

Finding Dental Care in Pennsylvania

Federally Qualified Health Centers

Federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) are primary care facilities in rural and urban areas. There are more than 120 FQHC sites in PA that provide dental care. All insurances are accepted. Fees are based on what the patient can pay and are often based on income level and family size. To locate an FQHC or similar clinic, visit my.pachc.org/Find-a-Health-Center.

Dental and Dental Hygiene Program Clinics

There are four dental programs and twelve dental hygiene programs in Pennsylvania. The schools provide dental services at a low or reduced cost. To locate a dental or dental hygiene program clinic, visit <https://paoralhealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Dental-and-Dental-Hygiene-Program-Clinics.pdf>.

Free and Charitable Clinics

Free and charitable clinics can restrict patient eligibility to patients that are uninsured, underinsured, and/or have limited or no access to care. There are nearly 20 free clinics in the state that offer dental services. To locate a free or charitable clinic, visit freeclinicspa.org/locations.

PA 211

PA 211 is a service provided through the United Way of Pennsylvania to provide information and referrals to health, human services, and other social assistance programs. To locate dental providers, visit www.pa211.org/get-help/health/

Managed Care Organizations (Medicaid Health Plans)

Managed care organizations can connect their members with dental providers in their regions. To find the member services phone numbers for each managed care organization, visit www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Statewide-Managed-Care-Map.aspx.

PA Department of Human Services

The Medical Assistance Call Center can connect patients with medical assistance to dental providers that accept medical assistance. They can be reached at 1-800-537-8862. To search for providers, visit https://ssa-paeb.maximus.com/PASelfService/resources/portal/index.html#public/provider_search.





Pop-Up Clinics and Events

Mission of Mercy Pennsylvania (Allentown in 2023)

- Dental treatment is provided at no cost to individuals who cannot afford dental care. Treatment is provided on a first come, first served basis. Hundreds of events attend this event for care, so come early. Lines form hours in advance.
- For more information, visit www.mom-n-pa.com.
- Next clinic: June 2nd-3rd at the Allentown Fairgrounds

Mission of Mercy Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh)

- Dental care is provided to patients on a first come, first served basis until capacity is met. There are no income or eligibility requirements. Hundreds of patients attend this event for care, so come early. Lines form hours in advance.
- For more information, visit mompgh.org/patient-info.
- Next clinic: October 27th-28th at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center

Remote Area Medical (RAM) Clinics

- RAM clinics are free and offer patients dental cleanings, fillings, extractions, and dental x-rays. Lines form hours in advance.
- For more information, visit www.ramusa.org/pop-up-clinics.
- Upcoming clinics:
 - June 10th-11th in Sharon, PA
 - August 12th-13th in Allentown, PA
 - November 11th-12th in Butler, PA



Donated Dental Services

Dentist volunteers provide comprehensive treatment to eligible patients. Applicants must have no means to afford dental care and must meet ONE of the following criteria: over 65 years of age, permanently disabled, or need medically necessary dental care. For more information and to apply, visit <https://dentallifeline.org/pennsylvania/>



PCOH Access to Care Map

The PA Coalition for Oral Health (PCOH) is working on a map tool for Pennsylvanians to find dental providers by address. The free resource will be published in the next few months and will be available through the PCOH website: www.paoralhealth.org.

