## **Think Teeth Every Step of The Way**



## Give your baby healthy teeth from the start. It's easy!

- Gently brush baby's teeth twice a day. Use a tiny amount of fluoride toothpaste.
- Take your baby to the dentist by her first birthday. Continue regular check-ups as recommended.
- Tooth decay is caused by bacteria. Your baby can "catch" the bacteria from you.
  - Keep your mouth healthy.
  - Don't share cups or spoons.
- Put only water, milk, or formula in bottles or sippy cups.
- Don't put your baby to bed with a bottle or sippy cup. •
- Limit sweet snacks and sugary drinks, including juice.

Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) cover children's dental services, such as teeth cleanings, check-ups, x-rays, fluoride, dental sealants, and fillings. Your child could be eligible!

To enroll your child, call 1-877-KIDS-NOW (543-7669) or visit **InsureKidsNow.gov**. Already covered? Use the Dentist Locator on InsureKidsNow.gov to find a dentist near you and call to schedule a dentist appointment today.





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