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DISCOVERY HEALTH MEDICAL SCHEME
COVER FOR DENTAL TREATMENT
Overview

This document explains the cover for dental treatment. It gives you details about how Discovery Health Medical Scheme defines and pays for dental treatment – both in the dentist or dental specialist’s rooms, in hospital or at a day clinic.

You’ll also find information about your cover for severe dental surgery as part of the Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit.

About some of the terms we use in this document

There may be some terms we refer to in the document that you may not be familiar with. Here are the meanings of these terms.

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<td>This is a healthcare facility in which patients spend part of the day under medical supervision but do not stay overnight.</td>
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<td>Day-to-day benefits</td>
<td>These are the available funds allocated to the Medical Savings Account (MSA) and Above Threshold Benefit (ATB). Depending on the plan you choose, you may have cover for a defined set of day-to-day benefits. The level of day-to-day benefits depends on the plan you choose.</td>
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<td>Deductible</td>
<td>This is the amount that you must pay upfront to the hospital or day clinic for specific treatments/procedures. If this amount is higher than the amount charged for the healthcare service, you will have to pay for the cost of the healthcare service.</td>
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<td>Dental appliances, their placement and orthodontic treatment</td>
<td>Dental appliances, their placement and orthodontics are subject to a limit and pay from the day-to-day benefits. Related accounts for orthognathic surgery are also funded from this benefit and are subject to this limit. This limit is only applicable on certain plans. Dental appliances include crowns, dentures, bridges, clasps, veneers, implants, inlays or onlays and pontics. Professional fees, laboratory fees and the cost of the components used in placing dental appliances add up to the limit.</td>
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<td>Basic Dental Treatment</td>
<td>We define basic dental treatment as the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of diseases of the teeth, gums and related structures of the mouth.</td>
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<td>Discovery Health Rate</td>
<td>This is a rate we pay for healthcare services from hospitals, pharmacies, healthcare professionals and other providers of relevant health services.</td>
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<td>Payment arrangements</td>
<td>We have payment arrangements in place with specific healthcare professionals to pay them in full at an agreed rate.</td>
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<td>Related account</td>
<td>A related account is any account for dental treatment done in a hospital or day clinic. It does not refer to the hospital or day clinic account. This could be the anaesthetist, dentist or dental specialist’s account.</td>
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About the different types of dental providers

There are many different healthcare providers who provide dental – and dental-related services. These include dentists and dental specialists who are responsible for major dental procedures, as well as therapists and oral hygienists. Here are the different names and a description of each health professional’s responsibilities.

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<td>Prosthodontist</td>
<td>Prosthodontists specialise in replacing absent teeth and tooth structures as well as the restoration of natural teeth. This includes for example crowns, bridges and dentures.</td>
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<td>Periodontist</td>
<td>Periodontists specialise in the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of gum disease, for example root planning, flap surgery and gingivectomy.</td>
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<td>Maxillo-facial and oral surgeon</td>
<td>Maxillo-facial and oral surgeons specialise in the treatment of structures in and around the mouth, for example extraction of impacted teeth, orthognathic surgery and the repair of fractures to the jaw and other facial bones.</td>
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<td>Orthodontist</td>
<td>Orthodontists correct and preserve the ideal position of the teeth and dentofacial structures using braces, retainers, and other appliances.</td>
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<td>Oral pathologist</td>
<td>Oral pathologists deal with pathology of the oral cavity.</td>
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<td>Dental therapist</td>
<td>Oral hygienists work with a dental practitioner doing oral examinations, x-rays, scaling and polishing, oral hygiene instruction, and fluoride treatment.</td>
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<td>Dental technician</td>
<td>Dental technicians do not see patients directly. Working from models of the patient's mouth, they make appliances like dentures, crowns and orthodontic plates after referral from a dental practitioner.</td>
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### Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit

**Tell us about your surgery and we’ll tell you if it meets the clinical entry criteria for cover from this benefit**

This benefit is subject to preauthorisation and the treatment meeting the Scheme's treatment guidelines and managed care criteria.

