

**FREE DENTAL CARE
FOR RECIPIENTS OF LAST-RESORT
FINANCIAL AID* (WELFARE) AND THEIR
CHILDREN**



1. MAIN COVERAGE THROUGH RAMQ:

To access dental treatments covered by RAMQ, you must:

- Make an appointment with a dentist who is affiliated with RAMQ (check with the receptionist).
- Bring your RAMQ card and your most recent claim booklet to every dental appointment.



1: When "Oui" is written, it means the patient is covered for everything listed in Step 2. Otherwise, the start date of Step 2 is indicated.

2: The start date of Step 3 is indicated here.

**Except for asylum seekers and refugees covered by the IFHP. The IFHP covers certain dental care.*

RAMQ Step 1 - Free Services for Recipients of LESS than 12 CONSECUTIVE MONTHS.



Only provided in emergency cases: severe pain, infection/abscess, a tooth uprooted by accident... Be sure to clearly explain that it is an emergency when scheduling the appointment.

- Bleeding control
- Treatment of infections in teeth and gums (drainage of the tooth or gum)
- Tooth and root extractions, along with necessary aftercare
- Treatment of injuries to teeth or the mouth (e.g., palate, cheek, tongue)
- Reimplantation of a completely uprooted tooth.

RAMQ Step 2 - Free Services for Recipients of MORE than 12 CONSECUTIVE MONTHS.

- Annual examination
- Examination and treatment of emergencies
- X-rays and anesthesia
- Scaling (16 years and older) and polishing (12 years and older)
- Silver fillings for back teeth
- White fillings for visible front teeth
- Tooth and root extractions
- Prefabricated crowns
- Root canal treatment (12 years and younger)
- Fluoride application (ages 12 to 15)

RAMQ Step 3 - Free Services for Recipients of MORE than 24 CONSECUTIVE MONTHS.

In addition to other treatments :

- Complete dentures every 8 years
- Partial acrylic dentures every 8 years
- Relining (refitting the interior) of a denture every 5 years
- Replacement of lost or irreparably broken dentures → half the cost covered
- Replacement of dentures following oral surgery
- Denture repairs

2. SUPPLEMENTARY COVERAGE THROUGH THE CANADIAN DENTAL CARE PLAN.

When treatments are not covered by RAMQ, the RCSD can step in and provide access to care at a **reduced cost**. To benefit from this, **you need to register** to receive your membership card, which is free. Make sure your dentist participates in the CDCP and bring your card to your appointment. You will only need to pay the portion not covered, which is a small fraction of the original cost (as social assistance recipients are covered at the maximum percentage).

Example of when an RCSD card is useful : You need a repair and are covered by RAMQ at Step 1, or you need a root canal treatment.

