Be Network-Savvy

Understand the difference between Delta Dental Premier® and Delta Dental PPO™

You can visit any licensed dentist and receive coverage under your plan, but you'll usually save the most when you choose a PPO dentist. If you can't find a PPO dentist, Premier dentists are your next best bet. Here's how the dentist networks compare.

	PPO	Premier	Non-Delta Dental
Reduced fees	PPO dentists have agreed to reduced fees. These are usually lower than Premier fees.	Premier dentists have agreed to reduced fees. Premier fees are usually not as low as PPO fees.	There's no fee agreement, so your dentist can charge any amount.
Stretch your maximum dollars	Diagnostic and preventive services (like cleanings and exams) don't count toward your annual maximum. This waiver helps you save benefit dollars for when you really need them.	Your maximum dollars may go further than with a non-Delta Dental dentist, but not as far as with a PPO dentist. Diagnostic and preventive services also count toward your annual maximum.	Higher fees add up, so you may reach your annual maximum sooner. Diagnostic and preventive services also count toward your annual maximum.
No balance billing	Your dentist can't charge you above his or her accepted fee. So if your plan covers 50% of a procedure, you'll owe only the remaining 50%. ¹		There's no cap on how much your dentist can charge you. If you get billed for an amount above the maximum plan allowance, you will be responsible for the difference.