



Dental Benefits Amendment Act 2012

No. 183, 2012

**An Act to amend the law relating to dental benefits,
and for related purposes**

Note: An electronic version of this Act is available in ComLaw (<http://www.comlaw.gov.au/>)

Contents

1	Short title.....	1
2	Commencement.....	1
3	Schedule(s).....	2
Schedule 1—Amendments		3
	<i>Dental Benefits Act 2008</i>	3



Dental Benefits Amendment Act 2012

No. 183, 2012

An Act to amend the law relating to dental benefits, and for related purposes

[Assented to 10 December 2012]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Dental Benefits Amendment Act 2012*.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on 1 January 2014.

3 Schedule(s)

Each Act that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Dental Benefits Act 2008

1 Section 4

Insert:

FTB(A) person has the meaning given by subsection 24(2).

2 Section 22

Omit “12”, substitute “2”.

3 Section 23 (heading)

Repeal the heading, substitute:

23 Qualification for a voucher

4 Subsection 23(1) (heading)

Repeal the heading, substitute:

Persons to whom this section applies

5 Paragraphs 23(1)(a) and (b)

Omit “12 years”, substitute “2 years”.

6 Paragraph 24(1)(c)

Omit “FTB(A) teenager”, substitute “FTB(A) person”.

7 Subsection 24(2) (heading)

Repeal the heading, substitute:

When a person is an FTB(A) person

8 Subsection 24(2)

Omit “For the purposes of this section, a person (the *teenager*) is an *FTB(A) teenager*”, substitute “A person is an *FTB(A) person*”.

9 Paragraph 24(2)(a)

Omit “teenager, or the teenager’s partner”, substitute “person, or the person’s partner”.

10 Paragraph 24(2)(b)

Omit “teenager” (wherever occurring), substitute “person”.

11 Paragraph 24(2)(c)

Omit “teenager, or the teenager’s partner”, substitute “person, or the person’s partner”.

12 Paragraph 24(2)(d)

Omit “teenager” (wherever occurring), substitute “person”.

13 Paragraph 24(2)(e)

Omit “the teenager”, substitute “the person”.

14 Paragraph 24(2)(e)

Omit “FTB(A) teenager”, substitute “FTB(A) person”.

15 Subsection 24(3) (definition of *FTB recipient*)

Repeal the definition, substitute:

FTB recipient, in relation to a person (the *child*), means:

- (a) a person of whom the child is an FTB child in relation to family tax benefit; or
- (b) an approved care organisation of which the child is a client (within the meaning of the *A New Tax System (Family Assistance) Act 1999*).

16 Subsection 25(2)

Omit “FTB(A) teenager”, substitute “FTB(A) person”.

17 Subsection 62(2)

Repeal the subsection, substitute:

- (2) Conditions, limitations or restrictions specified in the Dental Benefits Rules may include, but are not limited to, imposing a

specified monetary limit on the amount of dental benefit payable in respect of:

- (a) a specified dental service; or
 - (b) specified dental services provided to specified eligible dental patients; or
 - (c) specified dental services provided to specified eligible dental patients during specified periods.
-

*[Minister's second reading speech made in—
House of Representatives on 12 September 2012
Senate on 11 October 2012]*