

Evidence-Based and Recommended Oral Health Websites

Oral Health for Early Childhood and Individuals with Special Health Care Needs (ISHCN)

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For Families and Professionals:

American Dental Association <https://www.mouthhealthy.org/>

Academy of General Dentistry <http://www.knowyourteeth.com/>

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry <https://www.mychildrensteeth.org/>

American Academy of Pediatrics <https://www.aap.org/oralhealth/>
<https://www.healthychildren.org/> Click on 'Healthy Living' then 'Oral Health'

American Academy of Pediatrics Campaign for Dental Health - excellent resources regarding community water fluoridation facts <https://ilikemyteeth.org/>

American Cleft Palate - Craniofacial Foundation <https://cleftline.org>

Autism Speaks <https://www.autismspeaks.org>
<https://www.autismspeaks.org/tool-kit/atnair-p-parents-guide-applied-behavior-analysis>

NIH Cleft Lip & Palate Information <https://medlineplus.gov/cleftlipandpalate.html>

Specialized Care Company - a commercial company, but potentially useful tools and a good video on brushing someone else's teeth (for purchase only)
<https://specializedcare.com/>

University of Washington School of Dentistry fact sheets regarding ISHCN:
<https://dental.washington.edu/dept-oral-med/special-needs/patients-with-special-needs/>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention <https://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/index.html>

"Healthy Smiles for Autism: Oral Hygiene Tips for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder"
(36 page color photo booklet)
http://dentaletc.umaryland.edu/odar/health_smiles_for_autism.pdf

“Dental Toolkit” webpage with multiple resources, including the “Autism Speaks Family Services Dental Guide” <https://www.autismspeaks.org/tool-kit/dental-tool-kit>

Virginia Dental Association Foundation Resources: Donated Dental Services (DDS), MOM (Mission of Mercy, including Special Olympics), etc. <https://www.vdaf.org/>

Virginia Health Catalyst – Advocacy for health of all Virginians, incl. oral health <https://vahealthcatalyst.org/>

VDH Online Dentist Directory and Educational Resources:

<https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/oral-health/>

- Click on ‘Find A Dentist’ at the bottom of the webpage
- Find Virginia dentists willing to provide dental care for ISHCN and children < 3 yrs
- Dentists: please add and periodically update your contact information
- Questions? Call (804) 864-7775

For Medical and Dental Professionals:

Smiles for Life Oral Health Curriculum <https://www.smilesforlifeoralhealth.org/>

National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center <https://www.mchoralhealth.org>
<https://www.mchoralhealth.org/SpecialCare/> - 5 modules (free CE credits)

National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (printable brochures)
<https://www.nidcr.nih.gov/health-info>

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Home Page <https://www.aapd.org/>

AAP Pennsylvania Chapter <http://www.healthyteethhealthychildren.org/>

Click on “Resources” tab for printable healthy mouth pages/posters in English, Spanish, Korean, Chinese, Russian, Vietnamese, Arabic, and Haitian Creole

American Dental Hygienists’ Association

<https://www.adha.org/education-resources/professional-resources/clinical-practice-resources/>

Special Care Dentistry

<https://www.scdonline.org/educational-fact-sheets>

Sample of a ‘social story’ for the dental office:

<http://www.thecenterforpediatricdentistry.com/intranet/ss/socialstory.pdf>