Dental Care Policy

The Peter Toms Early Learning Centre will actively seek to establish good dental health practices at the Centre, and educate and encourage children and their families to implement good dental health practices at all times.

- Educators form positive relationships with family members and children to discuss and encourage good dental health practices and ensure the continuity of care of each child. Information should be made available to family members and staff in their home language.

- The Peter Toms Early Learning Centre integrates educative information and guidelines on good dental health practices into the daily routine. This should include information on tooth brushing, tooth friendly snacks and drinks and going to the dentist and/or dental health professionals.

- The Peter Toms Early Learning Centre will actively encourage good dental health practices including eating and drinking habits, and going to the dentist and/or dental health professionals through programs.

- Children are encouraged to drink water at the end of a meal to wash away any food from their teeth and gums.

- Children will be encouraged to drink water to quench their thirst and remain hydrated.

- Family members should be informed without undue delay any incident or suspected injury or issue with their child’s dental health which may include teeth and gums, gum swelling, infection in the mouth, or problems, pain or discomfort the child has with chewing, eating or swallowing food or drink.

Legislative Requirements
National Childcare Accreditation Council.

Source

Review
The review will be conducted by:
- The Peter Toms Early Learning Centre staff
- Families

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