
Providing Hygiene in Title 1 Schools.

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Updates in Pediatric Dentistry



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- Specialized care for children and adolescents in a child friendly environment
- Focus on preventative care to build healthy habits
- Extensive experience in sedation dentistry
- Laser frenectomy and tongue tie release

About Our Practice

My Family



February is Children's Dental Health Month



tooth decay is the *most common* childhood disease



3 out of every 5 children are affected by tooth decay



16 million lack access to basic dental care

5x more common than asthma 

51 million school hours missed due to oral disease 

tooth decay is *almost entirely preventable!*

Every \$1 spent on prevention in oral care can save you \$8-\$50 on restorative and emergency procedures



2 is too late! Take your child to see a dentist before age 1



\$1 million

Amount Tom's of Maine has provided to dental clinics to increase access to oral care

Brush your teeth at least twice a day for two minutes



Tooth decay is the most common childhood disease, affecting nearly 60 percent of children. SOURCE: http://www.pewtrusts.org/our_work_detail.aspx?id=574 Tooth decay is the most common disease of childhood—five times more common than asthma. SOURCE: http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/publications/factsheets/dental_caries.htm Oral disease causes kids to miss 51 million school hours and their parents to lose 25 million work hours annually. SOURCE: <http://www.healthymouthshealthyvives.org/> More than 16 million children still lack access to basic dental care. SOURCE: Pew Center on the States, 2011, 50-state report card, http://www.pewstates.org/uploadedFiles/PCS_Assets/2011/The_State_of_Childrens_Dental_health.pdf Every \$1 spent on prevention in oral care can save you \$8-\$50 on restorative and emergency procedures. SOURCE: American Dental Education Association—Health Care Reform Advocacy Report 2008

Title One Schools

Title I, Part A (Title I) of the **Elementary** and Secondary Education Act, as amended (ESEA) provides financial assistance to local educational agencies (**LEAs**) and schools with high numbers or high percentages of **children** from low-income families to help ensure that all **children** meet challenging **state** academic standards.



Hygienists Role in Title One Schools

EXAM

Scale/polish

Sealants

EDUCATION!!! (Hooray)

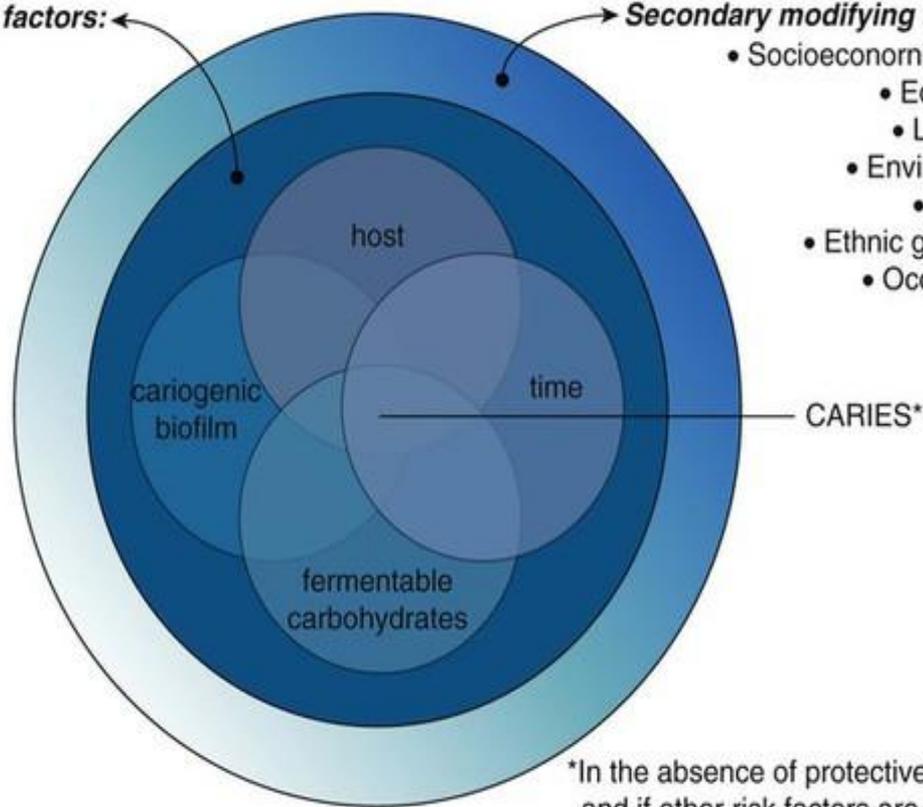
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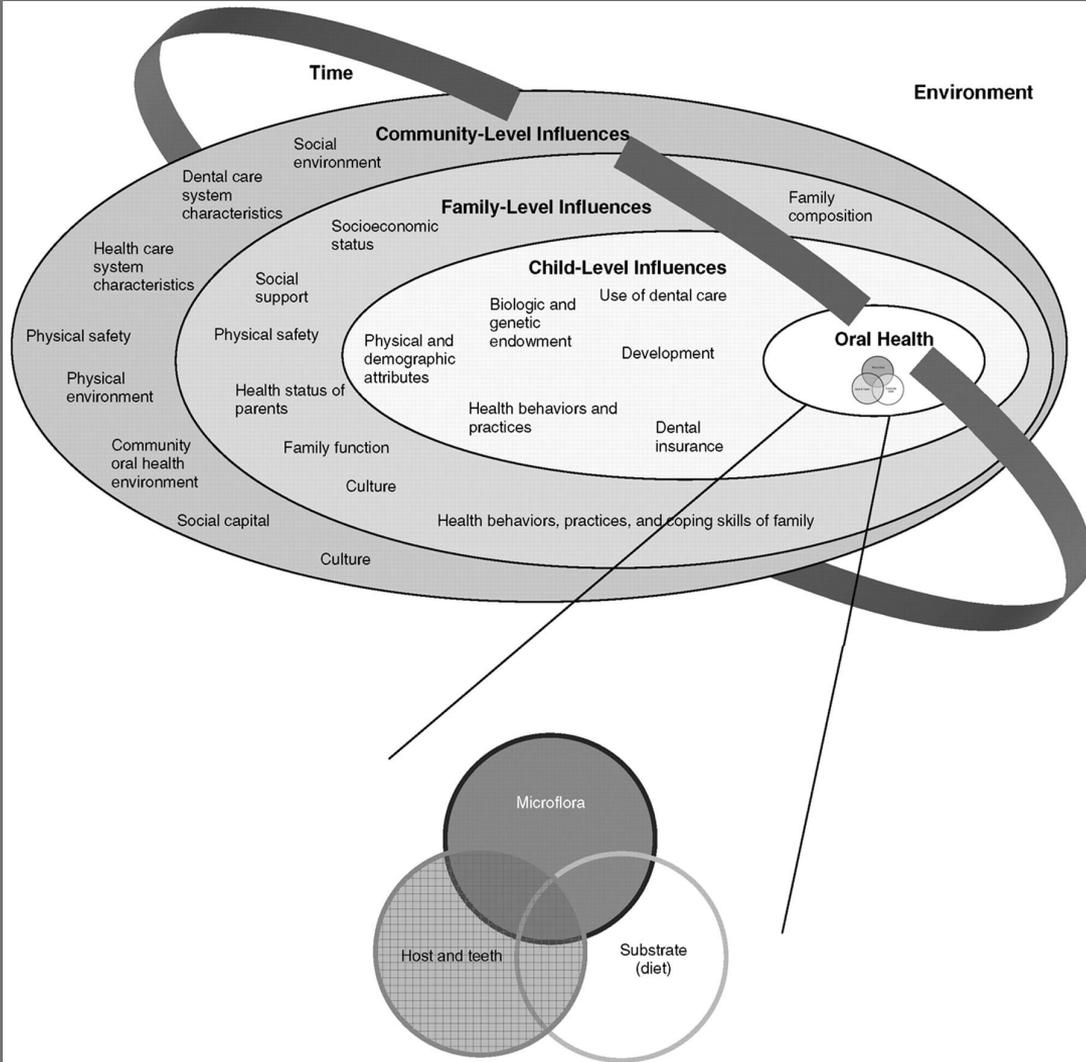
- Tooth anatomy
- Saliva
- Biofilm pH
- Use of fluoride
- Diet specifics
- Oral hygiene
- Immune system
- Genetic factors

Secondary modifying factors:

- Socioeconomic status
 - Education
 - Life-style
- Environment
 - Age (?)
- Ethnic group (?)
- Occupation



*In the absence of protective factors and if other risk factors are present



The "Caries Balance"

Pathological Factors

- Acid-producing bacteria
- Sub-normal saliva flow and/or function
- Frequent eating/drinking of fermentable carbohydrates
- Poor oral hygiene



Demineralization
(Caries)

Protective Factors

- Saliva flow and components
- Remineralization (fluoride, calcium, phosphate)
- Antibacterials (fluoride, chlorhexidine, xylitol)
- Good oral hygiene



Remineralization
(No caries)





Caries Rates 2017

Overall dental caries in the baby teeth of children 2 to 11 declined from the early 1970s until the mid 1990s.

