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Special Oral Care Service



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To improve the oral health of children with intellectual disability, a Special Oral Care Service (SOCS) is set up by the Department of Health (DH) in collaboration with Hospital Authority at Hong Kong Children's Hospital for pre-school children of age under 6 with intellectual disability for early prevention and treatment of common oral diseases.

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Scope of Service



The paediatric dental team of DH will provide:

- 🦷 Oral examination
- 🦷 Oral health education to parents/caregivers to promote daily oral care and encourage good dental habits
- 🦷 Preventive treatments such as application of fluoride
- 🦷 Basic dental treatments such as fillings, extractions
- 🦷 Dental treatment under sedation or general anaesthesia

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Service Targets



Children under age 6 with intellectual disability who are receiving service at Special Child Care Centres under Social Welfare Department will be provided with **free on-site oral examination and oral health education.** If necessary, children can be referred to SOCS at Hong Kong Children's Hospital for follow up treatment.

Children under age 6 with intellectual disability can be referred to SOCS at Hong Kong Children's Hospital through the dental units of local public hospitals for timely dental treatment and oral health education.

In-patients of Hong Kong Children's Hospital who are participants of the School Dental Care Service of DH but unable to attend consultation at designated school dental clinics due to hospitalisation can receive dental service at the Hospital while hospitalised.



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