

APPEAL REQUEST FORM AND INSTRUCTIONS

Providers who wish to file a formal appeal related to an adverse benefit determination must complete the Delta Dental of Iowa Appeal Request Form. This form should only be used to submit an appeal.

If you have an inquiry you may continue to call or write to us. If you merely want to submit additional documentation, whether it was previously requested or not, you may do so using the same methods you have used in the past.

The Appeal Request Form must be received by Delta Dental of Iowa within 180 calendar days from the date of the original adverse benefit determination or the corresponding remittance advice (RA).

Within 30 days of receiving the Appeal Request, Delta Dental will send you a written final decision and indicate any action that has been taken. However, when special circumstances arise, Delta Dental may require 60 days. If additional time is required, Delta Dental will notify you within the original 30 day timeframe.

- To submit an appeal, complete the entire form and attach all documents, records and any other information related to the claim. You may access a list of required attachments for certain procedures under the Forms section of the website.
- List all documents you submit with your appeal request in the Claims Information section of this form.
- If submitting radiographs, photos, and/or periodontal charts make sure all documents are clearly dated.
- Delta Dental does not return radiographs or photographs. If you would like your radiographs/photographs returned, please provide a postage paid envelope with your appeal.
- Include a copy of the remittance advice (RA) or pre-treatment estimate.
- Return completed form and all documentation using one of the following methods:

Fax for Group and Individual members: **1-888-264-1440**

Fax for *hawk-i* members: **1-888-264-0195**

Email for Group and Individual members: claims@deltadentalia.com

Email for *hawk-i* members: hawki@deltadentalia.com

Mailing Address for Group and Individual members

ATTN: APPEALS

Delta Dental of Iowa

P.O. Box 9010

Johnston, IA 50131-9010

Mailing Address for *hawk-i* members

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Radiographs and photographs are not accepted via fax because they are not diagnostic quality when received this way. Please reference the NEA number in the claim information section, if applicable.

