

Information About A Dental Home

What is a Dental Home?

It is the place where you take your child for regular visits to a dentist.



The Dental Home provides an “ongoing relationship between the dentist and patient, inclusive of all aspects of oral health delivered in a comprehensive, continuously accessible, coordinated and family centered way.”

When should you find a Dental Home for your child?

By the 1st birthday is best. It’s never too early or too late to find a dental home.

Why does your child need a Dental Home?

- To help build a lifetime of healthy dental habits.
- To have a place where the dental staff knows your child and has a record of his/her care.
- To receive sealants, fluoride, and advice to prevent tooth decay.
- To find dental problems early – before they hurt.
- To know where to call when there’s a dental emergency.



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