

Smiles For Children Covered Services

- Regular dental checkups (every 6 months)
- X-rays (when necessary)
- Cleaning and fluoride (every 6 months)
- Sealants
- Information and education about oral care
- Space maintainers
- Braces (if necessary)
- Anesthesia
- Extractions
- Root canal treatment
- Crowns

Benefits for members over age 21 are limited.

For more information please call
Smiles for Children at 1-888-912-3456
or visit

http://dmasva.dmas.virginia.gov/Content_atchs/dnt/dnt-h4.pdf

**Taking care of your
child's dental health will
help to keep their body
healthy too.**

**Make sure your child
sees a dentist.**

Don't delay!

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Smiles For Children
or to find a dental provider
in your area, call toll-free:

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**8 AM - 6 PM
Monday - Friday**



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Improving Dental Care Across Virginia

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**Smiles
For Children**

**A Guide to Virginia's Dental Coverage
for Children in FAMIS and FAMIS Plus**



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A Healthy Smile at Every Age

Your child's dental health is just as important as their physical health. Just like you take your child to the doctor for checkups and shots to prevent illnesses, you should also take your child to a dentist to prevent the risk of tooth decay or other illnesses.

We now know that regular dental checkups are a very important step in keeping children healthy.

If your child is enrolled in FAMIS or FAMIS Plus they are eligible to get dental care through the *Smiles For Children* program. Beginning at age 6 months, your child is covered for dental checkups every 6 months through the year they turn 18.

Dental Schedules:

Age 6 months and 12 months

Take your baby to the dentist when the first tooth comes in. The dentist will check to make sure your baby has no cavities and will tell you how to take care of your child's mouth as he or she grows.

Age 18 months and 24 months

The dentist will do an oral exam, check for cavities and tell you how to avoid cavities. He will decide how often to clean your child's teeth and will probably apply fluoride.

Age 2 years and every 6 months up to 6 years old

The dentist will continue to watch for cavities and will teach your child how to take care of his or her mouth. He may take x-rays when needed and check that your child's teeth are developing normally.

Age 6 years and every 6 months up to 12 years old

The dentist may apply sealants to the back permanent teeth. He may take x-rays when needed and will check that your child's teeth fit together correctly. He will talk to your child about good oral health.

Age 12 years and every 6 months after that

At regular dental checks, the dentist may apply sealants. He will check that the teeth fit together correctly, and if necessary, take X-rays. The dentist will also examine the wisdom teeth to make sure they are not crowding the other teeth. He will also teach your child about good adult dental care.

How do I use Smiles for Children?

Smiles For Children is administered through DentaQuest. You use your child's FAMIS Commonwealth of Virginia card when you take your child to the dentist, just the same way as when you visit your child's doctor.

How can I find a dentist?

You can look for a dentist directly through *Smiles For Children*. There are many



dentists that accept Smiles For Children patients, but you should always check before you schedule an appointment.

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