**Milestones for mini mouths**

**NEWBORN**

BACTERIA FROM YOUR MOUTH CAN PASS TO YOUR BABY’S MOUTH SO PART OF TAKING CARE OF YOUR NEWBORN’S MOUTH IS CARING FOR YOUR OWN ORAL HEALTH

**0 TO 5 MONTHS OLD**

YOU’RE BEGINNING TO SEE THAT ADORABLE SMILE

START PROTECTING IT BY WIPING HIS GUMS WITH A SOFT, CLEAN CLOTH AFTER EACH FEEDING

**6 TO 12 MONTHS OLD**

BABY IS CUTTING HIS FIRST TOOTH START BRUSHING THAT TOOTH TWICE A DAY USING A SMEAR OF TOOTHPASTE

WHEN BABY IS READY FOR SOLID FOOD CHOOSE THINGS WITH NO ADDED SUGAR

**1 YEAR OLD**

MAKE SURE YOUR BABY HAS A DENTAL CHECK-UP BY HIS FIRST BIRTHDAY

If you don’t have anywhere to take your baby, ask your pediatrician to check his teeth and for a dental referral.

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