



Ensure Your Team is Prepared for Pediatric Dental Emergencies

Incorporating Oral Health Into Your Emergency Preparedness Measures

Primary health care providers should prioritize incorporating oral health considerations into their existing Emergency Preparedness measures.

There are several ways to achieve this for your clinic, including:

- ✔ Ensuring that staff have received training in oral health first-aid and know how to respond to oral injuries or dental emergencies.
 - ! This should include obtaining an accurate history describing the time and cause of oral injuries, especially when evaluating a dental fracture.
- ✔ Implementing a system for evaluating and managing dental fractures in collaboration with a dental professional, including the use of imaging.
- ✔ Training staff to recognize when to seek help if needed (e.g., if bleeding from an oral injury does not stop), and how to access an outside line during an emergency.
- ✔ Stocking your clinic with emergency supplies for oral and dental emergencies or have an oral first-aid kit.



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Resources

on Dental Emergency Preparedness

Explore these resources to better prepare for providing care should a child present with dental trauma to your primary care space.



Management of Dental Trauma in a Primary Care Setting (AAP, 2014)

Guidance for dental trauma prevention and dental trauma assessment (including questions to ask patients and caregivers, clinical examination of face, lips, and oral musculature soft tissue), as well as guidance for the administration of first aid.



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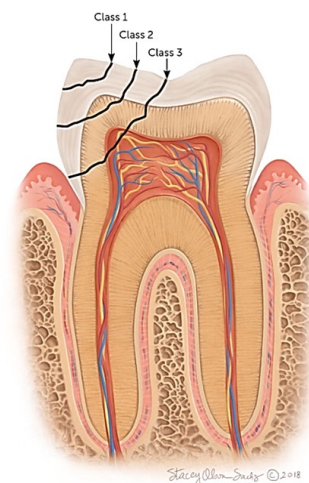
Dental Problems in Primary Care (AFP, 2018)

The Ellis classification system helps characterize dental fractures, which can include the crown and/or root of the tooth.

Class 1 injuries are limited to the enamel and do not require urgent evaluation.

Class 2 injuries extend to the dentin, have hot/cold sensitivity, and should be urgently assessed by a dental professional.

Class 3 injuries have exposed pulp and require an urgent root canal.



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International Association of Dental Traumatology Guidelines for the Management of Traumatic Dental Injuries



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