

Oral Health **in Peel**

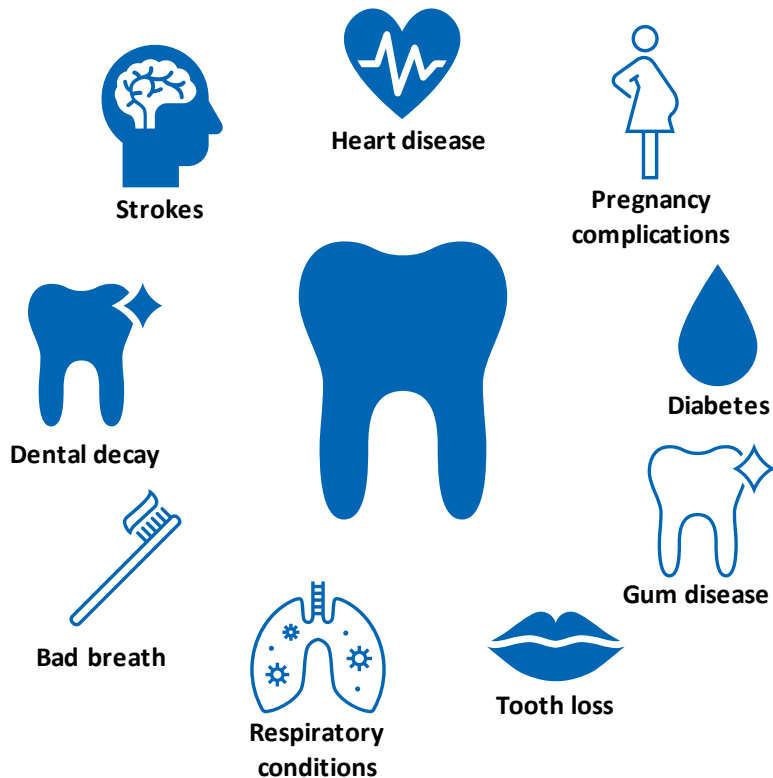


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Importance of Oral Health



- Oral health is an important component of overall health and quality of life
 - Dental diseases are largely preventable chronic diseases

Oral Health in Peel

- **15%** of residents rate their oral health as fair or poor
- **30%** of residents do not visit a dental provider annually
- **37%** of Kindergarten and Grade 2 students have experienced tooth decay



Limited Oral Health Care Access



- Residents without private insurance or an ability to pay are less likely to access dental care.
 - Seniors
 - People with low income
 - New immigrants

Public Health Prevention of Dental Disease

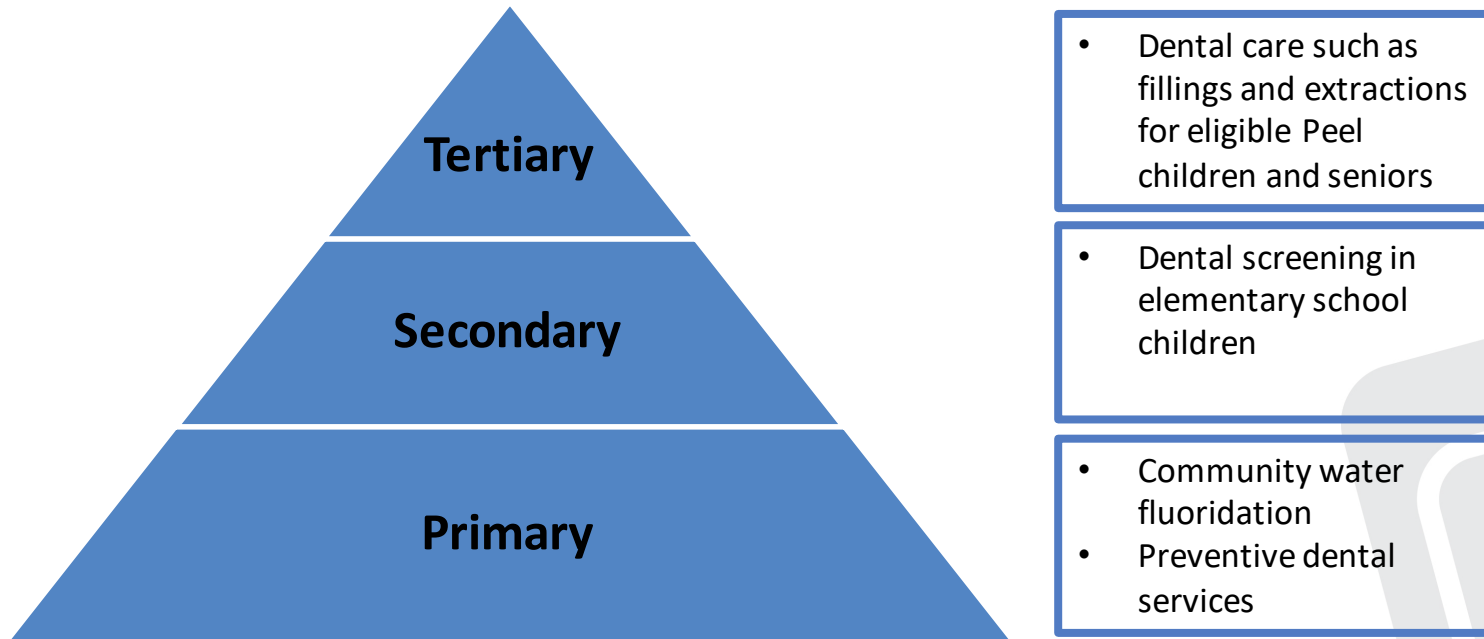


Figure 1 - Three types of public health prevention interventions

Children's Oral Health Program

- Free dental services for eligible children
 - Preventive dental services
 - Dental screening
 - Case management
- 101,000 children screened in 2019
 - 11% had an urgent need
 - 51% required teeth cleaning, sealants, and fluoride
- Gradual reopening as Public Health transitions out of the pandemic response



Seniors Oral Health Program



- Expansion of the Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program infrastructure in Peel:
 - Additional CHC operatories
 - Seniors Health and Wellness Village at Peel Manor
 - Three new dental clinics in Mississauga and Brampton
 - Mobile dental clinic

New Canadian Dental Care Plan

- Increasing equitable access to dental care
- Phase 1 – Canada Dental Benefit (December 2022)
 - Children <12 years old
- Phase 2 – Lower-income, uninsured individuals (end of 2023)
 - Children <18 years of age
 - Seniors 65+ years of age
 - Individuals with disabilities

Canada Dental Benefit

Smile!
It is here.

For kids **under 12 years old**

For families with an adjusted net income **under \$90,000 per year**

For those who **don't have access to private dental care insurance**

Find out more at Canada.ca/dental or 1-800-715-8836

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