

Federal Canadian Dental Care Benefit (CDB)

The CDB is a temporary Federal Government dental benefit for children up to age 12 years old. Your child can get this benefit if:

- Your family are permanent residents
- Your family is up-to-date paying income taxes
- Your family income is below \$90,000 (net)
- Your family does not have any private dental benefit. (Fees not covered by BC Healthy Kids Benefit can be claimed on CDB)

Each child can get the following coverage:

- \$650 if the family's adjusted* net income is under \$70,000.
- \$390 if the family's adjusted* net income is between \$70,000 and \$79,999.
- \$260 if the family's adjusted* net income is between \$80,000 and \$89,999.

To apply:

1. File your 2021 income taxes
2. Confirm you have access to your Canadian Revenue Agency (CRA) My Account
3. Confirm you applied for the Canada Child Benefit (CCB) as it may be needed to get the CDB.
4. Set up direct deposit as it is the fastest way to get payments from the CRA
5. apply for the CDB through the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)
 - a. If you can not apply online, call 1-800-715-8836 to talk to an agent

To access the benefit, qualifying families must:

- Give the CRA with the name of their licensed dental care practitioner and the month of the planned appointment.
- Attest that the child does not have private dental insurance and that they will keep their receipts.
- Give information related to their employer and spouse or partner related to their benefit coverage.

The money will be put into your CRA account and you can take it out to pay the dentist. **Keep all receipts for a minimum of 6 years as there will be audits.**

*Adjust your income by adding \$3000 for a second parent and \$3000 for each child. For example, a family with 2 adults and 2 children that has a net income of \$85,000 has an adjusted net income of \$94,000