From the mid 1990s until the most recent (1999-2004) National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, this trend has reversed: a small but significant increase in primary decay was found.

Why??

Early Childhood Caries

Children at High Risk for Caries

Children at High Risk for Early Tooth Decay
• Children on Medicaid
• Children whose mother or primary caregiver has cavities
• Children with siblings who have cavities
• Premature or low birth weight children
• Children with special health care needs
• Children who use a bottle after 15 months of age or have sweets and starchy snacks more than 3 times a day

Caries in young children



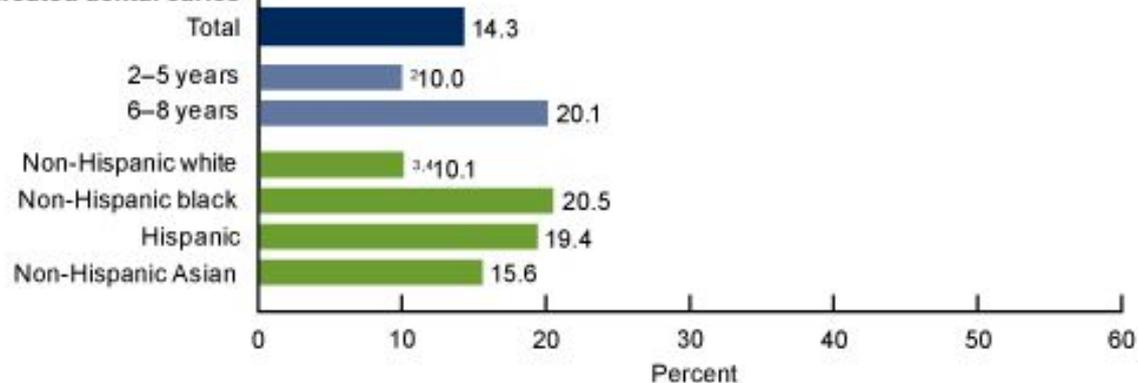
Approximately 37% of children aged 2–8 years had experienced dental caries in primary teeth in 2011–2012

Dental caries among children aged 2–5 was nearly 23% compared with 56% among those aged 6–8.



Caries prevalence was higher for Hispanic (46%) and non-Hispanic black (44%) children compared with non-Hispanic white children (31%) aged 2–8.

Non-Hispanic Asian children were less likely to have experienced dental caries (36%) compared with Hispanic children (46%) aged 2–8, but were not different from non-Hispanic white or non-Hispanic black children.

Dental caries experience¹**Untreated dental caries**

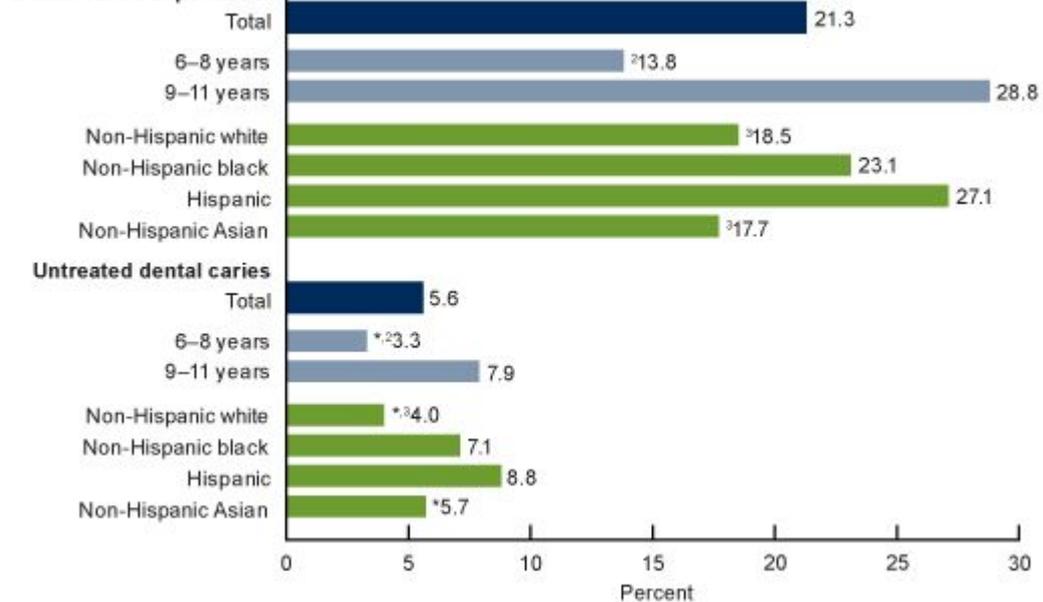
What percentage of children had any dental caries in permanent teeth?

In 2011–2012, 21% of children aged 6–11 had experienced dental caries in permanent teeth (Figure 2). Dental caries among children aged 6–8 was nearly 14% and was twice as high for children aged 9–11 (29%). Caries prevalence was higher among Hispanic children aged 6–11 (27%) compared with non-Hispanic white children (19%) or non-Hispanic Asian children (18%).

Approximately 6% of children aged 6–11 had untreated tooth decay in permanent teeth. Untreated caries in permanent teeth was twice as high for children aged 9–11 (8%) compared with children aged 6–8 years (3%). Prevalence of untreated caries was higher for Hispanic children (9%) compared with non-Hispanic white children (4%) aged 6–11 years.



Dental caries experience¹

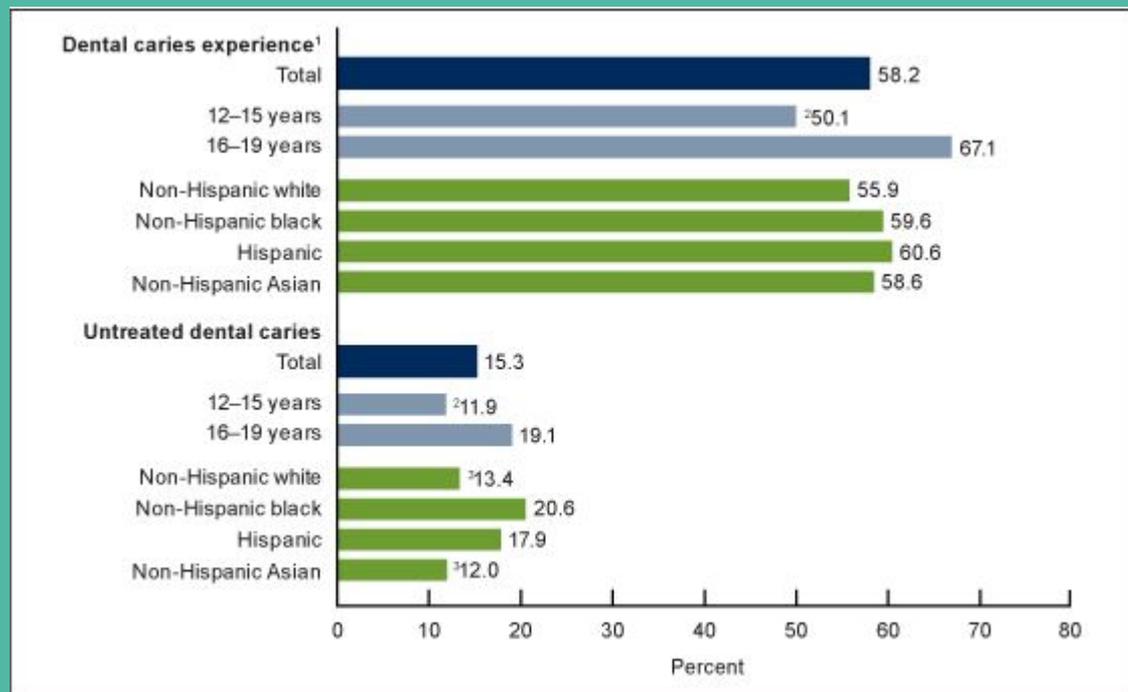


Among adolescents, how prevalent was dental caries in permanent teeth?

