



Why encounter data matters



Submitting accurate encounter data on time is essential for several key reasons:

- **Dentist compensation:** It helps ensure dentists are paid correctly based on the care they provide
- **Contract renewals:** It supports negotiations when renewing contracts with dental groups
- **Rate setting:** It informs decisions about premium rates, capitation payments and fee schedules

This process is a vital part of the Dental Benefit Providers of California, Inc. Quality Management Program. The data confirms how much and how often dental care is delivered. It also determines minimum guarantee payments, which are based on reported utilization.

Next steps

Submit encounter data* using the current ADA claim form (available on ada.org) using one of the following methods:

- **Online:** Sign in at UHCdental.com and click Claim Information to submit electronic claims.
- **Electronic Data Interchange (EDI):** Use payer ID 52133
- **Mail:**

Dental Benefit Providers of California
P.O. Box 30567
Salt Lake City, UT 84130



Questions? We're here to help.

If you need more information:

- Refer to the DBP of CA DHMO Provider Manual at UHCdental.com > Quick Links > Manuals/Other Supporting Documents
- Call Provider Services at **866-274-3265**

*Encounter code D0999 should be listed on the ADA claim form for allowable plans.