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# SHOOL DENTAL & ORAL HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM



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# Our Why?

## Our Vision

- Our aim at Teeth on Wheels is to change the experience of visiting the dentist – we want to reduce fear and anxiety, minimise pain and encourage life-long oral health care for all of our patients.

## Our commitment

- To provide a positive dental experience for every patient
- To work with each school or childcare facility to provide a convenient and easy service
- To provide access for quality dentistry for all students in Australia



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# What makes Teeth on Wheels so Unique?

We are the **ONLY** Mobile Dentist in Australia that are **accredited** and a member of the **Australian Dental Association (ADA)**.

We provide **in-class** room activities for **teachers** to utilise for each class which is inline with the health units of the **Victorian Curriculum**.



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## Our Partnerships

We have been partnering with Schools and Childcares since 2015.

We now partner with over 400 Schools and Child Care services across various demographics to provide free educational programs to ensure children have a safe, memorable and positive dental experience to promote and encourage ongoing and effective oral hygiene. Importantly, it's a **Free Service** for Schools!



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# Free Dental or \$99

## 1. Medicare (CDBS):

- Provides access to basic dental services for children for **FREE**
- Benefit entitlement is capped at \$1,092 per child every two calendar years.
- Many families may be eligible, making dental work completely free of charge for them.

## 2. Private Health Insurance (PHI):

- Families may be able to claim their visit through their PHI if they have dental extras coverage.
- Eligibility depends on the specific coverage within the family's insurance plan.

## 3. \$99 Deal:

- Provides a Full Check-Up and Clean for \$99.
- X-rays or Fluoride treatment, if required, are covered under the deal.
- Treatment prices for any further issues (e.g., Decay) are approximately 30% less than the average private dentist.



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# What Parents Can Expect



<https://youtu.be/7lapTrP1oUw?si=09IBWUScYpN7eTYF>



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# Dynamic Parking - Mobile Dental Clinics





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# 3D View Inside A TOW Dental Clinic



[https://my.matterport.com/show/  
?m=wU1hJFFmvCc](https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=wU1hJFFmvCc)





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# A Day At School



<https://youtu.be/ux4vIr0AZh8>



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# School Portal - Credentials

<https://teethonwheels.com.au/login/>



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# Our Dental Services Include

- ✓ **Check-ups**
- ✓ **Scale, Clean and Fluoride Treatments**
- ✓ **Fissure Sealants**
- ✓ **X-rays**
- ✓ **Fillings**
- ✓ **Extractions**





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# Research and Development

- In 2021, we partnered with Deakin University to complete a 4 year cost analysis study on 414 children
- *Conclusions: This outreach program, which is focused on prevention and minimally invasive dentistry, can be a promising alternative model of delivery for dental services in young children.*



**children**

Article  
**A Cost Analysis of an Outreach School-Based Dental Program: Teeth on Wheels**

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**Abstract:** Background: This study evaluated an outreach mobile dental service called Teeth on Wheels (TOW). The dental program targeted Australian children from low household income, who are eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Scheme (CDBS) in Victoria, Australia. The program is complemented with a school-based oral health promotion element. Methods: A retrospective cohort study was performed with a convenience sample. Children must have had at least three dental examinations during the 2016–2019 calendar years to be included in the study. Comparisons were made between the 2016–17 and 2018–19 calendar years. It was hypothesised that the program would result in reduced costs and the number of restorations and extractions in the latter period. Results: A total of 414 children were included in the analysis. The total mean costs of the program per child reduced from AU\$605.3 in 2016–17 to AU\$531.1 in 2018–19. The results showed an overall mean reduction in all restorations and extractions performed, but only statistical significance was noted for reductions of restored deciduous teeth. Conclusions: This outreach program, which is focused on prevention and minimally invasive dentistry, can be a promising alternative model of delivery for dental services in young children.

**Keywords:** health promotion; dental care for children; school health services; oral health; costs and cost analysis

**1. Introduction**  
 School-based dental services (SDS), delivered via mobile dental vans or fixed dental clinics near schools, have traditionally been the model of delivery of public dental care for children in Australia. However, community needs, expectations, and government policy directives have changed over time and have led to a different model of dental service delivery for children, and they vary between Australian state and territory jurisdictions. SDS have been the cornerstone of many government-funded dental programs internationally, targeting unmet oral health needs among children, and its workforce has primarily consisted of dental therapists [1,2].

Some Australian states like Victoria and New South Wales have ceased SDS and integrated child and adult dental services within centralised community health services [3]. Although many countries have limited dental therapists to practice only in government-funded dental programs [1,2], recent regulatory changes to their scope of practice standard have enabled independent practice in Australia [4], and they are permitted to work in both the public and private sectors. In recent times, there has been a renewed emphasis on giving user choice through consumer-directed care for publicly funded dental services [5], i.e., users of Australian public dental care should be given more flexibility in seeking and receiving services from a dental provider of their choice.

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# Parent's Feedback and Reviews




 **Mel Cook** recommends Teeth On Wheels Australia.  
5 May at 12:24 · 🌐

The team from Teeth on Wheels were efficient, professional, thorough and I particularly appreciated my daughter's detailed dental report concerning the state of her teeth, entire mouth and ongoing care. she always puts her hand up in class to go first to their amazing clinic on wheels. Thanks TOW 😊



 **Tommy Danskin** recommends Teeth On Wheels Australia.  
30 March · 🌐

Great service and my 7 year old felt really comfortable with them and Couldn't wait to tell me all about it when I picked him up. The staff called me to advise he needed a filling and asked my permission before doing anything. Explained the process of what is required. Staff were very professional and brilliant to work with! 10/10

 **Jardine**  
1 review

★★★★★ 2 months ago

Daniel and Georgia we're both so kind and patient with my son at the teeth on wheels bus last week at his school. He has special needs and sensory issues and they both took the time to explain what they would be doing and to encourage him to get through the whole process as easily as possible. They were also very understanding when he needed me to stay with him for the appointment. Thank you so much for helping my son have such a great dentist experience!