**We cover a defined list of maxillo-facial procedures through the Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit**

The Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit covers a defined list of procedures which are paid from the Hospital Benefit according to your chosen plan. These procedures include:

- Internal temporomandibular joint (TMJ) surgery
- Cleft lip and palate repairs
- Surgery for severe life-threatening infections
- Cancer-related surgery

There's no overall limit for the procedures covered by the Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit. However, accounts for dental appliances and their placement are paid from the available day-to-day benefits, regardless of the place of treatment, and subject to the annual limit where applicable.

**You have full cover for specialists who we have a payment arrangement with**

You can benefit by using specialists who we have a payment arrangement with, because we will cover their approved procedures in full from the Hospital Benefit.

**You may have a co-payment if you use other specialists**

If you are treated in hospital by a specialist who we do not have a payment arrangement with, we cover you as follows:

- On the **Executive Plan**, up to 300% of the Discovery Health Rate
- On the **Classic Plans**, up to 200% of the Discovery Health Rate
- On the **Essential, Coastal** and **KeyCare Plans**, up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate.
How we cover other healthcare professionals

We cover GPs and other healthcare services up to 200% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) on the Executive and Classic Plans and 100% of the DHR on the Essential, Coastal and KeyCare Plans, from the Hospital Benefit.

How we cover radiology and pathology

We cover radiology and pathology up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate on all plans.

All other dental treatment in hospital (excluding severe oral and dental surgery)

You don't need to call us before having dental treatment

For all other in-hospital dental treatment, other than those covered from the Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit, there is no need to call us before having treatment, even if you are admitted to hospital.

Deductible payable upfront for hospital or day clinic admissions

For this treatment you need to pay an amount upfront (deductible) to the hospital or day clinic for dental treatment done in-hospital. This amount depends on the member's age and the place of treatment. If the upfront amount is higher than the amount charged for the healthcare service, you will have to pay for the cost of the healthcare service. We pay the balance of the hospital or day clinic account from the Hospital Benefit. This applies to all plans except the Essential Smart and KeyCare Plans, for which dental treatment in-hospital is not funded. If you are on a network plan you need to use a hospital in your plan hospital network.

This is the amount you need to pay upfront:

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<td>Member younger than 13 years</td>
<td>R2 650</td>
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<td>Member 13 years or older</td>
<td>R6 800</td>
<td>R4 350</td>
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We pay the balance of the hospital or day clinic account from the Hospital Benefit.

If you are 13 and older, we cover routine dental treatment such as preventive treatments, simple fillings and root canal treatments performed in-hospital from your available day-to-day benefits.

We pay the related accounts for hospital or day clinic admissions from the Hospital Benefit

We pay related accounts from the Hospital Benefit.

We do not cover in-hospital dental treatment on the Essential Smart and KeyCare Plans

In-hospital dental treatment is not covered on the Essential Smart and KeyCare Plans.

This is how we pay for:

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<td>Executive Plan</td>
<td>Specialists paid up to 300% of the Discovery Health Rate, all other Health Care Professionals are paid at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate.</td>
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<td>All other plans</td>
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**Anaesthetists**

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<td>Specialist anaesthetist paid up to 300%, GP anaesthetist paid up to 200%</td>
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<td>Classic Plans</td>
<td>Paid at agreed rate or up to 200% of the Discovery Health Rate.</td>
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**Dental appliances**

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<td>All plans excluding Essential Smart Plan and KeyCare Plans</td>
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**How we cover preventive dental treatments**

If you are 16 years and younger, you are covered for two dental sealants for each dental quadrant each year. If you are older than 16 years, you are covered for two professionally applied fluoride treatments and cleanings each year. These services are covered from your available day-to-day benefits.

**Dental limits**

**No overall limit for basic dental treatment**

There is no overall limit for basic dental treatment on our plans. Cover depends on the plan you choose.

**Basic dental treatment done in the dentist's rooms is paid from your day-to-day benefits**

Depending on your plan, we pay for basic dental treatment done in the dentist or dental specialist's rooms from the available day-to-day benefits at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR). If you do not have funds available in your Medical Savings Account, where applicable, you must pay the dentist and dental specialist's account.

**If you are on the Executive, Comprehensive or Priority Plans:**

You have additional cover from the Above Threshold Benefit when you reach your Annual Threshold. If you pay any accounts once your MSA is depleted, and before you have reached the Annual Threshold, remember to send the account to us so we can add it up to your Annual Threshold.

