

**VA DENTAL INSURANCE PROGRAM (VADIP)** 

BENEFITS ASSISTANCE SERVICE

# BACKGROUND INFORMATION, FAQS, AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Veterans Health Administration has negotiated an agreement with <u>MetLife</u> and <u>Delta Dental</u> to provide dental insurance, at a discounted rate, to Veterans and CHAMPVA beneficiaries. Participation is voluntary, and purchasing a dental plan does not affect Veteran's eligibility for VA dental services and treatment.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

## Q1. WHAT IS THE VA DENTAL INSURANCE PROGRAM?

A: The VA Dental Insurance Program (VADIP) is a three-year, national pilot program to assess the feasibility and advisability of providing a premium-based dental insurance plan to eligible individuals.

## Q2. WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS PROGRAM?

A: Veterans enrolled in the VA healthcare program and CHAMPVA program beneficiaries are eligible to participate in VADIP.

## Q1. CAN MY FAMILY PARTICIPATE IN VADIP?

A: Only those dependents eligible under CHAMPVA are able to participate in VADIP.

Disabilities determined by VA to be related to your military service can lead to monthly non-taxable compensation, enrollment in the VA health care system, a 10-point hiring preference for federal employment and other important benefits. Ask your VA representative or Veterans Service Organization representative about Disability Compensation, Pension, Health Care, Caregiver Program, Career Services, Educational Assistance, Home Loan Guaranty, Insurance and/or Dependents and Survivors' Benefits.





## Q1. WHEN CAN I APPLY FOR THE PROGRAM AND WHEN DOES COVERAGE BEGIN?

A: The application period began on November 15, 2013. Coverage will begin based upon when you apply for the program; however, the earliest effective date is January 1, 2014.

#### Q1. HOW DO I APPLY FOR VADIP?

A: Individuals interested in participating in VADIP may apply by mail, online, or by telephone. You can visit <a href="https://www.va.gov/healthbenefits/VADIP">www.va.gov/healthbenefits/VADIP</a> for additional information.

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

VADIP Fact Sheet: <a href="http://www.va.gov/healthBenefits/vadip/VADIP\_fact\_sheet\_v9\_contacts.pdf">http://www.va.gov/healthBenefits/vadip/VADIP\_fact\_sheet\_v9\_contacts.pdf</a>

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