Among adolescents aged 12–19, 58% had experienced dental caries in permanent teeth in 2011–2012 ([Figure 3](#)). The prevalence of dental caries experience was higher among adolescents aged 16–19 (67%) compared with those aged 12–15 (50%). Overall, the percentage with caries experience did not significantly differ by race and Hispanic origin among adolescents.

Fifteen percent of adolescents aged 12–19 had untreated caries in permanent teeth in 2011–2012. Untreated tooth decay was higher among adolescents aged 16–19 (19%) compared with those aged 12–15 (12%). Untreated caries was higher for non-Hispanic black adolescents (21%) compared with non-Hispanic white (13%) or non-Hispanic Asian (12%) adolescents.

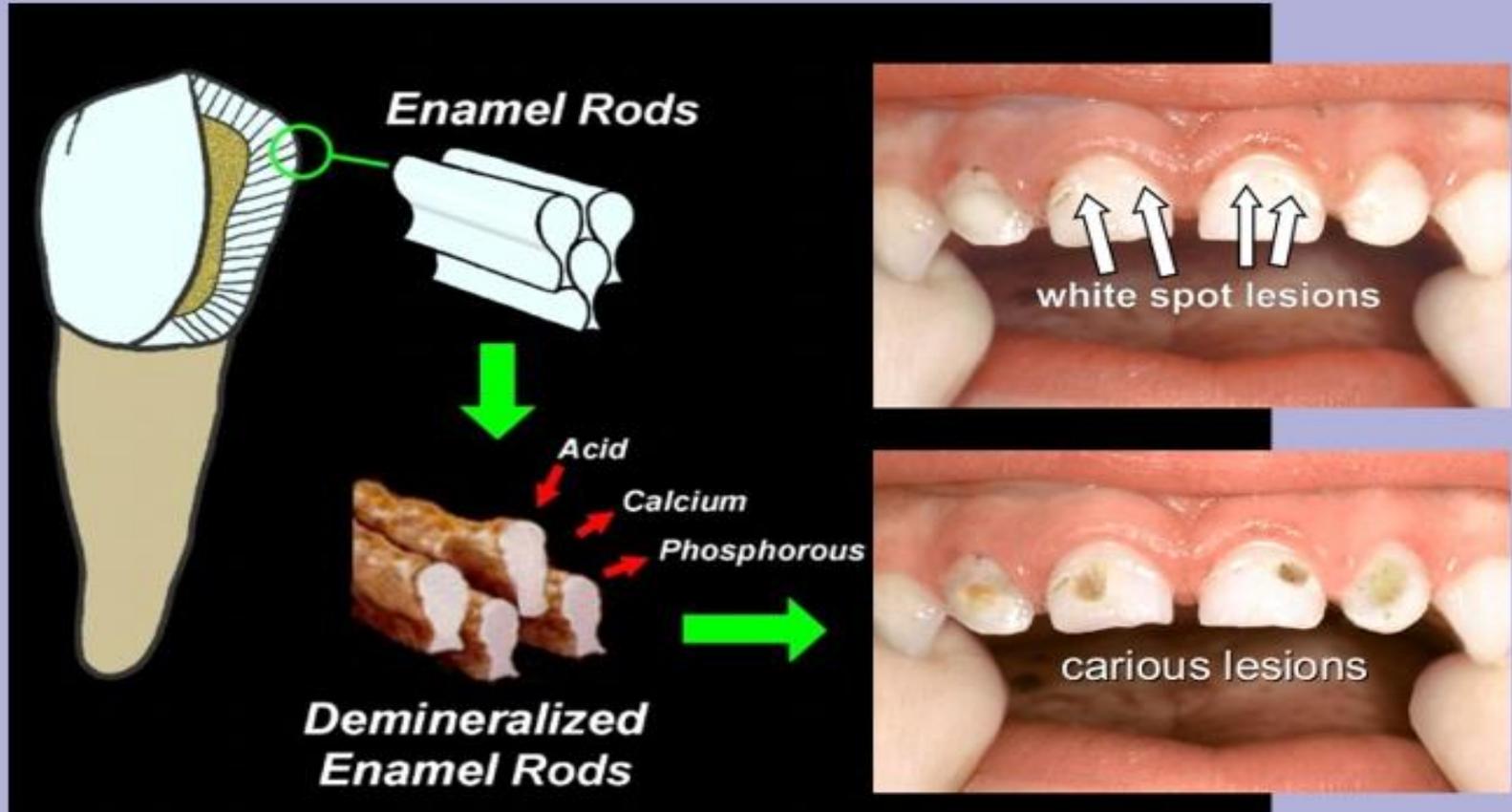




Dragon's Beard Candy



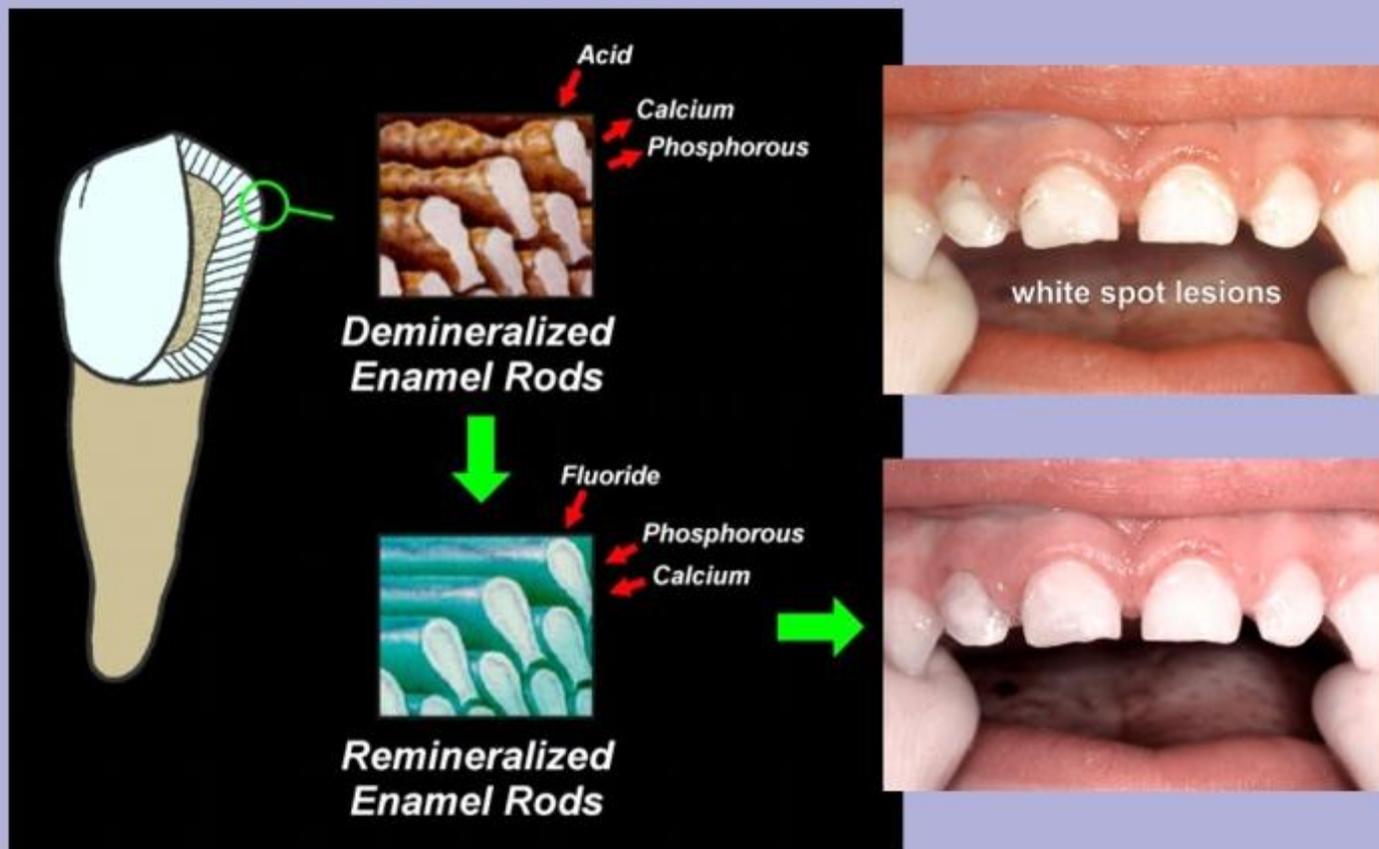
What is Demineralization?