**If you are on the Classic Smart Comprehensive Plan:**

You have cover from the Above Threshold Benefit once you reach your Annual Threshold. You also have cover for one defined dental check-up for each member each year at any dentist or dental therapist. This check-up covers you for a consultation, two bitewing X-rays, scale and polish, and fluoride. A co-payment of R110 applies.

**If you are on a Smart Plan:**

Members have cover for one defined dental check-up for each member each year at any dentist or dental therapist. This check-up covers you for a consultation, two bitewing X-rays, scale and polish, and fluoride. A co-payment of R110 on the Classic Smart Plan and R165 on the Essential Smart Plan applies.

**If you are on a Core Plan:**

We do not cover out-of-hospital day-to-day costs on Core Plans so you must pay these claims.
If you are on a KeyCare Plus or KeyCare Start Plan:
We cover selected basic dental treatment (consultations, fillings and extractions) only at a dentist who is on the KeyCare dentist network. Certain rules and limits may apply.

Dental appliances and orthodontic treatment limit on the Executive, Comprehensive and Priority Plans
When we refer to dental appliances we refer to any fixed or removable dental appliance such as implants, crowns, veneers, bridges, dentures and inlays. This also includes orthodontic treatment like braces and retainers and related accounts for orthognathic surgery.

We pay all dental appliances, their placement and orthodontic treatment from the available funds in the day-to-day benefits (Medical Savings Account and Above Threshold Benefit) up to a limit per person per year regardless of place of service. These are not separate benefits. Limits apply to claims paid from the Medical Savings Account, paid by you and paid by the Above Threshold Benefit. On the Classic Smart Comprehensive Plan you have cover once you reach your Annual Threshold.

If you join the medical scheme after January, you won’t get the full limit because it is calculated by counting the remaining months in the year.

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<td>Executive and Comprehensive</td>
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Getting the most out of your dental benefits

Use a dental specialist who we have a payment arrangement with
If we have a payment arrangement with the dental specialist, we will pay the account up to the agreed rate. If you don’t use a dental specialist who we have an arrangement with, you will be responsible for any shortfall between what the provider charges and what we pay. Visit [www.discovery.co.za](http://www.discovery.co.za) or click on [Find a healthcare provider](http://www.discovery.co.za) on the Discovery app to find a provider that is covered in full to avoid co-payments.

Your dentist and dental specialist must include specific information on the account

Tooth numbers
Dentists and dental specialists use a numbering system to identify teeth in the mouth. This information serves a practical purpose in dental treatment. This tooth numbering system is done according to local and international guidelines. Your dentist and dental specialist must give the relevant tooth number(s) on their account. If we receive accounts with no tooth number(s), we will not be able to pay the account.

Place of service indicator
Your dentist and dental specialist also needs to indicate on each claim where he or she performed the dental treatment. This could be in the doctor's rooms, in hospital or in a day clinic facility. Including this information on your doctor’s account will ensure we pay the accounts from the correct benefit. Without a place of service indicator on the claim, we will pay the claim from your day-to-day benefits.
Benefits available for your plan type

**EXECUTIVE PLAN**

**Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit**

The Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit covers a defined list of procedures, with no upfront payment and no overall limit. This benefit is subject to authorisation and the Scheme’s rules and your chosen plan.

You must preauthorise your admission to hospital at least 48 hours before you go in. Please call 0860 99 88 77.

**Other dental treatment in hospital**

You need to pay a portion of your hospital or day clinic account upfront for dental admissions. This amount varies, depending on your age and the place of treatment.

We pay the balance of the hospital account from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR). We pay the related accounts, which include the dentist and other related accounts, from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the DHR. We pay specialists up to 300% of the DHR.

For members 13 and older, we cover routine conservative dentistry, such as preventive treatment, simple fillings and root canal treatment from your available day-to-day benefits.

**Dental appliance and orthodontic treatment limit**

There is no overall limit for basic dental treatment. However, all dental appliances, their placement, and orthodontic treatment (including related accounts for orthognathic surgery) are paid at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DSH), and up to 300% for anaesthetists. Claims are paid from your day-to-day benefits, up to an annual limit of R29 850 per person. If you join the Scheme after January, you will not get the full limit because it is calculated by counting the remaining months in the year. These are not separate benefits. Limits apply for claims paid from your MSA, paid by you and paid by the Above Threshold Benefit.

