

## Public Health Dental Clinics

Dental clinic staff provide preventive and treatment services at no charge to children **up to age 18**, who need dental treatment and have limited or no dental coverage. The dental team consists of a dental therapist, dental assistant, office administrative assistant, and dentist.

Services are provided to adults as required.

There are two Population and Public Health Dental Clinics in Saskatoon:



Dental therapist and dental assistant providing services at the clinic

***Oral health  
is important to your  
overall health.***



***Healthy teeth and gums  
help you to chew  
properly, speak clearly,  
and smile brightly.***

# Oral Health Program



## Public Health Dental Clinics are located at:

West Winds Primary Health Centre  
3311 Fairlight Drive  
SASKATOON SK S7M 3Y5  
Phone: 306-655-4261 or 306-655-4462

White Buffalo Youth Lodge  
602 20th Street West  
SASKATOON SK S7M 0X7  
Phone: 306-653-6283 or 306-655-4462

## For more information call:

Public Health - Oral Health Program  
101 — 310 Idylwyld Drive North  
Saskatoon, SK S7L 0Z2  
Phone: 306-655-4462

[https://www.saskatoonhealthregion.ca/locations\\_services/Services/Oral-Health](https://www.saskatoonhealthregion.ca/locations_services/Services/Oral-Health)

## Oral Health Program

Oral health is an important part of overall health. Oral disease is one of the most common chronic health problems in the world today. It affects all ages and groups. Oral disease is preventable! Early Childhood Tooth Decay is the number one chronic childhood disease.

The goal of the Oral Health Program is to promote good oral health for people of all ages within the community.



## Health Promotion, Education and Preventive Services

Oral health program staff determine the oral health needs of communities, provide health promotion and dental health education, and deliver preventive programs. The range of topics includes:

- dental products and procedures
- dental sealants
- diabetes and oral health
- fluoride
- infection prevention and control
- medications and oral health
- nutrition and oral health
- oral cancer, oral diseases, and overall health
- oral growth and development
- oral health status
- oral hygiene (infants, children, adults, people with special abilities)
- safety and injury prevention
- tobacco

## Fluoride Services

Fluoride prevents tooth decay in people of all ages. The following services are provided:

- Promotion of community water fluoridation
- School-based fluoride varnish programs in schools not meeting Canadian goals
- Fluoride varnish drop-in for urban infants and preschoolers at health centres. In rural areas, fluoride varnish is provided by Public Health Nurses
- Fluoride toothbrushing programs



## School Services

- Dental sealant program for Grade 1 and 2 in selected schools
- Dental screening of children in selected grades every 5 years
- Annual dental screenings of children at high risk for tooth decay in schools not meeting Canadian goals
- Referrals for dental treatment
- Fluoride toothbrushing programs
- Online oral health teaching resources for school staff:

[https://www.saskatoonhealthregion.ca/locations\\_services/Services/Oral-Health/Pages/Oral-Health-Resources-for-Preschools-and-Daycares.aspx](https://www.saskatoonhealthregion.ca/locations_services/Services/Oral-Health/Pages/Oral-Health-Resources-for-Preschools-and-Daycares.aspx)



## Older Adult & Special Needs Services

- *Better Oral Health in Long Term Care* program
- Presentations and displays for caregivers, older adults and people with special abilities



## Health Promotion Services

- Promotion of oral health through the use of media
- National Oral Health Month activities during April
- Supply resources on a variety of oral health topics/requests.

## Early Childhood and Family Services

- Oral health information packages for new parents, delivered by Public Health Nurses
- Education sessions at community agencies
- Online oral health teaching resources



We've moved our teaching resources online!

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(and search for *Oral Health Program*)