Dear Mums and Dads, your little one’s dental needs are now easily taken care of right here at the National University Hospital (NUH).

The NUH paediatric dental team works with the neonatology unit and the women’s clinic to promote oral health among infants and toddlers. This effort led by Drs Sim Chien Joo and Tang Kok Siew will involve incorporating information about maternal and infant oral health.

**Management of Dental Trauma in Children and Adolescents**

At the NUH Dental Centre, all the paediatric dentists are well equipped to provide the immediate treatment of acute dental injuries. And as part of the protocol for dental trauma management, all patients are also put on a recall schedule to monitor for late effects of dental injuries.

**Developmental Disorders in Children**

The Centre also caters to children with developmental disorders, eg. Autism, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and Cerebral Palsy.

Members of the NUH paediatric dentistry team work closely with developmental paediatricians and parents to prepare these children for their first dental visit.

Various behavioural techniques are also utilised during these visits to minimise fear and acclimatise the child to the dental office.

**Dental Management of Medically Complex Children**

The NUH paediatric dentistry team also partners medical colleagues (eg. paediatric cardiology, hematology/oncology) as well as other dental specialists to manage and coordinate the oral care of our child and adolescent patients. An example is the robust working relationship with the paediatric hematology/oncology team; paediatric dentists thoroughly evaluate the dental health and if necessary, provide treatment for all children prior to hematopoietic stem cell transplantation, and assist the
primary medical team in the management of oral problems that arises during anti-neoplastic therapy.

Children's Dental Problems