

The University of Iowa Department of Pediatric Dentistry is inviting YOU and your future baby to participate in a research study. The purpose of the study is to prevent a serious dental disease called early childhood caries that can occur in very young children. The study will begin during your pregnancy and will follow your baby through age three.



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Encouraging
Healthy Smiles
for your
Future Baby
from the Start

Scan the QR code below by pointing your phone camera at the image if you are interested in hearing more about the study.







You are eligible if:

- You are 18 or older
- You are a pregnant WIC client between 12 and 36 weeks gestation
- You plan to live in lowa for the next four years
- You are able to speak, understand, and read English

Is compensation available?

YES, absolutely! We appreciate your participation. You will be paid for participating at each study visit. In addition, your future baby will receive free dental screenings at ages 1, 2 and 3 along with a small toy and toothbrush.

Will it cost me anything to participate?

NO. You will not have any direct financial costs for participating in this research study. Participation is strictly voluntary and you may withdraw at any time.

How long will the study last?

From the time you are pregnant until your future baby turns 3 years old. There will be 4 visits at your WIC clinic. Your involvement may be 10 minutes to one hour(+) depending on the study visit.

What will this study involve?

If you agree to take part in the study, you can expect to:

- Complete questionnaires and watch videos on oral health care for you and your child -- both in person and online
- Have your child receive FREE dental screenings at ages 1, 2 and 3 by a University of lowa dental provider.
- Have plaque collected at each of these screenings.

