

TRICARE RETIREE DENTAL PROGRAM NOW PROVIDING ADDED VALUE TO HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF ENROLLEES

For almost six years, the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (TRDP) has been helping nearly 750,000 Uniformed Services retirees--including retired members of the Guard and Reserve--and their families meet their dental health care needs. The TRDP provides its enrollees with a comprehensive scope of benefits, including coverage for crowns, bridges, dentures, orthodontics and dental accidents as well as for routine cleanings and exams, fillings, root canals, gum treatment and oral surgery.

Service under the TRDP is available in all 50 United States as well as the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and Canada.

Enrollees in the TRDP can receive care from any licensed dentist of their choice within the service area. However, they can realize even greater savings by choosing to receive their dental care from one of the thousands of DeltaSelect USA and DeltaPreferred Option USA dentists providing treatment for TRDP enrollees.

Delta Dental of California has been administering the TRDP contract since 1998 and was awarded a new contract with the Department of Defense last May to continue serving as the TRDP administrator through January 2008. Under this new contract, the TRDP continues to offer the same great scope of benefits, as well as

- an increase in the annual maximum and lifetime orthodontic maximum, to \$1,200 each;
- a family deductible cap of \$150 annually;
- an enrollment commitment of only 12-months;
- a waiting period of only 12-months for coverage of crowns, bridges, dentures and orthodontics at 50% of the program allowable amount; and
- an expanded network of dentists in over 67,000 locations nationwide.

“We are excited about the impact the enhancements that went into effect with the contract renewal have had on the program. These enhancements have made the TRDP an even greater value to our current and potential enrollees,” says Tom McDavid, director of Federal Marketing and Communications for Delta Dental. “Since the program began in 1998, not only have we far exceeded our initial enrollment projections, but we have retained a large percentage of our original enrollee base—which means that enrollees are satisfied with the TRDP, opting to remain enrolled beyond their initial commitment, and using their program benefits.”

To receive a complete enrollment package or for more information about the TRDP, visit the web site at www.trdp.org, or call Delta toll-free at 1 (888) 838-8737.