Important Questions to Ask Your Dentist

1. What kind of experience do you have working with patients who are veterans?

Some veteran patients may require special care from their dentist so you will want to know that the dentist you choose has experience working with those who have served their country.

2. How often should a veteran patient visit the dentist?

Like any patient, it’s recommended that patients who are veterans visit the dentist once every six months. If there are any prevalent dental issues, a patient may require visiting the dentist more frequently.

3. Can you make any special accommodations during an appointment if needed?

If a veteran patient has any other health conditions, special accommodations may need to be made during a dental appointment. Most dental offices are committed to ensuring the comfort and safety of their patients.

4. Do you have any videos, brochures, or books for patients who are veterans?

Dental care can be confusing and it can be difficult to understand what benefits are available for veterans. Your dentist may have videos, brochures, or other informational resources to help understand what kind of dental care is available.

5. Are there any dental procedures that may be unsafe for veteran patients?

If you are a veteran patient and have any other health conditions, speak with your dentist before scheduling any dental procedures to ensure your safety.

6. Does your office offer any dental benefits for veteran patients?

Be sure to check if you qualify for veteran dental benefits and if your dental office offers them. Most dental offices will accept your benefits and there are VA dental offices available as well.

7. How do I know if I qualify for dental benefits?

Your dentist may be able to help you know what dental benefits you qualify for. Together you can learn about what kind of care is available for you.
8. Is dental sedation covered with my benefits?

If you need dental sedation, talk to your dentist about options for coverage. If you have any other health conditions, you will want to be sure dental sedation is the safest option.