

Yes, you can! Caring for individuals with disabilities in your office

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Resource List

Special Needs

American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry

This unique organization, comprised of both medical and dental professionals, seeks to improve delivery of health care for individuals with disabilities. Their website provides a wealth of information for health and oral care professionals via articles, videos, webinars, self-guided study, and email-based infoblats.

www.aadmd.org

Two webinars to note:

Virtual Grand Rounds: Considerations During Dental Treatment for Individuals with Disabilities

<https://youtu.be/4l2KxipFa4Y>

Virtual Grand Rounds: Orofacial Challenges for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities: A Multidisciplinary Approach <https://youtu.be/CQtv1HLf22w>

Special Care Dentistry Association

This organization is a resource for oral health care professionals who serve individuals with special needs by providing education, support and networking. Fellowship and diplomate status is available for credentialed individuals. The website hosts a publicly accessible member directory as a reference for families seeking a dentist for family members with special needs.

www.scaonline.org

Autism Treatment Network Toolkit for Dental Professionals

Created by the Autism Treatment Network, this resource guide for dental professionals provides a general background on Autism Spectrum Disorders as well as information on how to work with patients with autism in the dental setting for successful appointments.

<https://www.autismspeaks.org/science/resources-programs/autism-treatment-network/tools-you-can-use/dental>

Autism Speaks Dental Guide for Parents

This guide is geared towards parents and caregivers of individuals with autism and provides information for good oral health, starting with the foundation of good home care. Tips, social stories, and videos for successful dental visits are provided as well.

<https://www.autismspeaks.org/family-services/tool-kits/dental-tool-kit>

University of Wisconsin Fact Sheets for Parents and Health Care Professionals

This outstanding resource from the University of Wisconsin has fact sheets for dental professionals, and parents/caregivers regarding both adult and pediatric dental health for a variety of diagnoses such as Down Syndrome, Autism Spectrum Disorders, cerebral palsy, ADHD, and traumatic brain injury.

<https://dental.washington.edu/dept-oral-med/special-needs/patients-with-special-needs/>

My Healthy Smile App

Designed by Delta Dental of Wisconsin, this app for iPhones provides eleven audio and visual social stories for routine tasks at the dental office such as taking radiographs, having an exam, and getting teeth cleaned. This app is ideal for preparation before dental appointments.

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/my-healthy-smile/id392874005?mt=8#>

NIH NIDCR Publications

Publications geared towards both dental professionals and patient audiences on topic of oral cancer, developmental disabilities, diabetes, periodontal disease and other conditions are available free of charge from the National Institutes of Health/National Institute for Dental and Craniofacial Research in both Spanish and English. Of note, there is a wealth of publications regarding children's oral health care with posters, brochures and school curricula available; additionally, free continuing education credits are available for reviewing materials.

<https://catalog.nidcr.nih.gov/OrderPublications/default.aspx>

Special Olympics Genesee Region (Rochester, Finger Lakes)

<http://specialolympics-ny.org/genesee/>

Special Olympics Western Region (Buffalo)

<http://specialolympics-ny.org/western/>

Norwood KW, Slayton RL. Oral Health Care for Children with Developmental Disabilities. Council on Children with Disabilities, Section on Oral Health

Pediatrics Mar 2013, 131 (3) 614-619; DOI: 10.1542/peds.2012-3650

<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/131/3/614.full>

Guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, Reference Manual, Volume 38, No 6, 2016-17

Definition of Special Health Care Needs

http://www.aapd.org/media/Policies_Guidelines/D_SHCN1.pdf

Policy on Hospitalization and Operating Room Access for Oral Care for Infants, Children, Adolescents and Individuals with Special Health Care Needs

http://www.aapd.org/media/Policies_Guidelines/P_HospitalizationInfants1.pdf

Policy on Transitioning from a Pediatric-centered to an Adult-centered Dental Home for Individuals with Special Health Care Needs

http://www.aapd.org/media/Policies_Guidelines/P_Transitioning1.pdf

Policy on the Ethical Responsibilities in Oral Health Care Management of Infants, Children, Adolescents and Individuals with Special Health Care Needs

http://www.aapd.org/media/Policies_Guidelines/P_Ethic1.pdf

Guideline on Management of Dental Patients with Special Health Care Needs

http://www.aapd.org/media/Policies_Guidelines/G_SHCN1.pdf

Silver Diamine Fluoride

Horst JA, Ellenikiotis H, UCSF Silver Caries Arrest Committee, Milgrom PM. UCSF Protocol for Caries Arrest Using Silver Diamine Fluoride: Rationale, Indications, and Consent. *Journal of the California Dental Association*. 2016; 44(1):16-28. Accessed August 31, 2017.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4778976/>

This landmark publication contains background information, supporting data, clinical indications and consent form for use of silver diamine fluoride in arresting dental caries.

Horst JA, Ellenikiotis H. UCSF Silver Diamine Fluoride Guidelines [Video]

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zUAJkqcltco>. Published January 24, 2017. Accessed August 31, 2017.

Highly informative, this video reviews the above referenced publication and recent data.