

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT POLICIES**

SUBJECT: Hardship Assistance - Medical

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Dental **\$1000** (One per calendar year)
-An exam, cleaning, and x-rays are covered if there is a medical need or a pain that needs to be addressed; however, preventative maintenance procedures such as a routine annual exam and cleaning will not be covered if there is no specific medical reason to be seen. Gum disease maintenance will not be covered.

Denture Procedures **\$3000** (One per calendar year)
(Replacement pieces are allowed after a five year interval from date of approval)
- Available for full or partial denture and any required extractions. Requires an estimate included with the application. If the applicant does not require dentures, they will fall under the general dental grant and be eligible only for that amount. (Effective May 1, 2007)

Optical **\$300** (Two year interval from date of approval)
-Items we will not pay for are: progressive lenses, sunglasses, scratch coating and tint - unless the doctor prescribes it because of a medical need, such as being light sensitive.

Hearing **\$1500** per ear (Four year interval from date of approval)

Special **\$1000** (Commissioner's Discretion)
-Is defined as a medical or life-threatening need.

Transportation **\$250** reimbursement (documentation required)

Grants have a **\$4000** cap per calendar year per applicant. Grants are considered issued during the calendar year in which it is approved.

If an applicant has shown a pattern of program misuse, the commissioner with the approval of the chairman, may place stipulations upon the applicant's grant request.