Demineralization

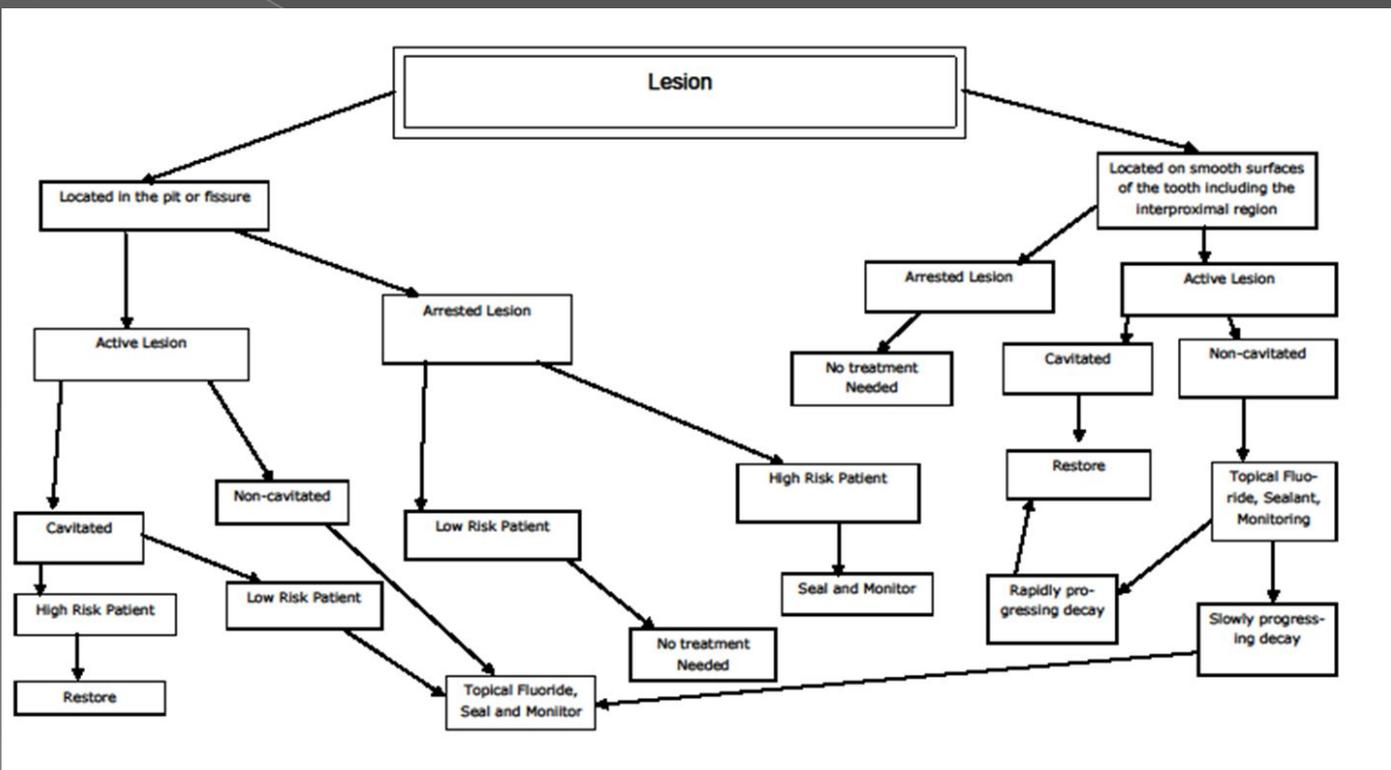
Demineralization occurs when acid lowers the pH at the tooth surface. This causes calcium, phosphate, and other minerals to diffuse out of the enamel and creates a subsurface lesion. The earliest loss of mineral during the demineralization process is not visible to the naked eye. The first clinical sign may appear as a chalky-white, demineralized area on the tooth surface. These demineralized areas are referred to as “white spot lesions”. Left unabated, the cycle will lead to a frank, cavitated, invasive lesion.

What is Remineralization?

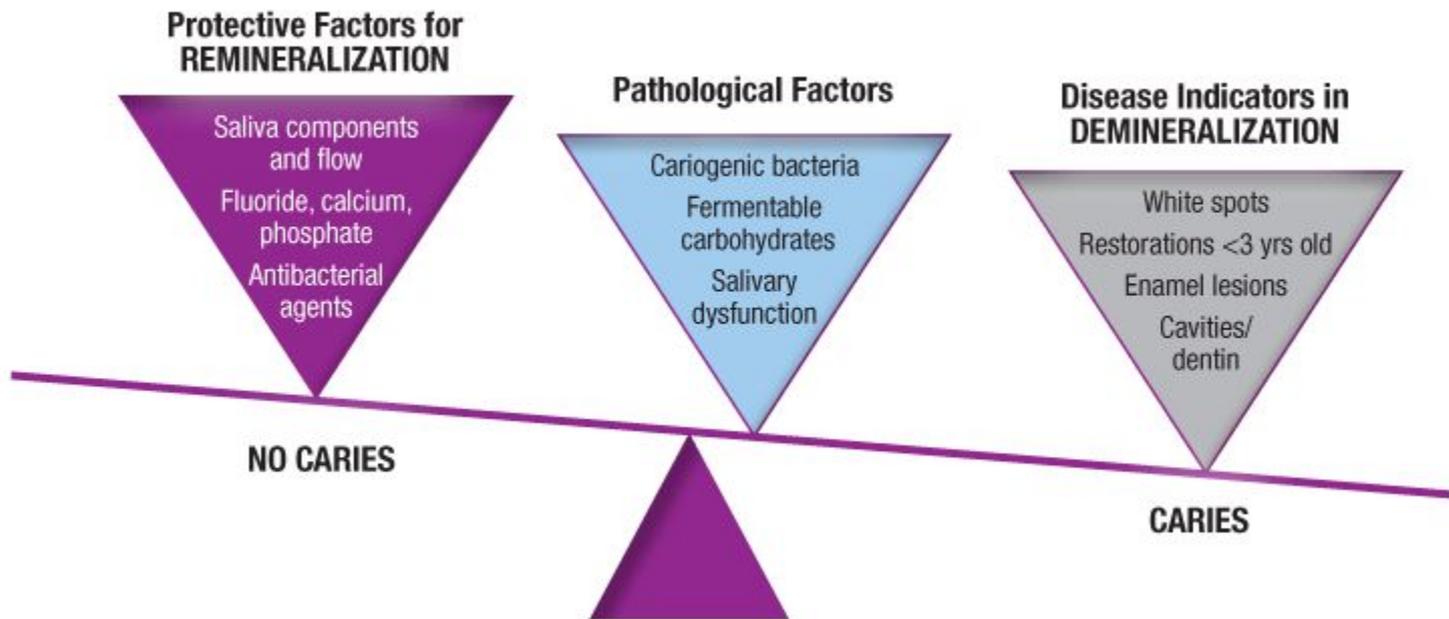


Remineralization

Remineralization represents the opposite reaction. During remineralization, mineral is redeposited in the subsurface lesion. Fluoride, even in low concentrations, can enhance the remineralization of enamel and may actually result in a crystal structure that is more caries resistant.



THE CARIES IMBALANCE⁵



Featherstone, Young, Woulf, 2007

**What can you do as a
hygienist?**

Community

Professional

Home Care

Education
Water fluoridation
Community and
personel development

Early Detection
diet counseling
fluoride
chlorhexidine

Dietary habits
Fluoride dentifrices
Tooth-brushing

Control of transmission
of cariogenic bacteria

Fluoride in Toothpaste

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Here's a summary of expert advice for children of different ages:

- For babies and toddlers, use a dab of fluoridated toothpaste the size of a grain of rice as their teeth come in.

- Children ages 4 and 5 should use a pea-sized amount of fluoridated toothpaste. Supervise them to prevent them from swallowing toothpaste. I don't recommend giving them water to rinse with unless you are confident they know how to rinse with it. The natural instinct can be to simply drink the water rather than spit it out.

