



Australian Government

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Your reference:

Dear

Your child/ren's eligibility for dental benefits

Our records show that the child/ren listed below are eligible for dental benefits in 2017 under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule. This means you are able to access benefits for basic dental services for your child/ren up to a capped amount over a two calendar year period. This 2 year cap period starts from the calendar year in which the child first receives an eligible dental service.

Changes to the capped amount

There have been changes to the capped benefit amount in 2017 for anyone starting a new 2 year cap period. This means that:

- if your child/ren are starting a new 2 year cap period in 2017, you can access up to \$700 per child over a two calendar year period.
- if your child/ren started a 2 year cap period in 2016, you can continue to access the remainder of their previous capped amount of up to \$1000 per child until 31 December 2017.

Your child/ren's eligibility is re-assessed each calendar year and remains valid for that year, even if the payment that made them eligible stops or they turn 18 years of age. If the full benefit amount is not used in the first year, you can use what is left in the second year if your child/ren remain eligible.

Eligible child name
Luke
Matthew
Lillian

Available benefit amount

You can check the available benefit amount for your child/ren by:

- going to my.gov.au and signing in to access your Medicare online account . If you do not have a myGov account, you can create one and link it to your Medicare online account.
- calling us on 132 011 (call charges may apply).

The dentist can also check the available benefit amount by contacting us.