

Upper East Side Pediatric Dentist, Dr. Barry Jacobson Says That Tooth Decay in Children Has Reached Epidemic Proportions

Dr. Barry Jacobson, says that kids, who are frequently exposed to sugary liquids over a long period of time, are at risk of early tooth decay.

NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, March 12, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- According to Dr. Barry Jacobson, DMD, FAAPD, (

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leading New York pediatric dentistry expert, tooth decay in children is largely preventable, but it still remains one of the most common childhood diseases in the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), tooth decay in children is five times more common than asthma and seven times more common than hay fever.



Baby Bottle Tooth Decay Before & After

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“42 percent of kids have had cavities in baby teeth,” Dr. Barry Jacobson says. “We are reaching epidemic proportions of rapid forms of tooth decay in younger children.”

According to Dr. Barry Jacobson, pediatric dentists are also seeing an increase in early childhood caries (ECC), more commonly known as [baby bottle tooth decay](#).

For nearly two decades, Dr. Barry Jacobson has been at the forefront of pediatric dentistry, leading in the implementation of new and better ways to provide dental care to kids in and around Manhattan. In addition to being the first pediatric dentist to standardized laser dentistry for children, Dr. Barry Jacobson is respected worldwide as an expert in the treatment of ECC.

“ECC most commonly affects infants and toddlers who sleep with a bottle in their mouth or walk around with a sippy cup,” he explains. “Combined with a lack of proper cleaning and oral care, the risk of [baby bottle rot](#) certainly increases.”

Dr. Barry Jacobson says that dental caries are caused by bacteria in the child’s mouth and, in extreme cases, can become septic.

“Bacteria can spread from the tooth into the nerve where the tooth becomes abscessed and it can further spread into the bloodstream,” Dr. Barry Jacobson says. “Although rare, there have been cases where young children have become septic after bacteria from an abscessed tooth spread to the

brain.”

According to Dr. Barry Jacobson, it is important that children get an early start at good oral care. “By starting at twelve months and regularly visiting the dentist every six months, we can effectively reduce the chance of disease, serious oral health complications, and the cost of baby [bottle tooth decay treatment](#),” he concludes.

For 17 years, Dr. Barry Jacobson DMD, FAAPD, has been a leader in pediatric dental care. His practice, located at 949 Park Avenue, New York, NY, offers laser dentistry for children, cosmetic dentistry for children, preoperative dental care for children, soft tissue procedures, 3D CAD-CAM crown fabrication, porcelain fillings, and treatment of fearful children, with behavior management experts on hand. Call 212-997-6453 (212-99-SMILE) for more information or visit Dr. Barry Jacobson’s website at www.949pediatricdentistry.com).

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