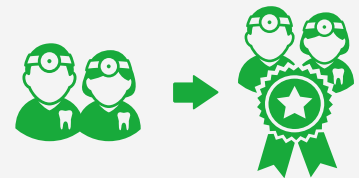


What Happens If I Am Referred to a Specialist?

Your general dentist likely provides a broad range of preventive and restorative services, including routine cleanings and exams. But what if you have a dental problem that requires specialized care?

1 Your dentist may refer you to a specialist with expertise in treating your specific condition. Dental plans don't typically require referrals, so you may also be able to find a specialist on your own.



2 The most common types of dental specialists include:



Endodontists



Oral Surgeons



Orthodontists



Pediatric Dentists



Periodontists



Prosthodontists

3 Delta Dental's networks include many specialists. Using an in-network specialist can help save money and protect you from balance billing. Check to see if your specialist is in-network at DeltaDentalTN.com.



4 Before you schedule a visit, check your benefits information for details about your dental plan's specialist coverage. Most plans include coverage for specialist visits and care. You will also want to check if your plan requires pre-authorization.



5 Next, you'll set up an appointment with your preferred specialist.



6 Finally, your specialist will see you and provide dental care to improve your oral health.

