

Oral health assessment tool

Resident:

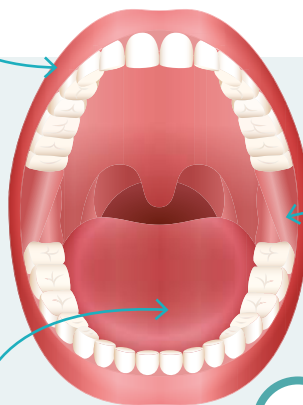
Completed by:

Date:

Scores – You can circle individual words as well as giving a score in each category
 (* if 1 or 2 scored for any category please organise for a dentist to examine the resident)

0 = healthy 1 = changes* 2 = unhealthy*

Lips:	Dental pain:	Natural teeth Yes/No:
Smooth, pink, moist 0	No behavioural, verbal, or physical signs of dental pain 0	No decayed or broken teeth or roots 0
Dry, chapped, or red at corners 1	There are verbal and/or behavioural signs of pain such as pulling at face, chewing lips, not eating, aggression 1	1–3 decayed or broken teeth or roots or very worn down teeth 1
Swelling or lump, white, red or ulcerated patch; bleeding or ulcerated at corners 2	There are physical pain signs (swelling of cheek or gum, broken teeth, ulcers), as well as verbal and/or behavioural signs (pulling at face, not eating, aggression) 2	4+ decayed or broken teeth or roots, or very worn down teeth, or less than 4 teeth 2
Oral cleanliness:		Dentures Yes/No:
Clean and no food particles or tartar in mouth or dentures 0		No broken areas or teeth, dentures regularly worn, and named 0
Food particles, tartar or plaque in 1–2 areas of the mouth or on small area of dentures or halitosis (bad breath) 1		1 broken area or tooth or dentures only worn for 1–2 hours daily, or dentures not named, or loose 1
Food particles, tartar or plaque in most areas of the mouth or on most of dentures or severe halitosis (bad breath) 2		More than 1 broken area or tooth, denture missing or not worn, loose and needs denture adhesive, or not named 2
	Tongue:	Gums and tissues:
	Normal, moist roughness, pink 0	Pink, moist, smooth, no bleeding 0
	Patchy, fissured, red, coated 1	Dry, shiny, rough, red, swollen, 1 ulcer or sore spot under dentures 1
	Patch that is red and/or white, ulcerated, swollen 2	Swollen, bleeding, ulcers, white/red patches, generalised redness under dentures 2



- Organise for resident to have a dental examination by a dentist
- Resident and/or family or guardian refuses dental treatment
- Complete oral hygiene care plan and start oral hygiene care interventions for resident
- Review this resident's oral health again on date:

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TOTAL:

SCORE: 16