• We publish *Grin!**, a quarterly magazine filled with news, notes, and entertainment to keep your smile healthy and happy! Visit http://ddnj.grinmag.com.

• We publish an online newsletter for school nurses and health educators called *Wisdom Tooth*.

• Our PANDA (Prevent Abuse and Neglect through Dental Awareness) program offers free presentations to school nurses, teachers, and administrators to learn about recognizing and reporting suspected child abuse.

• We are a sponsor of *Newspapers in Education*.

• We created oral health flashcards intended to teach young children about good oral health. We mailed the flashcards to all NJ and CT school nurses for grades K-2.

• Through Delta Dental Plans Association, we make available *Smile Squad* (defenders of oral health) information that includes games, adventures, and art at www.SmileSquadHQ.com.

Parent and Teacher Resources

School Board Support

Delta Dental supports the New Jersey Association of School Board Officials (NJASBO), the New Jersey Education Association (NJE), and the Connecticut Education Association (CEA), by participating in their annual conventions. Our representatives are available to answer questions and explain our mission of promoting oral health.

40 Year Commitment to Schools

• We serve more than 300 school boards in New Jersey and Connecticut.

• More than 100 school districts in New Jersey have been with Delta Dental for 25 or more consecutive years.

• Over 95% of our group administrators would recommend Delta Dental to others.

• Delta Dental has the largest network of dentists in New Jersey and Connecticut, with 89% of the active licensed dentists participating.

• Our enhanced Web site and Interactive Voice Response system are available 24/7.

Our Mission

Delta Dental of New Jersey’s mission is to promote oral health to the greatest number of people by providing accessible dental benefit programs of the highest quality, service, and value.
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Dental Careers Education

- We have financially supported dental assisting programs at the following high schools: Bloomfield, Newark, Montclair, Nutley, and Essex County Vocational School.
- The Delta Dental of New Jersey Careers Center (a training facility for dental assistants) at Central High School in Newark is named in our honor to recognize our support of this program.
- We fund dental assisting and dental hygiene scholarships at Bergen County Community College, Burlington County College, Middlesex County College, and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey—School of Health Related Professions in New Jersey and Tunxis Community College and the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut.

Innovative Benefits to Keep You Healthy

- Brush Biopsy, a test performed by your dentist during a routine exam, has made it easier to screen and diagnose oral cancer.
- Carryover MaxSM is a rider that rewards you for visiting your dentist for preventive exams and cleanings. Carryover Max allows you to carry forward a portion of your unused annual maximum benefit allowance for future use.
- Oral Health Enhancement Option is an option available to groups that enables eligible members who have been previously treated for periodontal (gum) disease to receive up to four dental cleanings and/or periodontal maintenance procedures per benefit period.

Dental Care

We have supported:
- Stratford Academy, Katherine Brennan School, and Tisdale School school-based clinics in CT.
- The Paterson Public Schools’ children’s dental health clinic in New Jersey.
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