



US Public Health Nursing

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Federal Benefits and Tricare Open Season

Coverage	Active Duty	Family Member
Medical	Must enroll in Tricare Prime . US Family Health Plan is an additional TRICARE Prime option	TRICARE Open Season is for enrollment in a TRICARE Prime or TRICARE Select health plan. US Family Health Plan is an additional TRICARE Prime
Dental	U.S. Public Health Service Active Duty Dental Program	Voluntary dental plan enrollment through the Beneficiary Web Enrollment website.

ACT NOW! Open Season Ends December 10, 2018.

Active duty uniformed service members: are not eligible to enroll in [FEDVIP](#). Your dental and vision coverage will still be provided by [TRICARE](#). **Your family members:** will still be eligible to enroll in the TRICARE Dental Program (TDP).

[TRICARE Open Season](#) is the annual period when you can enroll in or change your [TRICARE Prime](#) or [TRICARE Select](#) plan. If you miss open season, you'll only be able to make enrollment changes within 90 days of a [Qualifying Life Event](#) or during the next TRICARE Open Season in fall 2019. If you don't want to change your plan, you don't need to do anything during TRICARE Open Season.

[Federal Benefits Open Season:](#) The first opportunity for you to enroll your family members is this year's Federal Benefits Open Season, which runs from November 12 through December 10, 2018, with coverage effective January 1, 2019. [BENEFEDS](#) contact number is 1-877-888-FEDS (1-877-888-3337)

Vision coverage is available, for the first time ever, to **family members** of active duty uniformed service members who are enrolled in a TRICARE health plan. Coverage is effective January 1, 2019, if you enroll during the [Federal Benefits Open Season](#).

Compare [FEDVIP Plans vision coverage plans](#) to make an informed choice.

Tip: The plans list premiums for Self, Self+1 and Self + family. "Self" does not mean the active duty service member. Self is the first family member signing up for the FEDVIP benefit.

Enroll your family member in a FEDVIP plan today [Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program](#) (FEDVIP).

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