

# Dental Service

The primary objectives of the Dental Service are to raise the oral health awareness of the community, provide preventive and promotive oral healthcare services to the public, as well as provide dental services to civil servants and their dependants as part of Government's contractual obligation to its employees.

Preventive and promotive oral healthcare services to the public are rendered through the School Dental Care Service (SDCS) and the Oral Health Education Unit (OHEU). Dental Service also collaborates with Water Supplies Department in the regular monitoring of the level of fluoride in the water supply.

SDCS promotes oral hygiene and provides basic and preventive dental care to primary school children through eight School Dental Clinics (SDC) in the territory. It has a 24-hour interactive voice response system (2928 6132) and homepage ([www.schooldental.gov.hk](http://www.schooldental.gov.hk)) to provide information on SDCS and oral health for the general public. In 2008/09 school year, 346 672 primary school children from 657 schools participated in SDCS, accounting for 94.3% of the total primary school children population in Hong Kong. Of all school children who attended in 2008/09, 83.7% were rendered dentally fit by the end of 2009.

# 牙科服務

牙科服務的主要目標是提高社會對口腔健康的認識、為市民提供預防和促進口腔健康的醫療服務，以及履行政府在合約上訂明為公務員及其家屬提供牙科服務的責任。

為市民而設的預防和促進口腔健康的醫療服務，主要由學童牙科保健服務和口腔健康教育組負責提供。牙科服務又與水務署合作，定期監察食水的含氟量。

學童牙科保健服務，是透過其轄下的八間學童牙科診所，向小學生推廣口腔衛生和提供基本及預防牙患的護理服務。該服務亦設有24小時互動式話音回應服務系統(2928 6132)和網頁([www.schooldental.gov.hk](http://www.schooldental.gov.hk))，為公眾提供有關學童牙科保健服務和口腔健康護理的資訊。二零零八至零九學年，共有346 672名來自657間學校的小學生參加學童牙科保健服務，佔全港小學生總人數的94.3%。在該學年就診的學生當中，83.7%在二零零九年年底達到良好的牙齒健康狀況。



OHEU promotes oral health to all sectors of the community by producing oral health education materials and organising publicity campaigns, and engaging in collaborative projects with non-governmental organisations and professional bodies. In addition to supporting other health service units, OHEU continues the Oral Health Promotion Programmes for kindergarten children, primary students, secondary students and students with mild and moderate intellectual disability. OHEU continues to strengthen its efforts on oral health promotion in a primary care approach and delivers more outreaching oral health educational programmes to the primary school students through the 'Bright Smiles Mobile Classroom' throughout the territory. OHEU also provides a 24-hour oral health education hotline and an oral health education homepage ([www.toothclub.gov.hk](http://www.toothclub.gov.hk)) to facilitate accessibility to oral health information for the general public. OHEU produced about 100 new titles of oral health education materials in 2009. There were 128 000 attendances at its programmes and activities.

The Dental Service also fulfils Government's contractual obligation to its employees. Services to this target group are rendered through 35 Government Dental Clinics providing dental treatment to civil servants and their dependants. Eleven of these clinics also provide emergency dental services (for pain relief and extraction) to the general public as well. The Government dental service accommodated 601 981 visits by civil servants and dependants, and 95 956 visits by general public patients in 2009.

Curative dental services are provided to public hospital patients and prisoners/inmates of correctional institutions. Patients with special

口腔健康教育組透過製作口腔健康教育資料、舉辦宣傳活動，以及與非政府機構和專業團體合辦推廣計劃，來向市民推廣口腔健康。除支援其他健康服務單位外，該組還繼續推行以幼稚園兒童、小學生、中學生和輕、中度智障學童為對象的口腔健康促進活動。口腔健康教育組繼續以基層護理模式，加強促進口腔健康的工作，並透過「陽光笑容流動教室」，為小學生提供更廣泛的口腔健康教育外展活動。該組亦設有24小時口腔健康教育熱線和口腔健康教育網頁 ([www.toothclub.gov.hk](http://www.toothclub.gov.hk))，以方便公眾獲取口腔健康資訊。口腔健康教育組於二零零九年製作了約100項口腔健康教育的新教材。而各項計劃及活動的參與人次則錄得12.8萬。

牙科服務亦透過35間政府牙科診所，為公務員及其家屬提供牙科治療服務，以履行政府對僱員的合約責任，而其中11間診所亦為市民提供緊急牙科治療服務(處理痛症及脫牙)。在二零零九年，公務員及其家屬就診者有601 981人次，公眾人士就診者則有95 956人次。

此外，牙科服務還為公立醫院住院病人和懲教機構的犯人/被羈留者提供牙科診治服務。至於需要特殊口腔護理的病人，如弱智和弱能人

oral healthcare needs, such as the mentally and physically handicapped, receive dental care at seven oral maxillofacial surgery and dental units (OMS&DUs). In 2009, a total of 10 114 patients with special oral healthcare needs were treated at the OMS&DUs.

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