



Primary Care Clinicians: Dental Treatment support

If you have a patient presenting with dental pain requiring assessment and treatment, and payment is a barrier for them accessing dental care, they may be eligible for support. Note: this support is for immediate and essential treatment only such as fillings, extractions and infections, not routine care.

They do not need to be a current WINZ client to apply for this support. The income limits for this support are higher than many others, so it is worth checking.

If your patient:

- Is 16 or over
- Is a NZ citizen or resident
- Has an immediate and essential need for dental treatment
- Lives in New Zealand and intends to stay here
- Meets the income and asset limits

They can apply for up to \$1000 a year (any 52-week period) to help pay for treatment. If the cost is over \$1000, they may still get support however may need to pay some of it back.

Refer to a Health Coach for support to determine their eligibility

If the patient is not eligible, check [Dental Requests- Community Health Pathways](#)