How Delta Dental Plans Help You Save

In addition to receiving preventive care such as cleanings and exams at little to no out-of-pocket cost, having a Delta Dental plan can save you even more when you use an in-network dentist. **Here's a hypothetical example* of how it works:**

Delta Dental In-Network Dentists	
Let's say a common dental procedure costs \$1,200. Because an in-network dentist has agreed to pre-established fees with Delta Dental, he or she will charge just \$850 instead.	\$850
Your Delta Dental plan would pick up half of that tab for this procedure.	△ ≡ \$425
Using an in-network dentist, you'll only pay \$425 of what could have been a \$1,200 bill.	\$425
Out-of-Network Dentists	
If you visit an out-of-network dentist, he or she can bill the full \$1,200. Delta Dental has set a limit on the accepted amount at \$1,100 for this procedure.	\$1,100
Your benefits will cover half of that amount, making your half \$550.	△ ≡ \$550
However, the dentist can "balance bill" you for the \$100 difference between the typical \$1,200 fee and Delta Dental's maximum allowed fee of \$1,100. This means you'll end up paying a total of \$650 when using an out-of-network dentist.	\$650

As you can see, it pays to enroll in a dental benefits plan and use a Delta Dental network dentist!

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*Example assumes your deductible has already been met and you haven't reached your annual maximum.