

## ORAL HEALTH CARE PREGNANCY

Practicing good oral hygiene will help keep you and your baby healthy during your pregnancy.

For more tips see the back of this card.



## ORAL HEALTH TIPS

Hormone changes during pregnancy may lead to the development of gingivitis. An early sign of gingivitis is red and swollen gums.

## THINGS TO CONSIDER

- Gum disease during pregnancy is linked to premature and low birth weight babies.
- Schedule at least one dental visit while you are pregnant.
- Use a soft bristled toothbrush.
- Eat fewer sugary snacks and drink fewer sugary drinks.
- Floss once a day before bed rinse every night with an alcohol-free mouthwash.

## **DENTAL CARE**

- Tell your dentist you are pregnant before your appointment.
- Tell your dentist about any medications or supplements you are taking.
- Don't skip any required dental treatments. Missing oral health care appointments can lead to other health problems for you and your baby.

Scan the code to help you find a dentist, low cost care, or insurance.