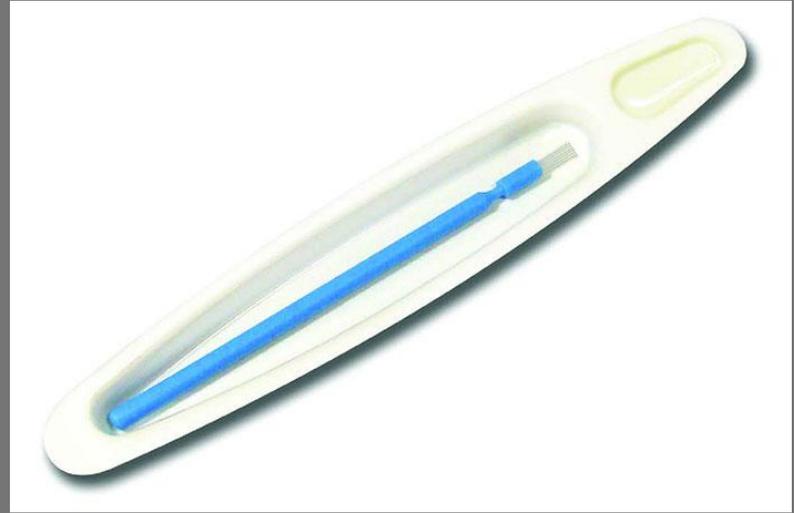


Rice Size under age 4

Pea Size over age 4

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**Fluoride
Varnish 5%PPM
Sodium
Fluoride**



Fluoride Varnish

Applying Fluoride Varnish - Instructions for Provider

- Have everything ready.
- Open varnish packet and mix it well.
- Wipe child's teeth dry with a clean gauze.
- Paint child's teeth with varnish using disposable applicator.
- Instruct parents.
 - *Do not brush the child's teeth until the next day.*
 - *The child's teeth may be slightly yellow until they are brushed.*
 - *The child can eat and drink right away but should avoid hot liquids.*



Pediatricians and Fluoride

Pediatricians applying fluoride At Well Checks

“Fluoride Use in Caries Prevention in the Primary Care Setting,” the American Academy of Pediatrics recommended fluoride varnish at least once every 6 months – and preferably every 3 months – starting at tooth emergence ([Pediatrics. 2014 Sep;134\[3\]:626-33](#)).

Pediatricians get paid for the service

Encourage the parents to ask
for it!!

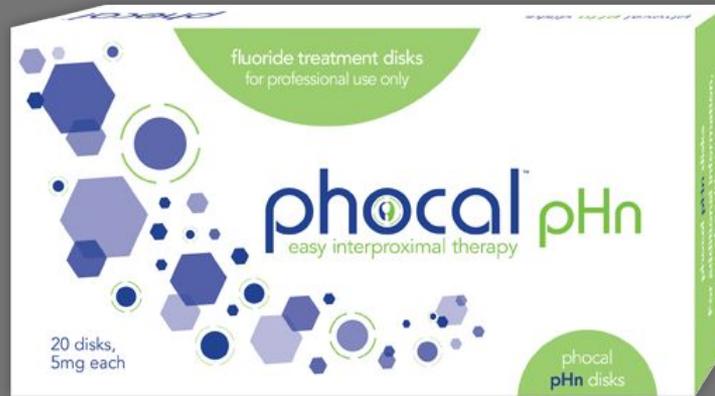
And in September 2015,
fluoride varnish was added
to the Bright Futures
Guidelines for Health
Supervision of Infants,
Children, and Adolescents
and integrated into the
Bright Futures–AAP
periodicity schedule.

Clinpro 5000



1.1% Sodium Fluoride
Calcium
Phosphate

PhoCal



Fluoride Disks

Contains 0.1135mg of sodium fluoride

Difficult to Place, but hold promise

Patented Phocal disks are semi-permeable fluoride in a unique P disk form for insertion between the teeth. Once positioned interproximally, they soften and expand forming a gel. The disks prevent and repair early interproximal decay at the microscopic, nanoscopic and molecular levels. Phocal fluoride disks weigh 5mg, contain 1.02% fluoride ions



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Xylitol

Xylitol is a naturally occurring sugar alcohol found in virtually all fruits. With a molecular structure different from regular sugars, xylitol actually inhibits bacterial growth. As a food additive, xylitol limits the formation of tooth-destroying acids and reduces the ability of plaque to adhere to intraoral surfaces.

Xylitol

Studies further indicate that the effects of xylitol actually compound the benefits of fluoride, such as remineralization of tooth enamel. Also the sweet, cool taste of xylitol increases salivary flow, optimizing pH level in the mouth to promote dental health.

XYLITOL

5 carbon sugar alcohol sweetener.

40% fewer calories than Sucrose.

Reduces acid production of plaque,
plaque adherence, and MS.

High doses (therapeutic doses) cause
diarrhea.

20-30 minutes at least 3 times a day.



Sealants

How prevalent were dental sealants among children?

Nearly one-half of children aged 9–11 had at least one dental sealant on a permanent tooth, whereas 31% of children aged 6–8 had a dental sealant.

Non-Hispanic black and non-Hispanic Asian children aged 6–11 (31%) had lower dental sealant prevalence compared with non-Hispanic white children (44%).

Hispanic children (40%) had higher dental sealant prevalence compared with non-Hispanic black children aged 6–11 (31%).



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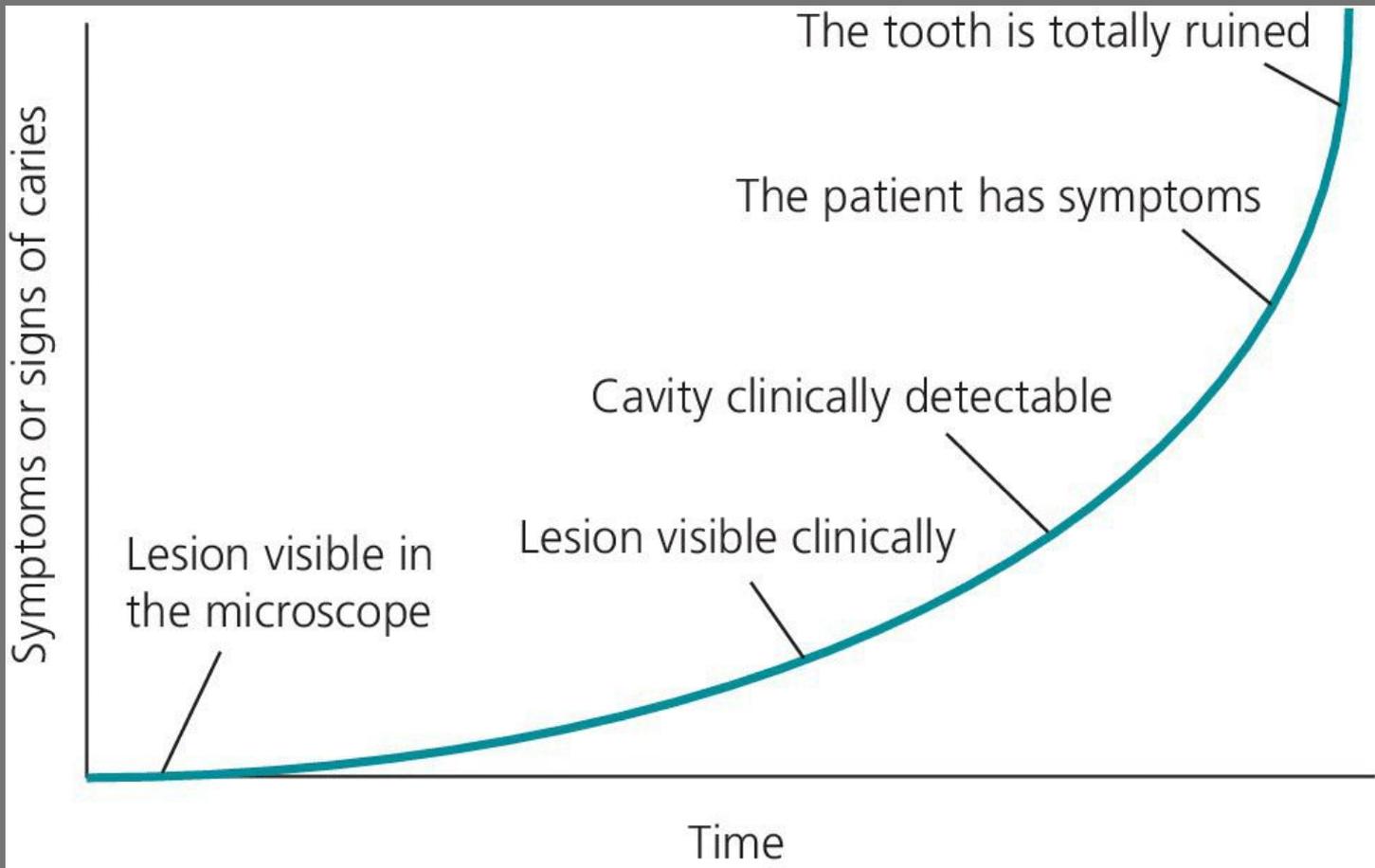


