

Table 15. Public dental programming in Prince Edward Island, 2005

Program	Eligibility	Services Covered	Utilisation	Service Environments	Administration	Expenditures \$(000)
Department of Social Services and Seniors						
Social Assistance Dental Services	Adult recipients Those deemed physically or mentally disabled	Emergency and removable prosthodontic care; 20% premium for the latter Diagnostic, preventive, and treatment services	a	Dentists/private practices	Centrally administered by Child and Family and Services division	250
Children Dental Care Program						
Diagnostic and Treatment Services	Children 3-16yrs Annual registration fee of \$15 per child to a maximum of \$35 per family	Diagnostic and treatment services; 20% premium for treatment services; if net income <\$30,000, can apply for exemption	90% estimated participation 24,500 eligible	Dentists/private practices, dental public health clinics	Centrally administered by Pharmacy and Dental Services division	2,600
Preventive Services	Children 3-16yrs	Oral health education, screening, selective polishing, scaling, topical fluoride, sealants	75% schools participation 70-100% estimated participation 24,500 eligible	Dental public health staff/ schools, dental public health clinics		
Orthodontic Clinic	As above, geared towards lower income families	Minor preventive, interceptive and orthodontic services; parents responsible for laboratory costs of any appliance used	Approx. 300-400 patients registered	Specialist/private practices		
Early Childhood Dental Initiatives	15 and 18 month-old infants at immunisation clinics	Screening, risk-assessment, moderate- and high-risk follow-up and referral	Approx. 400-600 children per year Approx. 2,600 eligible	Dental hygienist/public health clinics		

Table 15 cont'd.

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Long Term Care Facilities Dental Program	Residents of high needs private and provincial long term care facilities	Annual screenings and referral of residents in long term care Preventive services such as denture labelling and cleaning, scaling, fluoride varnish, in-service education sessions	Approx. 1000 residents of 18 facilities	Dentists/private practices Dentists and dental hygienists/long term care facilities	As above	Part of Children's Dental Program expenditures
Paediatric Specialist Services Dental Program	Children in medical and financial need Annual registration fee of \$15 per child	Diagnostic, treatment, some preventive services	a	Specialist/private practices		
Cleft Palate Orthodontic Treatment Funding Program	Assists those with hard tissue cleft palate or equivalent congenital disorder	Orthodontics; treatment must commence <17yrs 50% of costs covered; depending on family income, funding can be 75-100%	Approx. 4-8 cases being funded			
Department of Health						
In-Hospital Surgical-Dental Services	Dental services are not insured in the Health Care Insurance Plan Only covered when the patient's medical condition requires that they be done in hospital or in an office with prior approval	Various oral surgical and dental procedures	393 services provided Approx. 135,000 eligible	Specialist and generalists/in-hospital, private practices	Centrally administered by Hospital Services Commission	91

^a Not reported