

Key Elements to Incorporate Oral Health in the Pediatric Electronic Health Record AAP Section on Oral Health

Refer or link to the AAP Oral Health Risk Assessment Tool to document risk factors, protective factors, and clinical findings <https://www.aap.org/en-us/about-the-aap/Committees-Councils-Sections/Oral-Health/Pages/Risk-Assessment-Tool.aspx> and then record the following in the Electronic Health Record for each child.

Required Elements:

Question	Yes or No	Insert additional information
Is the child at high risk for dental caries?		
Should the child be referred to a dentist at this visit?		Name of referral
Should the child receive fluoride varnish or a fluoride supplement prescription at this visit?		
Does the child have dental insurance?		Insurance type or indicate if Medicaid/CHIP patient

Additional Information:

Type of Information	Comment Field or Yes No
Environmental	
Is there fluoride in the local water supply?	
Are there dietary issues (i.e. bottle to bed, frequent snacking, high intake of sugary foods, under or over-weight, etc)?	
Biological	
Are there genetic/birth defects/physical predisposition (ie mother with caries, siblings with caries, special needs child)?	
Other health conditions (metabolic), diet, medications?	
Psychosocial	
Does family use only bottle or well water without fluoride supplementation?	
Are there other cultural/social/economic barriers to oral health?	
Pragmatic	
Describe physical findings from oral exam (ie healthy teeth, caries suspected, previous restorations, malocclusion, etc).	

End Actions:

Education	Insert additional information	Resources (Insert local resources as needed)
Standard oral health package		Low Literacy Self Management Goal Sheet - https://www.aap.org/en-us/about-the-aap/Committees-Councils-Sections/Oral-Health/Pages/Risk-Assessment-Tool.aspx

		<p>A Pediatric Guide to Children’s Oral Health Flip Chart and Reference Guide - https://shop.aap.org/a-pediatric-guide-to-childrens-oral-health-flip-chart-and-reference-guide/</p> <p>Oral Health Brochures for Consumers - https://www.mchoralhealth.org/materials/brochures-consumer.php</p>
Special oral health packages for different conditions and locales (ie areas without fluoride, fluoride varnish consent forms and instructions, etc)		<p>After Fluoride Varnish Instructions in a variety of languages - https://www.aap.org/en-us/advocacy-and-policy/aap-health-initiatives/Oral-Health/Documents/varnish-instructions-ALL.pdf</p> <p>Special Needs Oral Health Fact Sheets - https://dental.washington.edu/dept-oral-med/special-needs/patients-with-special-needs/</p>
Dental Resources		
Availability of dentists (Develop a list of dentists in the area and what ages/types of children they see.)		<p>Dental Referral Resource Template - http://www2.aap.org/oralhealth/docs/Dental-Referral-Resource-Template.doc</p> <p>Questions to ask Dental Offices - https://www.aap.org/en-us/advocacy-and-policy/aap-health-initiatives/Oral-Health/Documents/QuestionsforDentalHome.docx?Web=1</p>
Insurance coverage for these services and alternatives		http://insurekidsnow.gov/
Ease/difficulty of access for the family		Head Start Public health School-based programs
Treatment/Prescription		
Fluoride varnish treatment	Date applied and other info	Fluoride Varnish Manufacturers List - https://www.aap.org/en-us/advocacy-and-policy/aap-health-initiatives/Oral-Health/Documents/fluoride-varnish-manufacturers.pdf
Fluoride supplement prescription	Prescription info	Fluoride Supplement Decision Tool and Dosage Chart http://ebd.ada.org/~media/EBD/Files/ADA_Evidence-based_Topical_Fluoride_Chairside_Guide.pdf?la=en

For more information about oral health in the electronic health record or for examples of systems that include oral health, please email oralhealth@aap.org.