Sealant Placement



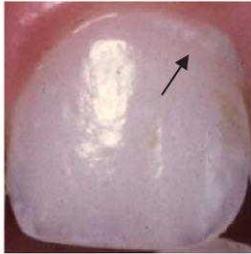
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**Sealants-When are
we doing more harm
than good?**





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Code 1



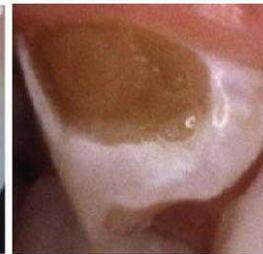
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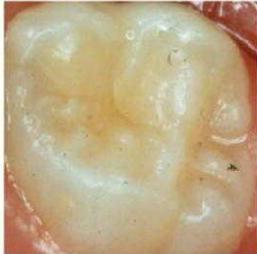
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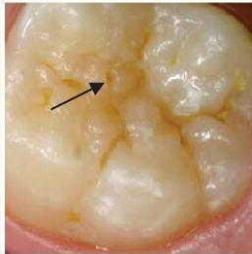
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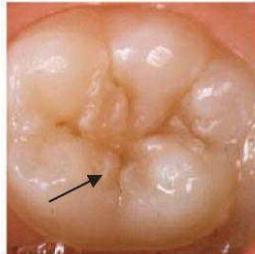
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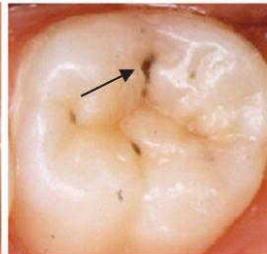
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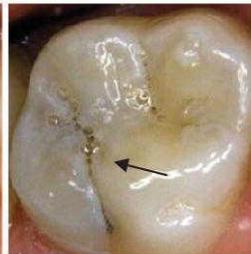
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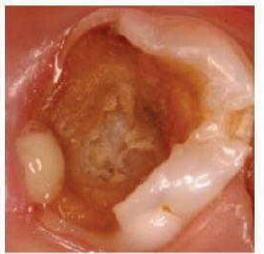
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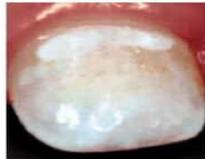


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Code 6

Buccal and lingual caries (clinical recordings)



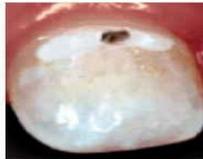
Grade 1 (B1)

White or discolored enamel. No cavitation clinically.



Grade 2 (B2)

Small cavity in enamel.



Grade 3 (B3)

Moderate sized cavity in enamel with exposed dentin (verified by probing).



Grade 4 (B4)

Large cavity in enamel and moderate cavity in dentin.



Grade 5 (B5)

Extensive cavity in enamel and substantial loss of dentin.

Occlusal caries (clinical and radiographic recordings)



Grade 1 (O1)

White or brown discoloration in enamel. No clinical cavitation. No radiographic evidence of caries.



Grade 2 (O2)

Small cavity formation, or discoloration of the fissure with surrounding gray/opaque enamel and/or radiolucency in enamel on radiograph.



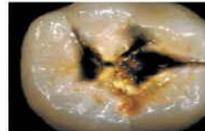
Grade 3 (O3)

Moderate sized cavity and/or radiolucency in the outer third of dentin.



Grade 4 (O4)

Big cavity and/or radiolucency in the middle third of dentin.



Grade 5 (O5)

Very big cavity and/or radiolucency in the inner third of dentin.

Approximal caries (radiographic recordings)



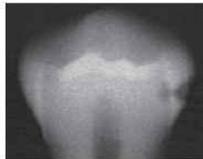
Grade 1 (A1)

Radiolucency in outer half of enamel.



Grade 2 (A2)

Radiolucency in inner half of enamel.



Grade 3 (A3)

Radiolucency in the outer third of dentin.



Grade 4 (A4)

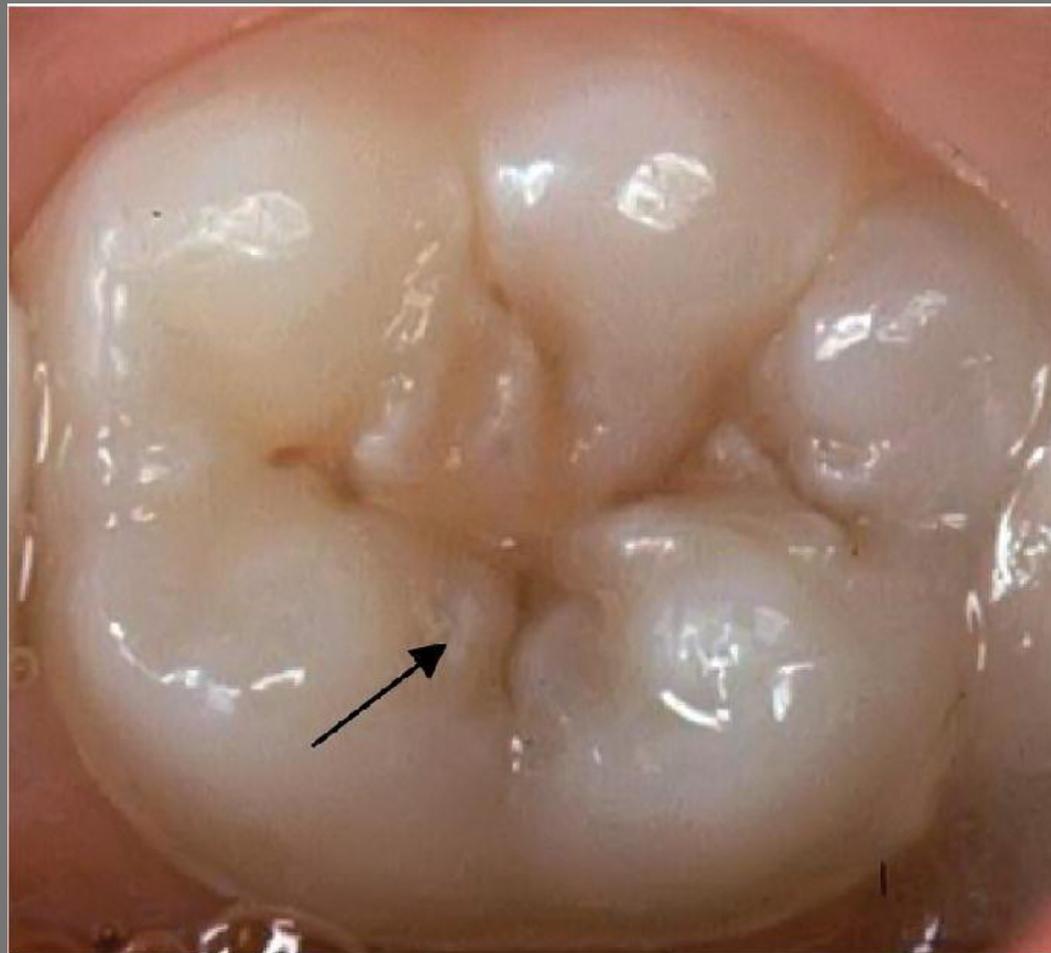
Radiolucency in the middle third of dentin.



Grade 5 (A5)

Radiolucency in the inner third of dentin.

(b)



(a)

Causes of Sealant Failure

1. Aging

- Sealant has reached its maximum service life and has become dry, brittle, cracked and/or crazed and shows sign of significant aging.

2. Incorrect Sealant for Application

- Sealant installed was not appropriate for application due to inadequate performance characteristics. The correct sealant should be identified based on the nature of the sealant failures observed.

3. Inadequate Surface Preparation

- Sealant is exhibiting adhesive failure due to dirt, dust, debris, and/or other contaminants present on joint face at time of sealant application.
- Omission of manufacturer's required sealant primer.