Basic dental treatment done in the dentist’s rooms is paid from your day-to-day benefits

We pay for basic dental treatment done in the dentist or dental specialist’s rooms at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) from the available funds allocated to your Medical Savings Account and from the Above Threshold Benefit once your claims add up to the Annual Threshold.

If you have run out of funds in your Medical Savings Account and have not yet reached your Annual Threshold, you will need to pay these accounts.

**COMPREHENSIVE SERIES**

**Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit**

The Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit covers a defined list of procedures, with no upfront payment and no overall limit. This benefit is subject to authorisation and the Scheme’s rules.

You must preauthorise your admission to hospital at least 48 hours before you go in. Please call 0860 99 88 77.

**If you are on the Classic Delta and Essential Delta network option:**

You are covered in full at private hospitals and day clinics in the Delta Hospital Network. For planned admissions at hospitals outside the network, you must pay an amount of R8 400 upfront to the hospital. This does not apply in an emergency.
If you are on the Classic Smart Comprehensive plan:

You must pay an upfront amount of R9 650 for planned admissions to hospitals not in the Smart Plan Hospital Network. This does not apply in an emergency.

Other dental treatment in hospital

You need to pay a portion of your hospital or day clinic account upfront for dental admissions. This amount varies, depending on your age and the place of treatment. We pay the balance of the hospital account from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR).

We pay the related accounts, which include the dental surgeon's account, from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the DHR. On Classic plans, we pay anaesthetists up to 200% of the DHR.

For members 13 and older, we cover routine conservative dentistry, such as preventive treatment, simple fillings and root canal treatment from your available day-to-day benefits.

Dental appliance and orthodontic treatment limit

There is no overall limit for basic dental treatment. However, all dental appliances, their placement, and orthodontic treatment (including related accounts for orthognathic surgery) are paid at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) and up to 200% of the DHR for anaesthetists on the Classic Plans. Claims are paid from your day-to-day benefits, up to an annual limit of R29 850 per person. If you are on a Classic Smart Comprehensive plan, you will have to pay for these claims until you reach your Annual Threshold. These are not separate benefits. Limits apply to claims paid from MSA, paid by you and paid from the Above Threshold Benefit.

If you join the Scheme after January, you won't get the full limit because it is calculated by counting the remaining months in the year.

Basic dental treatment done in the dentist's rooms is paid from your day-to-day benefits

We pay for basic dental treatment done in the dentist or dental specialist's rooms at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) from the available funds allocated to your Medical Savings Account and from the Above Threshold Benefit once your claims add up to the Annual Threshold. If you have run out of funds in your Medical Savings Account and have not yet reached your Annual Threshold you will need to pay these accounts.

On the Classic Smart Comprehensive Plan you have cover once you reach your Annual Threshold. You also have cover for one defined dental check-up for each member each year at any dentist or dental therapist. This check-up covers you for a consultation, two bitewing X-rays, scale and polish, and fluoride.

A payment of a fee of R110 applies with the balance of this fee covered up to the DHR.

PRIORITY SERIES

Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit

The Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit covers a defined list of procedures, with no upfront payment and no overall limit. This benefit is subject to authorisation and the Scheme's rules.

You must preauthorise your admission to hospital at least 48 hours before you go in. Please call 0860 99 88 77.
Other dental treatment in hospital
You need to pay a portion of your hospital or day-clinic account upfront for dental admissions. This amount varies, depending on your age and the place of treatment. We pay the balance of the hospital account from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR).

We pay the related accounts, which include the dental surgeon's account, from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR). On the Classic Plan, we pay anaesthetists up to 200% of the DHR.

For members 13 and older, we cover routine conservative dentistry, such as preventive treatment, simple fillings and root canal treatment from your available day-to-day benefits.

Dental appliance and orthodontic treatment limit
There is no overall limit for basic dental treatment. However, all dental appliances, their placement, and orthodontic treatment (including related accounts for orthognathic surgery) are paid at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) and up to 200% of the DHR for anaesthetists on the Classic plan. Claims are paid from your day-to-day benefits, up to an annual limit of R18 600 per person. These are not separate benefits. The limit applies to claims paid by the MSA, paid by you and paid from the Above Threshold Benefit. The overall Above Threshold Benefit (ATB) limit applies.

