



San Benito County
Oral Health Program

Healthy Teeth
for all San Benito
County!

Grant Funding- Local Oral Health Programs

California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act 2016 provides \$30 million annually to support the state oral health plan. Funds 5 year LOHPs.

Expand Denti-Cal insurance coverage/ Covered California insurance programs for families and individuals.

Mission to improve the oral health of all Californians through prevention, education, and organized community efforts.



PROP 56

**The California Healthcare Research &
Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016**



What's Our Kindergarten Decay Rate?

#1 Reason nationally children miss school?

State Decay Rate:

Kindergarten - 54%, 3rd grade is 70%

San Benito County Decay Rate:

Kindergarten - 60%

Pre-Schools/Early learning sites: Higher

What are we doing for San Benito County?

Oral Health Education – at school sites,
daycares, perinatal clinic and
conducting parent workshops

Toothbrush programs in the schools

Partnering with other community
organizations for oral health activities

Prevention programs – Tooth brushing,
Fluoride Varnish, Sealant Programs

Promotion of National Children's Dental
Health Month – February

Completing – AB1433, Kindergarten
Oral Health Assessment Law at all
schools in SBC

Maintaining our Oral Health Advisory
Committee



THE LIFE CYCLE OF A TOOTH

Just like us, our teeth are constantly growing and changing. Keeping teeth healthy over a lifetime means that we're aware of the dental health needs and challenges that come with each phase of a tooth's life cycle.



INFANT TOOTH BABY TOOTH

This first tooth starts showing up when a child is around 6 months old. Gently cleaning a baby's teeth, gums and inner cheeks with a soft cloth after feedings does wonders to prevent pain and decay throughout childhood.



TODDLER BABY TOOTH

The "toddler" tooth is part of the full set of primary teeth that show up around a child's third year. This is a great time to start teaching kids good brushing habits. Teething toys help soothe little mouths as molars come in.



SCHOOL AGED PERMANENT TOOTH

The school-aged permanent tooth benefits from a strong home care routine and a healthy diet. Prepare kids with permanent teeth for a lifetime of good dental health by supervising their brushing and flossing routines morning and night.



MATURE PERMANENT TOOTH

The "mature" permanent tooth thrives with regular dental visits, thorough brushing and daily flossing, plus a diet rich in vegetables, fruit, fiber, lean protein and plenty of water. A healthy lifestyle and consistent checkups are the recipe for long term well-being.



SENIOR PERMANENT TOOTH

Even the "senior" permanent tooth can age gracefully when adults maintain regular dental care, which may involve more frequent visits, and an overall healthy lifestyle. Keeping damage and disease at bay as we age takes effort—but it's well worth it!

THANK YOU!

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