4. Excessive Joint Movement

- Actual thermal joint movement has exceeded the designed movement capabilities of the installed joint sealant causing cohesive sealant failures.

5. Early Joint Movement During Sealant Cure Cycle

- Early joint movement caused by extreme temperature swings has occurred during the initial sealant cure cycle and has caused surface wrinkling and/or cracking leading to cohesive sealant failures.

6. Improper Sealant Application

- Improper sealant dimensions (width to depth ratio) leading to excessive or insufficient sealant depth.
- Sealant was not properly mixed leading to insufficient cure and poor sealant performance (applicable to multi-component sealants only).
- Three-sided adhesion due to inappropriate or non-existent sealant backing.
- Inadequate sealant tooling causing lack of contact at sealant / substrate interface resulting in adhesive failures or insufficient cure.

Sodium Diamine Fluoride



Advantage Arrest

Any
decalcification
stains-stays
black.

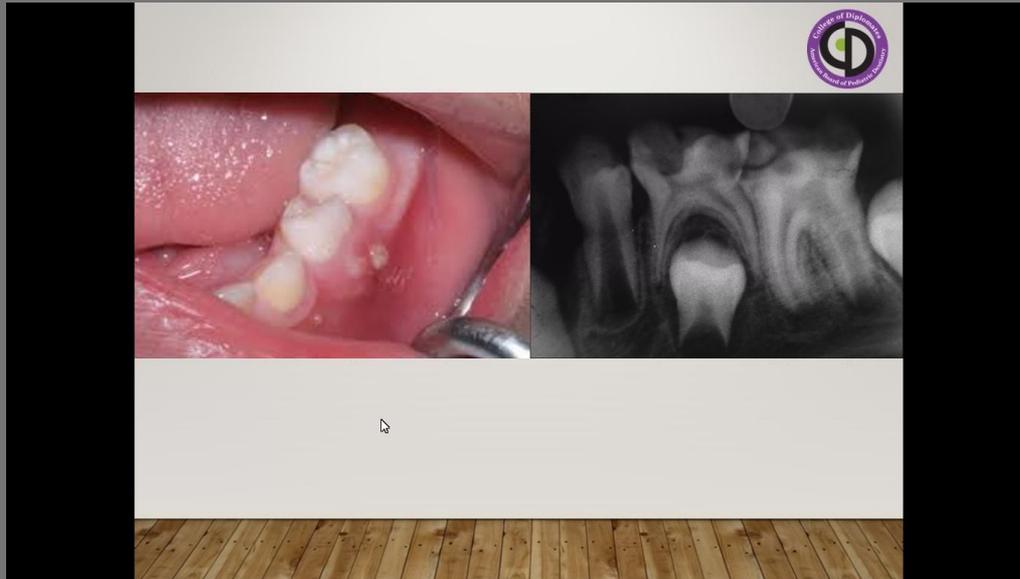
Silver Diamine Fluoride Application



Reality!



Infection! What does it look like?



Tip

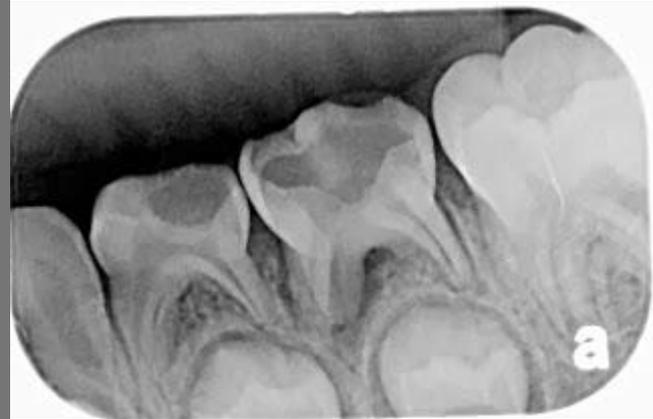
Remember. Infection can be dangerous-it is critical to get these patients care by a dentist or pediatrician ASAP.



ByeByeDoctor.com



Primary Tooth Infection

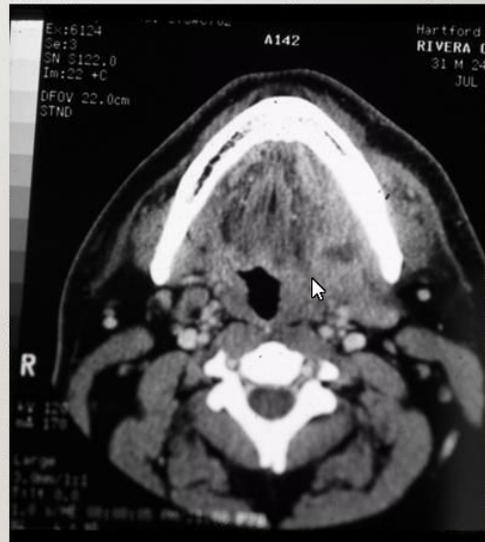


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Permanent Tooth Infection



SERIOUS INFECTION: DEVIATION OF THE AIRWAY



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Where to go?

Pediatrician, ER, etc.

Ectopic Eruption

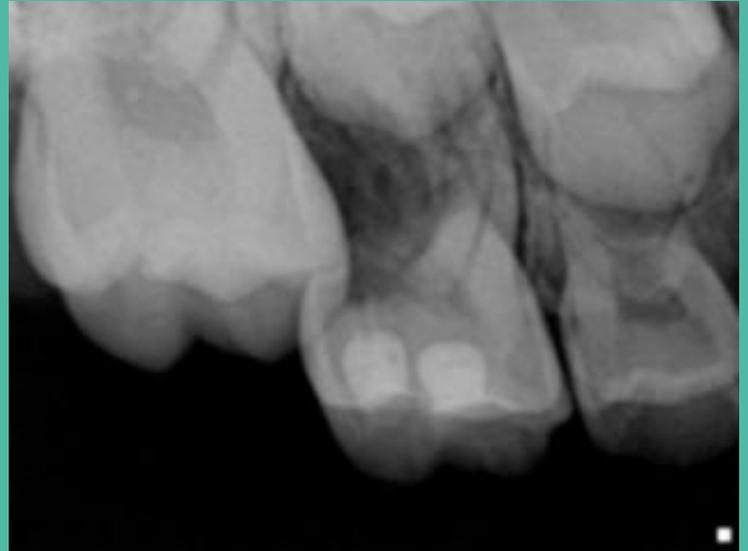
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**6 year old lower
anterior “shark
teeth”**



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**6 year molars
Can cause
Ectopic eruption
too.**



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**10-12 year olds
double row-most
know!**



Ectopic Bicuspid



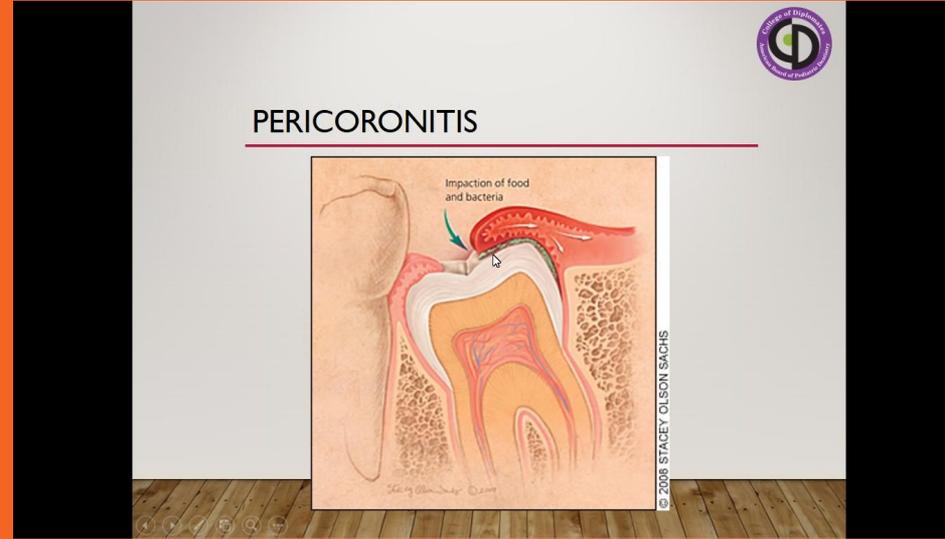
Ectopic Canine

Eruption Cyst



Pericoronitis- Uncomfortable

Can cause
serious infection.



