Can Vitamin B6 Prevent Cavities in the Unborn?

A review of studies by the Cochrane Collaboration seems to suggest that vitamin B6 might do more for the fetus besides aid in the development of the brain, central nervous system, and cognitive function. Scientists postulate that it might even prevent dental caries as well as protect the vascular bed of the placenta.

Although there is not yet enough research to support this claim, the benefits for pregnant women were undeniable. The 371 women in one study who took vitamin B6 (also called pyridoxine) supplements in oral capsule or lozenge form had a lower incidence of dental decay.

‘Spicy’ Cures for Cancer

As the seventh most common form of cancer in Taiwan, there are approximately 2,000 cases of oral cancer reported every year. Not surprisingly, 80% of those who die from oral cancer were betel nut users.

Researchers at National Taiwan University’s Department of Internal Medicine are among those seeking ways to fight cancer. In one study, led by Dr. Ann-Lii Cheng, seven patients with precursors to oral cancer were given large doses of turmeric and the benefits in the article by Klaus-Dieter Thill.

A report released in September 2003 by the AIHW’s Dental Statistics and Research Unit at the University of Adelaide examined the contrast to 31.4 for those in the Australian Capital Territory.

The study involved 140 pupils from 14 schools, training centres or agencies. Although kids were aware of what good oral health required (teeth brushing, etc.), they failed to make use of the free care.

Teeth brushing, drilling, cleaning and image building are just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to a well designed and informative brochure. Learn all about a brochure’s benefits in the article by Klaus-Dieter Thill.

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Orthodontics for patients with periodontal disease. Usually, there is great skepticism about whether such therapy would be successful and patients are often left to their fate. However, if the requirements, conditions and indications are followed, the prospects for success are good.

Dental Treatment Uncool?

The future of clinical dentistry lies in fewer procedures of higher quality, together with prevention. The role of dentists will be advising patients about risks to dental health, investigating and controlling the risks, influencing the behaviour of patients, diagnosing oral and dental diseases, providing high quality dental care, administration of a dental team of auxiliaries.

A public health approach should include three main elements. A common risk factor approach to prevention, a population rather than a high-risk preventive strategy and an intersectoral health promotion multi-level strategy. In addition, an evidence-based approach should be mandatory.

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Teenagers are reluctant to go to the dentist even if these visits are free because dental care is viewed as uncool, recent research from the University of Otago, New Zealand, has found. The study involved 140 pupils from 14 schools, training centres or agencies. Although kids were aware of what good oral health required (teeth brushing, etc.), they failed to make use of the free care.