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Miles of Smiles provide dental services to eligible children in all grades. Services may include exam, cleaning, fluoride varnish, and sealants if needed. This also satisfies the dental requirement mandated by the State of Illinois for school children (Kindergarten, 2nd, and 6th).

There is **NO COST** to the family or school. After the services are performed, the following entities will be billed where applicable:

IL Medicaid program, public/private grants, or private dental insurance.

Miles of Smiles, Ltd. will accept any reimbursement as the final payment (even if the claim is denied).

The families and the schools are never billed for any co-payments, deductibles, or balances.

There is never any cost to the school or to the families.



We provide services to school children in ALL the counties in Illinois

Confidence starts with a...







CAVITY FREE AT THREE, AND BEYOND!

A DISCUSSION OF CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH **UNITY POINT SCHOOL, FEBRUARY 16, 2018** BY DR. JEFFREY JACOB, SHAWNEE HEALTH SERVICE

WHY ARE BABY TEETH SO IMPORTANT?

- TO HELP CHEW HEALTHY, CRUNCHY FOODS.
- TO HOLD SPACE IN THE MOUTH FOR PERMANENT TEETH THAT ARE GROWING UNDER THE
- WHEN A TOOTH IS LOST TOO EARLY, TEETH CAN DRIFT INTO THE SPACE AND MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR ADULT TEETH TO FIND ROOM. THIS CAN CAUSE CROOKED AND CROWDED TEETH.
- AND BECAUSE CAVITIES ARE PAINFUL!

THE MOST COMMON DISEASE AMONG CHILDREN IS DENTAL CARIES

HOW DO CAVITIES HAPPEN?

- TOOTH + SUGAR + BACTERIA
- THIS COMBINATION LEADS TO ACID
- AND IT'S THE FREQUENCY OF THIS ACID THAT KILLS TEETH
- IT GOES BACK TO A FEEDING PATTERN
- AND A SLEEPING PATTERN

ELIMINATING THE SUGARS AND THE BACTERIA MEANS NO CAVITIES!

ALSO

- DIET CONTROL... ESPECIALLY LIQUIDS
 - BUT ALSO STARCHY SNACKS
- NEVER LET A CHILD FALL ASLEEP WITH A BOTTLE
 - MILK AND JUICE AT MEAL TIME ONLY
- DRINK LOTS OF WATER...ESPECIALLY TAP WATER!
- •BRUSHING YOUR TEETH -- AT LEAST 2 TIMES A DAY!
 - REMOVING BACTERIA

A COAT OF ARMOR FOR TEETH... FLUORIDE VISIT THE DENTIST EARLY_FIRST VISIT AT 12 MONTHS

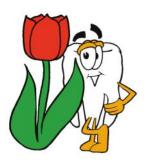
HELP YOU KEEP YOUR CHILD CAVITY FREE!



Miles of Smiles gives out more than 15,000 toothbrushes & toothpastes each year. Every child receives toothbrush, toothpaste & floss.

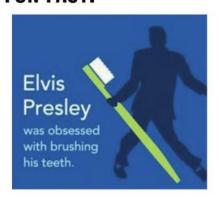
Miles of Smiles, Ltd., is a team of dental professionals delivering preventive and educational services to children in schools, Head Start programs and other community agencies. We are committed to treating each child with compassion and respect.

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As you spring ahead, think ahead. Schedule Miles Of Smiles to take care of all your dental needs!

FUN FACT:



SEAL THE DEAL.

Dental sealants can benefit cavity prone children or adults by preventing harmful' bacteria from contacting the tooth surface.

