



Reduced-Fee Dental Care for Qualified Low-Income Clients

Who?

For adults and children in Alberta with dental needs and who:

- Live on a **poverty-line income** (proof required)
- and*
- Have **no access to a group dental insurance plan**

If you opt out of your group dental plan, you will not be eligible for this program.

How?

1st – Before requesting an exam, you must first see if you qualify by completing the following:

1. An **“Income Assessment Form”** (attached or found on our website link on bottom of back page)
2. Proof of low income (example: **“Notice of Assessment”** for previous year’s tax return)
3. Evidence of no access to dental coverage (an **“Employer letter”**)
4. Immigration papers if you lived in Canada for less than 5 years.

2nd – Then, call one of the three dental clinics below to make an appointment to see if you qualify for reduced-fee dental care.

Appointment times will be arranged from: 8:00–11:00 a.m. and 1:00– 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

- Chumir Dental Clinic: Phone: 403-955-6888, Fax 403-955-6899
1213-4th Street SW, Calgary AB T2R 0X7
- NE Dental Clinic (at Sunridge Mall): Phone: 403-944-9999, Fax 403-944-9996
#200, 2580-32nd Street NE, Calgary, AB T1Y 7M8
- Airdrie Dental Clinic: Phone: 403-912-8484, Fax 403-912-8410
604 Main Street S, Airdrie, AB T4B 3K7

Information about low- income limits are on reverse side →

3rd - Once approved for reduced-fee dental care, an appointment for an exam can be made. Dental clinic hours for are from 8:00 am – 4:15 pm, Monday – Friday, and some evenings until 5:45 pm. Contact one of the three dental clinics above to book an exam **once you have been approved.** (Airdrie Dental Clinic has limited hours)

Fees must be paid at each appointment. NE Dental Clinic (at Sunridge Mall) and Chumir Dental Clinic accept debit card, credit card, cash and cheque. Airdrie Dental Clinic accepts only cash or cheque.

What isn’t available?

We do not provide crowns, bridges, veneers, full dentures, orthodontics or braces, molar root canals, periodontal surgery, sedation dentistry, complex or specialists’ services.

What is provided?

Basic dental care by qualified dentists which costs 20% of the normal fee; urgent and emergency care.

Some examples include:

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| Check-ups | \$12 – \$19 | Panorex | \$15 |
| Extractions | \$22 – \$75 | Scaling | \$20-\$57 per visit |
| Fillings | \$22 – \$58 | X-rays | \$4 each |
| Front tooth root canals | \$95 – \$155 | | |

What about Student Finance and Alberta Works?

If you are on Student Finance or Alberta Works and have dental pain, go to a private dentist. Student Finance has advised us that they cover the cost of needed emergency care at a private dentist.

How much income is low-income?

This depends on your family size and total taxable income on Line 260 of your family's "**Notice of Assessment**" (income tax return).

Note: 'Family Size' is the number of adults and dependent children residing in the household:

| Family Size | Section B Annual Income | Section C Monthly Income |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | \$23,298 | \$1,942 |
| 2 | \$29,004 | \$2,417 |
| 3 | \$35,657 | \$2,971 |
| 4 | \$43,292 | \$3,608 |
| 5 | \$49,102 | \$4,092 |
| 6 | \$55,378 | \$4,615 |
| 7+ | \$61,656 | \$5,138 |

Other Resources:

1. Alberta Health Link (403) 943-5465
 - ✓ To find out about other programs and services available in Alberta
2. Canada Revenue Agency 1(800) 959-8281
 - ✓ To request your Notice of Assessment **Option C printout** be sent to you
3. Alberta Child Health Benefit 1-877-469-5437 toll-free
 - ✓ <http://humanservices.alberta.ca/financial-support/2076.html>
 - ✓ Provides coverage for dental and other care for children under 18 years of age in low-income families
4. Alberta Adult Health Benefits
 - ✓ <http://humanservices.alberta.ca/financial-support/2073.html>
 - ✓ Provides coverage for dental and other care for low-income adults with health concerns

Please Note: The dental clinics are backlogged with patients and accept only a limited number of new adult patients per month.

For more information and forms to see if you qualify, check our Website:
<http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/services.asp?pid=service&rid=1670>

If you have any further questions regarding this reduced-fee dental service for qualified clients, please email
Community.Dental@albertahealthservices.ca