# Diabetes and oral health

### Improve patient outcomes



### OHP dental benefits

All OHP members have a comprehensive dental benefit package which includes services such as:

- Exams, X-rays and cleanings
- Fluoride treatments
- Deep cleaning for gum disease
- ► Fillings
- Tooth removal
- Partial dentures
- Full dentures
- Crowns
- Root canals

Limitations may apply.

Thank you for helping patients with diabetes understand the link between physical health and oral health.

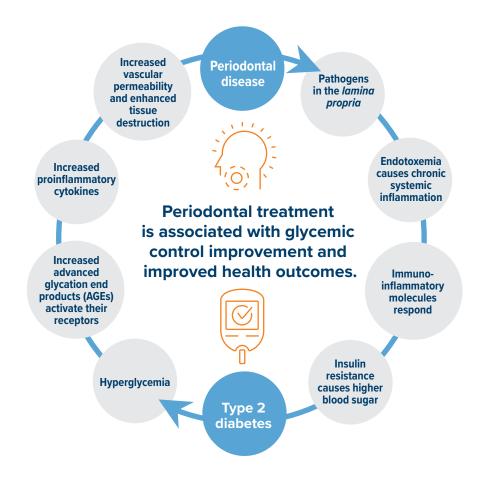
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## Add an oral health check-in to routine diabetes care

Help patients improve their diabetes management during routine care visits — take a moment to check in about their oral health. Oral health and diabetes have a bidirectional relationship: poorly managed diabetes can increase the prevalence and severity of periodontal disease, and oral health conditions can negatively impact HbA1c levels.



### Take two

#### Two minutes to improve patient outcomes

When you see patients with diabetes, ask:

Do you have any concerns about your oral health?



- When was your last visit to the dentist?
- Do you know that diabetes can affect your teeth and gums?
- Do you know why a healthy mouth is an important part of your diabetes management?
- Do you need help finding a dentist?

## CareOregon oral health resources and provider support

We offer resources to support oral health management and connect patients to dental care:

- Educational curricula and training for provider teams
- Data and dashboard tools
- Navigation to dental tools
- Technical assistance
- Support for workflow implementation and any questions

Contact oralhealth@careoregon.org for details.

