

## Overview

Dental Blue Connect plans cover Invisalign® treatment if prescribed by your Willamette Dental Group orthodontist. This new treatment option will only be available through Willamette Dental Group licensed orthodontists in the 27 dental office locations throughout Oregon, Washington and Idaho that offer orthodontic services. With expertise and experience, Willamette Dental Group orthodontists will be able to determine the optimal course of orthodontic treatment for each patient.

Invisalign treatment involves the use of a custom-made series of aligners created for each individual patient to reposition teeth. These aligner trays are made of smooth, comfortable and virtually invisible BPA-free plastic that is worn over the teeth. Wearing the aligners gradually shifts teeth into place, based on the movements planned by the orthodontist. Aligners are worn 20-22 hours each day and are removed for eating, brushing and flossing. Aligner trays are changed every two weeks through the duration of treatment. Each case is unique so the treatment duration will vary with each specific treatment plan as well as the ability of each patient to follow their treatment plan – much the same way that duration varies for fixed appliance orthodontic treatment (braces).

The suitability of Invisalign treatment for each patient will be determined by their Willamette Dental Group orthodontist based on several factors including alignment goals, patient cooperation and current oral health. Invisalign will require an increased commitment by the patient for carefully following instructions provided by their orthodontist. In general, it is the simpler cases of minor misalignment that are better suited for Invisalign treatment.

## Getting Started

Each patient must first receive an initial evaluation from a Willamette Dental Group general dentist to determine if he or she is a candidate for any type of orthodontic treatment. Call 1.855.433-6825 to schedule this appointment.

After you receive a referral from a Willamette Dental Group general dentist, you will schedule a series of appointments with a Willamette Dental Group orthodontist for your pre-orthodontic consultation. This consultation includes an initial exam, as well as X-rays and study models, which may be taken at a separate appointment. The total cost for this service is \$150. These non-refundable fees are credited toward the total fees if you proceed with the recommended orthodontic treatment. Your Willamette Dental Group orthodontist will determine your eligibility for Invisalign treatment during this pre-orthodontic consultation. Your recommended treatment plan will be provided to you with a cost and timeline estimate.

If you are a candidate for Invisalign treatment and you accept the treatment plan presented, impressions will be taken and submitted to Invisalign to create your individual aligners. A separate appointment will be scheduled four-five weeks after impressions are taken to deliver and place the first set of aligners. Follow-up appointments will be scheduled at six-week intervals for the duration of your treatment plan.

For more information about Invisalign treatment at Willamette Dental Group, call 1.855.433-6825, select option 3 to speak to a member services representative.



# Invisalign® Treatment Cost

With Dental Blue Connect plans, the cost of treatment is dependent on the severity of your individual case. As an orthodontia patient, you will be responsible for payment of the pre-orthodontia service copayments, a comprehensive orthodontia treatment copayment plus Invisalign® charge and office visit copayments.

## Pre-Orthodontia Service Copayments

- Initial orthodontic examination ..... \$25
- Study models and X-rays ..... \$125
- Case presentation ..... \$0

The nonrefundable, pre-orthodontic service copayments are credited toward the comprehensive orthodontic copayment if you proceed with treatment.

## Cost for Comprehensive Treatment

*(more than 10 aligners)*

Your Plan's Comprehensive Orthodontia Treatment Copayment plus \$800 Invisalign charge

## Cost for Limited Treatment

*(10 aligners or less)*

Your Plan's Comprehensive Orthodontia Treatment Copayment plus \$200 per arch Invisalign charge

Treatment cost includes full consultation, X-rays, study models, case presentation, all required appliances, including all aligners, and follow-up treatment.

## Payment Plans

If total charges for your case exceed \$1,500, an initial down payment of \$1,500 is due when the treatment plan is accepted and initial impressions are taken. The remaining balance is paid over 12 months.

All orthodontic treatment must be provided by a Willamette Dental Group provider to receive benefits. If the coverage terminates prior to completion of orthodontic treatment, additional charges may apply. Please refer to your Certificate of Coverage for a complete description of benefits, exclusions and limitations.

## Locations Offering Orthodontic Services



### IDAHO

- Boise
- Coeur d'Alene
- Idaho Falls
- Meridian
- Twin Falls

### OREGON

- Beaverton
- Bend
- Corvallis
- Gateway Specialty
- Jefferson (SW Portland)
- Medford
- Roseburg
- Salem - Lancaster
- Springfield

### WASHINGTON

- Bellevue
- Bellingham
- Everett
- Longview
- Kent
- Northgate Specialty
- Pullman
- Puyallup
- Richland
- Spokane
- Tacoma
- Tumwater
- Vancouver - Hazel Dell
- Yakima
- Bellingham