If you join the Scheme after January, you won't get the full limit because it is calculated by counting the remaining months in the year.

Basic dental treatment done in the dentist's rooms is paid from your day-to-day benefits
We pay for basic dental treatment done in the dentist or dental specialist's rooms at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) from the available funds allocated to your Medical Savings Account and from the limited Above Threshold Benefit once your claims add up to the Annual Threshold.

If you have run out of funds in your Medical Savings Account and have not yet reached your Annual Threshold, you will need to pay these accounts.

SAVER SERIES

Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit
The Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit covers a defined list of procedures, with no upfront payment and no overall limit. This benefit is subject to authorisation and the Scheme's rules.

You must preauthorise your admission to hospital at least 48 hours before you go in. Please call 0860 99 88 77.

If you are on the Classic Delta and Essential Delta network option:
You are covered in full at private hospitals and day clinics in the Delta Hospital Network. For planned admissions at hospitals outside the network, you must pay an amount of R8 400 upfront to the hospital. This does not apply in an emergency.

If you are on the Coastal Saver Plan:
You must go to an approved hospital in one of the four coastal provinces for a planned hospital admission. If you do not use a coastal hospital, we will pay up to a maximum of 70% of the hospital account and you must pay the difference.

Other dental treatment in hospital
You need to pay a portion of your hospital or day clinic account upfront for dental admissions. This amount varies, depending on your age and the place of treatment. We pay the balance of the hospital account from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate.

We pay the related accounts, which include the dental surgeon’s account, from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% Discovery Health Rate (DHR). On Classic plans, we pay anaesthetists up to 200% of the DHR.

For members 13 and older, we cover routine conservative dentistry, such as preventive treatment, simple fillings and root canal treatment from your available Medical Savings Account (MSA).

**Dental appliance and orthodontic treatment limit**

There is no overall limit for basic dental treatment. However, all dental appliances, their placement, and orthodontic treatment (including related accounts for orthognathic surgery) are paid at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate from your Medical Savings Account (MSA), as long as you have money available.

If you join the Scheme after January, you won’t get the full limit because it is calculated by counting the remaining months in the year.

**Basic dental treatment done in the dentist’s rooms is paid from your day-to-day benefits**

We pay for basic dental treatment done in the dentist or dental specialist’s rooms from the day-to-day benefits at 100% of the Discovery Health Rate. If you don’t have funds available in your Medical Savings Account, you must pay the dentist and dental specialist’s accounts.

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**SMART SERIES**

**Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit**

The Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit covers a defined list of procedures, with no upfront payment and no overall limit. This benefit is subject to authorisation and the Scheme’s rules.

You must preauthorise your admission to hospital at least 48 hours before you go in. Please call 0860 99 88 77.

You are covered in full at private hospitals in the Smart Plan Hospital Network. For planned admissions at hospitals outside the network, you must pay an amount of R9 650 upfront to the hospital. This does not apply in an emergency.

**Other dental treatment in hospital**

**Classic Smart Plan**

You need to pay a portion of your hospital or day clinic account upfront for dental admissions. This amount varies, depending on your age and the place of treatment. We pay the balance of the hospital account from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR).

We pay the related accounts, which include the dental surgeon’s account, from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of DHR. We pay anaesthetists up to 200% of the DHR.

For members 13 and older, you must pay for routine conservative dentistry, such as preventive treatment, simple fillings and root canal treatment.

**Essential Smart Plan**

In-hospital dental treatment is not covered on the Essential Smart Plan.

**Dental limit**
You must pay for the cost of all dental appliances, their placements and orthodontic treatment (including the related accounts for orthognathic surgery).

**Basic dental treatment done in the dentist's rooms is paid from your day-to-day benefits**

Smart plan members have cover for one defined dental check-up for each member each year at any dentist or dental therapist. This check-up covers you for a consultation, two bitewing X-rays, scale and polish, and fluoride.

A payment of a fee of R110 on the Classic Smart Plan and R165 on the Essential Smart Plan applies with the balance of this fee covered up to the Discovery Health Rate.

### CORE SERIES

#### Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit

The Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit covers a defined list of procedures, with no upfront payment and no overall limit. This benefit is subject to authorisation and the Scheme's rules.

