

Children's Oral Health Program presentations are available in both in-person and virtual formats. Contact us for details.



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WHO WE ARE

The New Jersey Department of Health Children’s Oral Health Program has provided age appropriate oral health education to school age children throughout the state for 40 years.

The Children’s Oral Health Program provides a variety of oral health education programs and resources including:

- School-based education activities conducted by Registered Dental Hygienists/Dentists
- Resources for school nurses including the “Miles of Smiles” newsletter and the “Frannie Flossisaurus” and “Mr. Gross Mouth” loaner teaching kits
- Oral health education for participants in the Women, Infants, and Children Supplemental Food Program (WIC)
- Programs adapted for special needs children
- Oral health education for public health and social service professionals
- Parent/guardian information including the importance of regular dental check-ups and dental sealants

Programs cover a variety of topics including: oral health and hygiene instruction, importance of regular dental check-ups, healthy food choices, oral effects of tobacco/vape use, oral cancer, prevention of oral injury, oral piercing, importance of mouthguards, periodontal disease and the systemic connection between oral and general health.

Oral Health Programs are provided free of charge. Contact the Regional Oral Health Coordinator (contact information is listed on the back of this brochure) to schedule a Program.



FEATURING...

- **Age appropriate oral health education:**
 - **Pre-K- 1st:** brushing technique, healthy food choices, visiting the dentist
 - **2nd to 4th:** plaque, flossing, sealants
 - **5th to 6th:** oral health injuries, oral piercings, braces, mouth guards
 - **9th to 12th:** oral effects of tobacco/vape use, oral cancer, periodontal disease
 - **Parenting & Community Education:** Oral hygiene practices for adults, infants, & children, nutrition, importance of dental visits, healthy lifestyle choices
- **Teaching kits for loan to schools that include sample curriculums, teaching puppets, books, and visual aids. Kits may be used by school professionals.**

