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Dear Parents and Carers,

NHS dental care is free for children up to the age of 18 years, or up to 19 years if they are in full time education. It's also free if you are pregnant or if you've had a baby within the 12 months before treatment starts.

Children should ideally be going to see the dentist from the moment their first teeth appear. But it's never too late to take your child to the dentist.

Article 24 (The right to good quality health care, clean water and good food)



Regular check-ups every six months, or as recommended by your dentist, will help your child avoid oral health problems such as tooth decay and gum disease.

How do I find an NHS dentist in my area?

Use the NHS website to [search for a dentist near you](#). The site also provides information on which dental practices currently accept new patients, whether they offer urgent appointments, and how others have rated the service.

You can also visit a dentist outside your local area, if it's more convenient.

If you require any further help or advice on oral health or finding a dentist, please speak to our **Startwell Provision Leads:**

Alicia and Liz - Sunshine Provision

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