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**If you are on the Classic Delta and Essential Delta network option:**

You are covered in full at private hospitals and day clinics in the Delta Hospital Network. For planned admissions at hospitals outside the network, you must pay an amount of R8 400 upfront to the hospital. This does not apply in an emergency.

**If you are on the Coastal Saver Plan:**

You must go to an approved hospital in one of the four coastal provinces for a planned hospital admission. If you don't use a coastal hospital, the Scheme will pay up to a maximum of 70% of the hospital account and you must pay the difference.

#### Other dental treatment in hospital

You need to pay a portion of your hospital or day clinic account upfront for dental admissions. This amount varies, depending on your age and the place of treatment. We pay the balance of the hospital account from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate.

We pay the related accounts, which include the dental surgeon's account, from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of Discovery Health Rate. On Classic plans, we pay anaesthetists up to 200% of the Discovery Health Rate.

#### Dental appliance and orthodontic treatment limit

You are responsible for paying the cost of all dental appliances, their placements and orthodontic treatment (including the related accounts for orthognathic surgery).

**Basic dental treatment done in the dentist's rooms**

Core plans do not cover out-of-hospital day-to-day costs so you must pay these costs from your pocket.

### KEYCARE SERIES

#### Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit

The Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit covers a defined list of procedures, with no upfront payment and no overall limit. This benefit is subject to authorisation and the Scheme's rules.

You must preauthorise your admission to hospital at least 48 hours before you go in. Please call 0860 99 88 77.
**KeyCare Plus and Core**

For planned hospital admissions, you have full cover for the hospital account in the Full Cover Hospital Network and up to 70% of Discovery Health Rate in the Partial Cover Hospital Network. If you use a hospital outside the network you will have to pay these costs from your pocket.

**KeyCare Start**

For planned hospital admissions, you are covered in full at your chosen KeyCare Start Network Hospital. If you use a hospital outside the network you will have to pay these costs from your pocket.

**Other dental treatment in hospital**

In-hospital dental treatment is not covered on KeyCare plans.

**Dental appliance and orthodontic treatment limit**

You are responsible for paying the cost of all dental appliances, their placements and orthodontic treatment (including the related accounts for orthognathic surgery).

**Basic dental treatment done in the dentist’s rooms**

**KeyCare Plus and KeyCare Start**

We cover consultations, fillings and tooth removals at a dentist in our dentist network. Certain rules and limits may apply.

**KeyCare Core**

You must pay the costs of dentistry done in the rooms.
Contact us

Tel (Members): 0860 99 88 77, Tel (Health partner): 0860 44 55 66, PO Box 784262, Sandton, 2146, www.discovery.co.za, 1 Discovery Place, Sandton, 2196.

Complaints process

Discovery Health Medical Scheme is committed to providing you with the highest standard of service and your feedback is important to us. The following channels are available for your complaints and we encourage you to follow the process:

1 | STEP 1 – TO TAKE YOUR QUERY FURTHER:

If you have already contacted the Discovery Health Medical Scheme and feel that your query has still not been resolved, please complete our online complaints form on www.discovery.co.za. We would also love to hear from you if we have exceeded your expectations.

2 | STEP 2 – TO CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL OFFICER:

If you are still not satisfied with the resolution of your complaint after following the process in Step 1 you are able to escalate your complaint to the Principal Officer of the Discovery Health Medical Scheme. You may lodge a query or complaint with Discovery Health Medical Scheme by completing the online form on www.discovery.co.za or by emailing principalofficer@discovery.co.za.

3 | STEP 3 – TO LODGE A DISPUTE:

If you have received a final decision from Discovery Health Medical Scheme and want to challenge it, you may lodge a formal dispute. You can find more information of the Scheme’s dispute process on the website.

4 | STEP 4 – TO CONTACT THE COUNCIL FOR MEDICAL SCHEMES:

Discovery Health Medical Scheme is regulated by the Council for Medical Schemes. You may contact the Council at any stage of the complaints process, but we encourage you to first follow the steps above to resolve your complaint before contacting the Council. Contact details for the Council for Medical Schemes: Council for Medical Schemes Complaints Unit, Block A, Eco Glades 2 Office Park, 420 Witch-Hazel Avenue, Eco Park, Centurion 0157 complaints@medicalschemes.com 0861 123 267 | www.medicalschemes.com