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FREE DENTAL CARE FOR CHILDREN

0-18th Birthday

AT BIRTH

Most children born in the Wellington region are registered with **Bee Healthy Regional Dental Service** for free dental care.

FROM AGE 2

Yearly dental checkup from 2 years old.

FROM AGE 5

Yearly dental checkups continue at school on mobile dental van, or at dental hubs, treatment at dental hubs.

BEE HEALTHY REGIONAL DENTAL SERVICE



TRANSFER

At the **end of Year 8**, **Bee Healthy will transfer child to a local dentist** that provides free dental care to teenagers.

FROM YEAR 9

Once enrolled with **local dentist**, free yearly checkups and treatment continues until 18th birthday.

DENTIST & HOSPITAL (with referral)

ACC & ORTHODONTIST (not free)

As required

18th BIRTHDAY

Free dental care **ends.** Make sure to book last checkup a few months before 18th birthday so any treatment can be completed.

FREE LOCAL DENTIST

Families new to the Greater Wellington Region need to enrol their children with Bee Healthy and their teens with a free dentist.

0800 TALK TEETH (0800 825 583)

For more info or to enrol, visit: www.healthnz.govt.nz/BeeHealthy