



Finding Dental Care in Idaho

Idaho Smiles Medicaid/MCNA

As of 2024, MCNA Dental is the Idaho Smiles Medicaid dental plan contractor for Idaho. All Medicaid eligible children and adults (21 and older), regardless if they are on the Pregnant Women's Plan or Basic Plan, have full access to the Medicaid Enhanced Plan dental benefits as of July 1, 2018. For more information about Idaho dental Medicaid, visit: <https://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/providers/managed-care-providers/dental>

To find an Idaho dentist that accepts Medicaid, visit <https://www.mcnaid.net/en/find-dentist> or call the Participant Hotline at 1-855-233-6262 (weekdays 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. MST). TTY line is 1-800-377-3529.

Federally Qualified Health Centers/Community Health Centers

Idaho's community health centers (also called Federally Qualified Health Centers/FOHCs) offer medical, dental, pharmacy, and behavioral health services. No one is turned away because of lack of insurance or inability to pay. Idaho has 15 community health centers that manage 192 clinics throughout 67 communities in Idaho. As a united network they serve just over 230,000 patients. Each organization collaborates closely with one another to drive down patient costs and deliver better health outcomes for all Idahoans. To locate a Community Health Center, visit <https://www.idahoche.org/community-health-centers/find-a-health-center>

Idaho Public Health District Oral Health Programs

Six of the seven Idaho Public Health Districts have active oral health programs. (Health District 7 in the Idaho Falls/Salmon area does not have an oral health program.) All employ registered dental hygienists that actively address oral health issues through interactions with schools, Head Start programs, WIC (Women/Infant/Child) programs, and other public outreach. Some public health districts offer preventive care for children at the health district offices. To find a oral health program at a public health district, visit <https://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/health-wellness/community-health/public-health-districts>

Free and Charitable Clinics

Free clinics offer healthcare services to uninsured. These nonprofit organizations utilize a volunteer/staff model to provide a range of medical, dental, pharmacy, vision, and/or behavioral health services to economically disadvantaged individuals. Idaho has 11 independent free clinics with 13 locations around the state, including mobile clinics and telehealth services. As of 2024, dental services are accessible through Snake River Community Clinic in Lewiston, Genesis Community Health in the Treasure Valley, Wellness Tree in Twin Falls, Care House Clinic in the Treasure Valley, and the Pocatello Free Clinic in Southeastern Idaho. To find a clinic, visit <https://www.idahoafcc.org/find>

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Dental and Dental Hygiene Program Clinics at Universities/Schools

Dental hygiene clinics provide low-cost preventive and limited restorative dental services to their communities. Dental hygiene students perform all services under the supervision and guidance of licensed, professional dental hygienists and dentists. Care may take several appointments and each program has its own set of low-cost fees.

Idaho State University Dental Hygiene Clinic in Pocatello: <https://www.isu.edu/clinics/dental-hygiene/>

North Idaho College Dental Hygiene Clinics in Coeur d'Alene and Lewiston: <https://www.nic.edu/dental-hygiene/>

College of Eastern Idaho Dental Hygiene Clinic in Twin Falls: <https://www.csi.edu/programs/dental-hygiene/contact.aspx>

Carrington College Dental Hygiene Clinic/Boise: <https://carrington.edu/location/boise-dental-hygiene-clinic/>

ISU Family Dentistry Clinic in Meridian. Does not accept Medicaid: <https://www.isu.edu/clinics/family-dentistry-meridian/>

ISU Family Dentistry Clinic in Pocatello. Does not accept Medicaid: <https://www.isu.edu/clinics/family-dentistry-pocatello/>

Find-a-Dentist

The Idaho State Dental Association (ISDA) offers an interactive web service to assist in seeking dental care. Search results will deliver a list of dentists in a give zip code. <https://findadentist.ada.org/>

Idaho 211

The 2-1-1- Idaho CareLine is a free, statewide community information and referral service and is a program of the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare. The database includes programs that are free or low-cost health and human or social services. Dial 211 or 800-926-2588 to be connected with a community resource specialist Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. MST. For online search options, visit <https://211-idaho.communityos.org/>

Findhelp.org

Findhelp.org is an online resource that provides localized, up-to-date resources and tools for individuals seeking care or assistance for dental needs, counseling, outpatient treatment, disability benefits, insurance, mental healthcare, and other health, human, and social services. Visit <https://www.findhelp.org/>