

12th World PEDIATRIC CONGRESS

December 13-15, 2018 Abu Dhabi, UAE

Role of pediatrician towards dental and oral health in children

Raghavendra Manjunath Shetty^{1,2}

¹Thumbay Hospital, UAE

²Gulf Medical University, UAE

Pediatricians examine infants several times during the first and second year of life. These visits are considered 'well-baby' or 'check-up' examinations to note the developmental progress of the baby, provide necessary immunizations, give the parents guidance concerning nutrition and discuss cognitive development. Thus, pediatricians are considered to be in a unique position to provide preventive oral information and to diagnose oral diseases in their patients early on, because of the early age at which children are brought to their offices. Parents usually seek pediatricians' guidance in securing their child's normal growth and development. If proper counsel regarding the child's development and eruption of teeth as well as guidance for prevention of various oral diseases is rendered at this age, better oral health can be attained for these children. In order to achieve this, pediatricians must have proper knowledge in addition to time and inclination to educate the parents. The study focuses on various scenarios where the pediatricians can play a crucial role in maintaining oral health of the child and preventing various diseases, as pediatricians are often the first health professionals whom children visit.

Biography

Raghavendra Manjunath Shetty is a competent Academician and Clinician, graduated from A.B. Shetty Dental College, Mangalore, India and did his Masters in Pediatric Dentistry from PMNM Dental College, Bagalkot, India. He was conferred with PhD by Nitte University. He was awarded a Gold Medal for his highest score in Masters in 2004 by Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences. He was also awarded with the 'Young Pedodontist Researcher' by the Indian Society of Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry (ISPPD) in 2010. He is presently working as a Faculty in Gulf Medical University, Ajman, UAE. He is also a member of Faculty of Dental Surgery (Glasgow). He has co-authored 5 text books and has around 45 national and international publications. He has about 14 years of teaching experience for both undergraduate and post graduate level, along with immense clinical experience. He has got three patent registered under his name. He is serving as a Reviewer and Editorial Board Member in many of the reputed national and international journals.

dr.raghavendra@gmu.ac.ae
drraghavendra77@gmail.com

Notes: