



Having the confidence to smile, eat and enjoy life is a fundamental right for every European citizen. This can only be achieved by

Health Matters?

ensuring effective consideration of oral health in all policies.



confidence to eat, taste, smile, socialise and express emotions. Untreated dental cavities (caries) are the most prevalent non-communicable

€57 billion a year.

infection, and loss of productivity. The total cost for treating oral health related diseases in the EU is an estimated €100 billion per year.

Productivity losses due to dental diseases are estimated to reach some

disease both worldwide and in Europe. They can result in pain, tooth loss,

preventable with the right policies €100 BILLION and incentives. Investing in good oral health brings value to both EU



Oral diseases are almost entirely

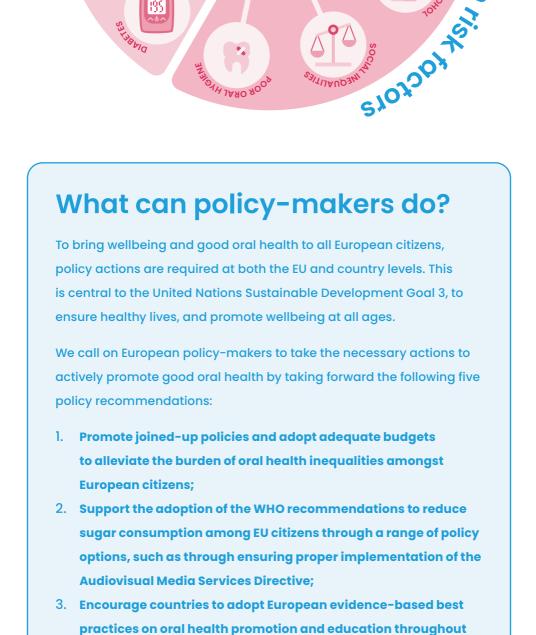
citizens and health systems.

and general health. Oral diseases share common risk factors with other non-

Did you know?

There are strong links between oral health

Oral disections with other diseases.



Universal Health Coverage and SDG Goal 3, including ensuring access for all EU citizens to affordable quality oral health care; 5. Ensure systematic collection of relevant oral health data to allow for better data-driven policy-making to reduce health inequalities and promote better health.

toothpaste in schools and care homes;

the life-course, such as through tooth brushing with fluoride

4. Adopt policy recommendations to support the achievement of

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representative of leading oral health organisations, our shared goal is to create a

common European approach towards improved oral health outcomes through research,

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