## Dental Care During Pregnancy is Safe and Important

A healthy mouth for mother, a healthy start for baby



Coach women during pregnancy about how the condition of their teeth and mouth can impact their children's risk for tooth decay



Untreated gum disease in pregnant women can harm their systemic health and may be linked to low birth weight/preterm births



Mothers can unintentionally pass cavity-causing bacteria to newborns, increasing children's risk for tooth decay



**3x as likely** to have tooth decay if their mothers have high levels of untreated tooth decay

## 4 Ways Pregnant Women Can Give Their Newborns a Healthy Start



For more information and resources,

visit www.endcavities.org/during-pregnancy and www.aap.org





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