



VEHI Dental Program Premium Relief

As you know, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, dental offices have been closed since mid-March for all but urgent services. This has caused a significant decrease in claims paid in our dental program.

Northeast Delta Dental has recently secured approval from DFR to provide premium relief in July to its fully insured clients. Since the VEHI Dental Program is self-insured, the decision to offer premium relief must be authorized by the VEHI board.

On June 8, the VEHI board approved a month of premium relief for our Dental Program members. This will provide in the aggregate more than \$600,000 in dental premium relief.

How to take advantage of the premium relief:

- You will receive your monthly July invoice.
- Do not pay your July dental invoice, including any adjustments for prior months appearing on the July bill.
- This is a one-time premium relief, so please do not adjust your August bill for July changes that may appear due to a retroactive adjustment being made.
- Please pass along the appropriate premium savings to your employees (based on their monthly premium shares) by not taking dental premium deductions for July. This may differ by employee work classification and coverage tier.

Please contact Chris Roberts, Manager of Finance, at chris@vsbit.org if you have any questions.

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