

Pediatric Outline

PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY OUTLINE

SECTION I: FACT SHEET

1. What causes decay?
2. Is decay a systemic disease?
3. Can we prevent decay naturally?

SECTION II: FAQs

1. Why is decay on the rise with children on low or no sugar diets and good nutrition?
2. I have been taking my child to a dentist for several years. Why does he/she suddenly have multiple cavities?
3. Can decay appear in specific patterns and does this provide us with diagnostic information?
4. Does breastfeeding improve my child's rate of decay and proper jaw development?
5. Why are the majority of children experiencing poor jaw development resulting in the need for orthodontic therapy?
6. How can I recognize the early signs of poor jaw development in my child?
7. Why are teens now being diagnosed with gingivitis and bone loss when previously these were not seen until one's 30's?
8. Why enroll my child in your pediatric wellness program rather than a traditional pediatric office?
9. When should I bring my child in for their first appointment?

SECTION III: PEDIATRIC WELLNESS PROGRAM

1. Comprehensive Pediatric Examination

- Tooth examination and diagnosis
- Jaw development exam and diagnosis
- Periodontal exam (for teen gingivitis) and diagnosis

2. Initial Treatment Plan

3. Dental Nutrition and Systemic Assessment

- Dietary analysis
- Nutritional status
- Immune system
- Hormone analysis (for endocrine-tooth axis)

SECTION IV: THE STAGES OF DENTAL DISEASE Stage 1: Underlying Causes Stage 2: Oral Susceptibility Stage 3: Dental Disease Stage 4: Oral-Systemic Metastasis Stage 5: Systemic Manifestations **SECTION V: DENTAL ERUPTION CHART**

1. Primary (Baby) Teeth

2. Secondary (Adult) Teeth