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MODULE 15

Oral Health Across the Lifespan

Part 2: Oral Health For Pregnant
Women and Their Newborns

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Discussion Questions

What surprised you about this presentation?

What can you, as a health professional, do or have you done to promote positive oral- systemic health for pregnant women and their newborns?

Are there situations in which the oral care of newborns (swabbing the child's mouth with a wet cloth after eating) could be promoted? If so, how would you implement this intervention with the mom during the postpartum period?

What is it that prevents pregnant women from visiting (or providers from recommending) the dentist. What can we, as health professionals, do to change that health pattern?