
- Tooth removal
- Crowns\*
- Emergency services
- Sedation
- Root canals
- Partial and full dentures
- Denture relines
- Scaling and root planing

\*Crowns on molars or premolars (back teeth) may be covered in some cases.

### Find a Medi-Cal dentist and learn more

Visit [SmileCalifornia.org](https://SmileCalifornia.org) or call the Telephone Service Center at **1 (800) 322-6384** to find a dentist near you and learn more about your dental benefits.



If you are currently not enrolled in Medi-Cal, visit [CoveredCA.com](https://CoveredCA.com) for assistance applying. Enrolling in Medi-Cal will not affect your immigration status. Even if you have Medicare or Medicare Advantage, Medi-Cal can cover dental benefits not covered by Medicare.

For more information visit [SmileCalifornia.org/OlderAdultExpansion](https://SmileCalifornia.org/OlderAdultExpansion)



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