Dental Care

The U-M International Student/Scholar Health Insurance (IHI) plan only covers dental work needed as a result of an injury, or for removing impacted wisdom teeth. You can find more information on dental coverage in the “Dental Injury Expense” and “Dental Expense for Impacted Wisdom Teeth” sections of the “Summary of Benefits” table in the U-M International Student/Scholar Health Insurance (IHI) Plan Design and Benefits Summary [1]. You can choose to enroll in the Vital Savings on Dental Plan [2]. It is not insurance, but a discount plan that gives you a 15% to 50% discount if you go to a participating dentist. It costs $32.40 per academic year, per person, and you can enroll in the plan online, using a credit card. To enroll select “International” from the drop down and enter your eight-digit UMID and your date of birth, then click “Get Started.” Click “Select Plan” and add any dependents, then click “Continue.” You will then be asked to provide some personal information as well as payment information. You can find dentists in the network at Aetna DocFind [3]. Complete the search fields using this information:

- Provider Category: Dental Providers
- Provider Type: All Providers
- Plan: Vital Savings on Dental

Unfortunately, the U-M Dental School doesn't participate in the discount plan.

For any other dental care, this section provides information on dental care resources in the Ann Arbor area:

- Dental Emergencies
- Lower-Cost Dental Care
  - Adult Dentistry
  - Child Dentistry
- Other Options for Dental Care

Dental Emergencies

If you have a dental emergency, you can go to one of the following places or choose another resource on your own:

- **U-M School of Dentistry** An emergency evaluation can be scheduled by contacting the School of Dentistry at 734.763.6933, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
The U-M Hospital Emergency Room offers 24-hour emergency service.

Lower-Cost Dental Services

The following resources provide lower-cost dental services for adults and children. Unfortunately, the U-M Dental School doesn't participate in the discount plan.

Adult Dentistry

U-M School of Dentistry
1011 North University (at Fletcher)
734.763.6933

The School of Dentistry offers a wide variety of dental services to the public and University community at reasonable costs. Most of the services are provided by student dentists, supervised by faculty members. There may be a wait of several weeks for an appointment.

Child Dentistry

U-M School of Dentistry
1011 North University (at Fletcher)
734.763.6933

The School of Dentistry offers a Children's Clinic serving patients under 14 years of age. To schedule an appointment, call Pediatric Dentistry at 734.764.1523 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Washtenaw Children's Dental Clinic
Mack School
920 Miller
Ann Arbor, MI
734.663.7073

This clinic offers very low-cost dental care services for low income, eligible children age 18. A simple form is filled out to determine if the child is eligible. This service is only available to children who attend school in Washtenaw County. An initial exam, including cleaning and x-rays, is very reasonably priced. The clinic is staffed entirely by dentists who volunteer their time and is open only during the school year. For more information call the child's school nurse or call the clinic directly and leave a message.

Other Options for Dental Care

Private dentists

Private dentists are available throughout Ann Arbor, but their fees are generally higher than the clinics described above. If you are not sure which dentist to see, you can ask your friends, classmates, department administrators or professors for recommendations.

Dental Faculty Associates Clinic
School of Dentistry
1011 N University
Room 1340
Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1078
734.764.3155

Fees are similar to private dentists, but this clinic may be convenient for students and their families since it is located in the School of Dentistry.
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