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Dental Health Fair offers free screenings

February is Children's Dental Health Month, and Smile Humboldt and its partner organizations are inviting residents come to a free dental health fair Saturday, Feb. 22, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bayshore Mall. Stop by to learn about when children should have their first dental visit, meet a local dentist and receive a free dental screening.

There will be displays on how to avoid cavities and how to brush and floss at different ages. Information on healthy snacks and drinks and how tobacco and sugary drinks can hurt teeth will also be available.

"Children's teeth are meant to last a lifetime, and a healthy smile adds to how kids feel about themselves," said Laura McEwen, Oral Health Services Program Coordinator at the Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services. "With regular brushing and flossing, a good diet and regular dental visits, their teeth will be healthy and strong."

Look for signs in the Bayshore Mall about how to make dental care easier at home and dental tips in displays at Humboldt County's public libraries and Family Resource Centers.

The Bayshore Mall is located at 3300 Broadway in Eureka.

For more information on how to care for your teeth at any age, visit www.smilehumboldt.org.

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Representatives from the Dental Advisory Group accepted a proclamation from the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors recognizing February 2020 as National Children’s Dental Health Month.
Back row from left: Lorey Keele, Dr. Robert Berg, Kerry Venegas and Lara Weiss.
Middle row from left: Heidi Chappell, Cayla Moschetti, Catherine DeSantis and Lara Zintsmaster
Front row from left: Ana Guerrero-Gonzalez, Laura McEwen, Ciara Hunt and Gretchen Babakhani.