



# Launch of Canada Dental Benefit

## Health Canada Information Session

Dear Members and Stakeholders,

The CDO has received information today that the Government of Canada will be launching its Interim Canada Dental Benefit program on December 1, 2022.

This first stage of the federal government's plan will provide coverage for eligible children under 12 years old. The federal government is committed to expanding this program by 2025.

In advance of their launch, they are hosting an information session for all oral health professionals, including Registered Denturists, next **Tuesday, November 29, 2022, from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm EST**. Registration details below.

Health Canada has asked the CDO to invite all Registered Denturists to attend this information session and to review the resources they have created in advance of the program launch.

We appreciate that the information session date is fast approaching and you or your designate are invited to attend.

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### Information Session Registration

#### Canada Dental Benefit session for oral health professionals in English

Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022

Time: 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. EST

Location: Microsoft Teams Live and Slido

If you are interested in participating in this English session, [click here to register](#).

#### Canada Dental Benefit session for oral health professionals in French

Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022

Time: 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. EST

Location: Microsoft Teams Live and Slido

If you are interested in participating in this French session, [click here to register](#).

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### Health Canada Resources

Health Canada has prepared some helpful tools and resources to answer questions about the interim Canada Dental Benefit and to better equip you to help your patients, clients, and members understand and access the benefit.

As a trusted oral health professional, we are asking for your support in distributing our educational information and informing patients/clients of this important benefit so that more kids can visit you to get brighter smiles.

Please feel free to use and distribute this material to your patients/clients/members, partner organizations and other stakeholders:

- [Health Canada Resources – English](#)
- [Health Canada Resources – Punjabi, Cantonese and Mandarin](#)

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### What This Means for Denturists

- The CDO has confirmed that the Canada Dental Benefit can be used for Denturism services provided by Registered Denturists.
- This "Interim" Canada Dental Benefit will be launched on December 1, 2022, starting with eligible children under 12. The federal government is committed to expanding the program by 2025.
- Patients who are covered by other provincial or territorial programs will also be eligible for this benefit for the remainder of costs that are not reimbursed under another federal, provincial, or territorial government program.
- Patients who receive this new benefit will not see a reduction for any other federal income-tested benefits such as Canada Workers Benefit, Canada Child Benefit or GST credit.
- For more information, please review the Canada Dental Benefits FAQs document by visiting the English Resources link.

I trust that this information may be useful to you. While the current eligibility group may not represent routine patients of Denturists, we believe that today's announcement represents a starting point for the federal government who will expand the eligibility groups in the future using the same program provisions. I wanted to let you know that the CDO only recently received this information, and we are working quickly to learn the provisions of this program and train our staff members. We appreciate your patience on this matter and direct all further inquiries for this program to Health Canada.

Sincerely,



Roderick Tom-Ying  
Acting Registrar & CEO

Links to the following documents:

- [Register for the Canada Dental Benefit session for oral health professionals in English](#)
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### Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact the College of Denturists of Ontario at [info@denturists-cdo.com](mailto:info@denturists-cdo.com).



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