

Dental coverage pays off in more than smiles

Here's something your clients and their employees can likely agree on: Dental coverage is an important part of any benefits plan. It's essential to the 25.9% of adults ages 20 to 44 who have untreated tooth decay,¹ as well as to the 87% of employers who see it as a differentiator.² And while dental care is primarily about healthy teeth, it's also about a healthy mind and body – and a healthier bank account.



9 in 10 adults over age 20 have some degree of tooth-root decay.³



7 in 10 people are self-conscious about their teeth.⁶



Poor oral health is associated with depression and fatigue.⁷



Cost is the No. 1 reason people do not visit the dentist. In fact, dental procedures can cost between \$250⁴ to \$4,500⁵ and up.



Poor oral health is connected to cardiovascular disease and pneumonia.⁸



More than 36 million Americans have no teeth and 120 million are missing at least one.⁹

Give your clients the power to protect employees with essential dental care. Contact your Aflac representative about dental coverage today.

¹ Centers for Disease Control. "Oral and dental health." Accessed March 4, 2021. <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/fastats/dental.htm>

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⁵ "Dental Implants Cost: Price by Type, Procedure & How to Save." Updated 7.30.2020. Accessed 1.13.2021.

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⁸ Mayo Clinic. "Oral Health: A Window to Your Overall Health." Published 6.4.2019. Accessed 1.13.2021

⁹ American Academy of Prosthodontists. "Facts and figures, tooth loss." Accessed March 4, 2021. <https://www.gotoapro.org/facts-figures/>



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