



Improving the Oral Health of Maine's Children

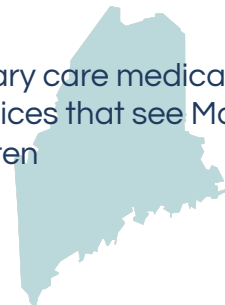


About Us

From the First Tooth (FTFT) is a statewide pediatric oral health initiative that aims to improve the oral health of Maine's children by increasing access to preventive dental services within their medical home. For the last 10 years, FTFT has worked to integrate oral health evaluations, fluoride varnish, parent / caregiver education, and referrals to a dentist into the well-child visit for children ages 6-months through 5-years.

Who We Work With

Primary care medical practices that see Maine children



Technical assistance provided by FTFT Program:

- ✓ Practice Readiness Documentation
- ✓ Process Mapping
- ✓ Staff Training Based on Smiles for Life Curriculum
- ✓ Educational Materials for Parents & Caregivers in Multiple Languages
- ✓ Assistance with Drafting Utilization Reports



From the First Tooth integrates 4 components into primary care:



- 1 Oral Evaluation
- 2 Fluoride Varnish Application
- 3 Health Education for Parents
- 4 Referral to a Dentist

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Did You Know?



The U.S. Preventive Task Force recommends that primary care clinicians apply fluoride varnish to the primary teeth of infants and children starting when the first tooth erupts. These recommendations are also supported by the AAP, AAPD and ADA.

Early Childhood caries (tooth decay) is the **most common** chronic childhood disease.



Dental caries are **5x** more common than asthma



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