Mouth Guards

Encourage Athletes to wear
mouthguards



Inexpensive

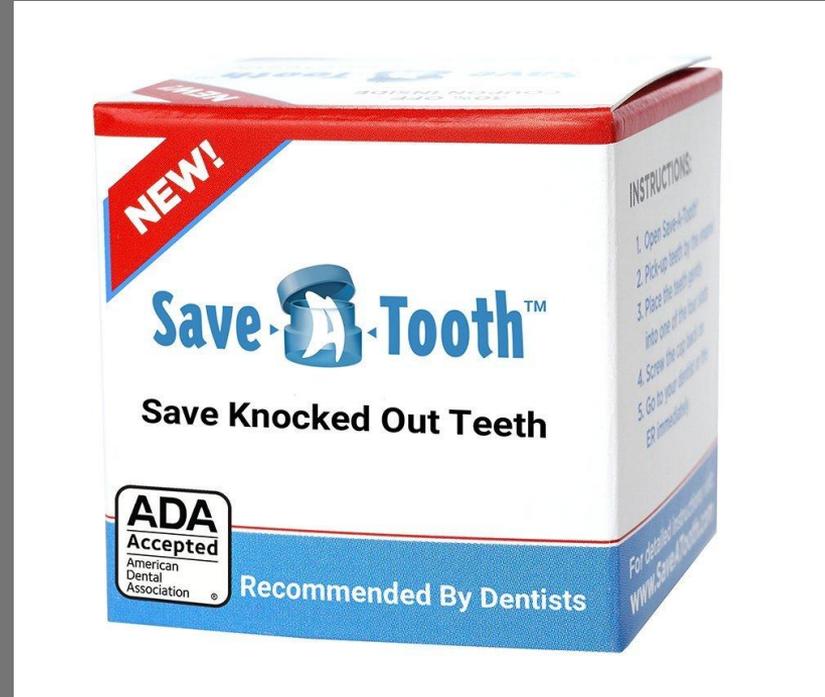
Boil and Bite Guard



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**Mouthguard can be
adjusted as child
exfoliates primary
teeth.**

Hanks Balanced Solution or Milk





SAVE THAT TOOTH!

A front tooth can be knocked out in accidents, during play, sports, road traffic accidents, falls or fights.

Immediate Action Could Save that Tooth:



- 1** **Keep Calm!**
Make sure that it is an adult tooth, baby teeth should not be put back in.



ADULT TOOTH
Replant

BABY TOOTH
Don't Replant
Bring the child to a dentist

Telephone the dentist to tell them you're on your way

- 2** Find the tooth and pick it up by the crown (the white part). Avoid touching the root as this can damage the membrane which is essential to saving that tooth.



- 3** If the tooth is dirty, wash it briefly (10 seconds) using milk, saline solution or cold running water.



- 4** Replant the tooth, using the shape of the teeth at either side of the gap as a guide to positioning. The injured person should bite on a handkerchief for 15-20 minutes to hold the tooth in position.



Seek emergency dental treatment immediately

- 5** If the tooth cannot be replanted immediately, it can be carried:

Inside the injured person's mouth, between the teeth and the inside of the cheek

OR

In milk or a special storage medium for knocked out teeth, if available. Avoid storage in water.



Available for download from: www.dentalhealth.ie

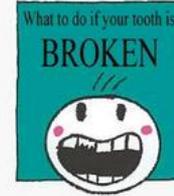
TRAUMA EDUCATION

Send worksheets to parents.

Save your tooth



Most of your permanent teeth may be saved if you know what to do after a blow to the mouth



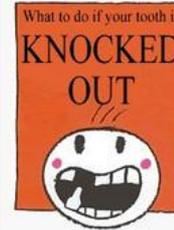
Find the piece of the tooth



The piece can be glued on



For this to be possible, seek attention immediately from a dentist



Find the tooth



Hold it by the crown



(Plug the sink)
Rinse in cold tap water



Put the tooth back in its place



Place the tooth in a cup of milk or saline



When milk is not available, place the tooth in the mouth between the cheeks and gums



Seek immediately specialized dental treatment, within a two hour time period



UNIVERSIDAD
DE
VALPARAISO
CHILE

Educational Resources

You can make a difference!



American Dental Association

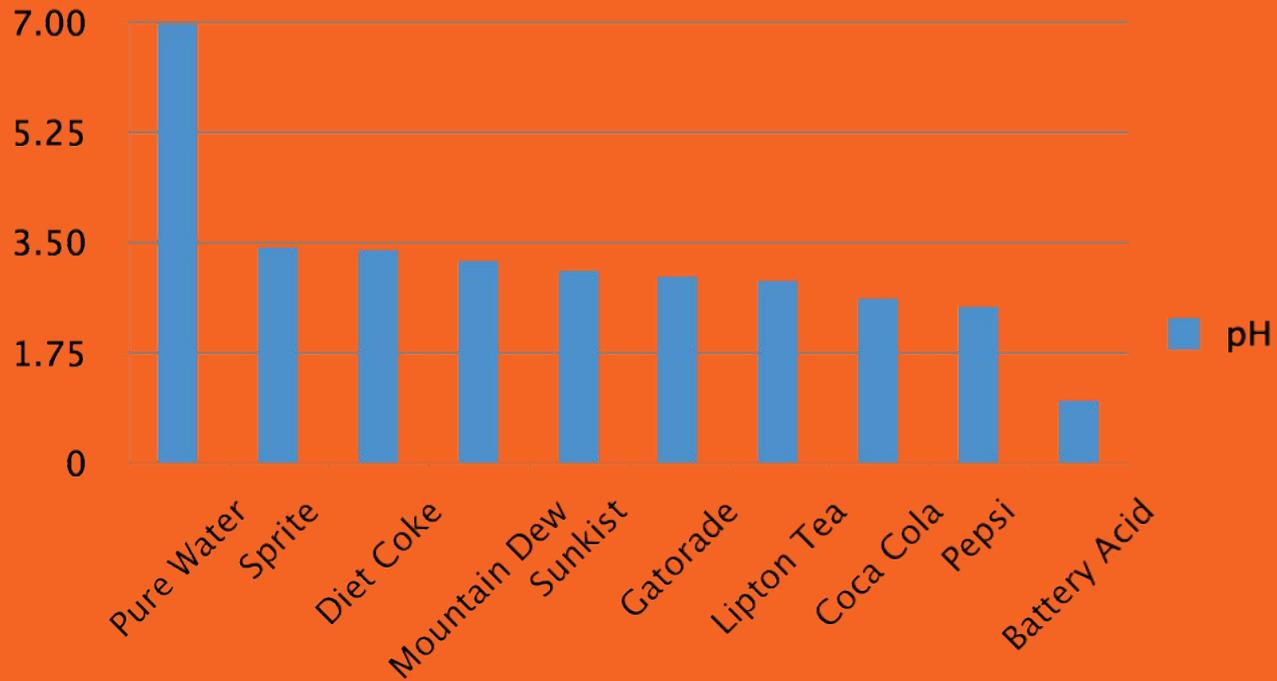


<http://www.mouthhealthykids.org/en/educators/smile-smarts-dental-health-curriculum>

Juice/Soda Aisle

Bigger than ever!





Education

Education

Kids will listen and follow directions.



“51
MILLION
SCHOOL HOURS
PER YEAR ARE
LOST BECAUSE
OF DENTAL
RELATED
ILLNESS.”

SURGEON GENERAL DAVID SATCHER

“THE AVERAGE
PERSON ONLY
BRUSHES FOR 45
TO 70 SECONDS
A DAY-THE
RECOMMENDED
AMOUNT OF
TIME IS

“2-3 MINUTES.”

ACADEMY OF GENERAL DENTISTRY

“50%
OF AMERICANS
DO NOT RECEIVE
REGULAR ORAL
HEALTH CARE.”

AMERICAN HYGIENIST ASSOC 2/03

3 Ways to Prevent Tooth Decay in Kids

Did You Know...

Approximately 48% of third graders in the Commonwealth have experienced tooth decay, which affects more than smiles 😞

Bacteria in the mouth turns starch and sugar into acid that can weaken teeth

How Tooth Decay Forms



ACID



Keep Your Child's Smile Healthy with These Best Practices

Brush 2x a Day



Make sure to use toothpaste containing fluoride to strengthen your child's teeth

Consume Less Sugary Foods & Drinks



Limiting sugary foods & drinks will help prevent tooth decay

Drink Water Containing Fluoride



Drinking water containing fluoride strengthens tooth enamel

