

# Women's oral health

## Did you know?



Women have higher rates of decayed, filled or missing teeth



Over a third of women report avoiding or delaying dental care due to cost



Hormonal changes over women's lifespan can lead to increased risk for various types of gum disease and tooth decay

Injuries from intimate partner violence impact women's oral health



Women with eating disorders may experience tooth erosion, tooth decay and gum disease

10% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women have diabetes, doubling their urgent dental treatment needs



## Women's oral health could be improved by...



Training to help dentists identify and refer patients affected by family violence & eating disorders



More research on the impact of gender on oral health



Dental care subsidised through Medicare to improve affordability & access

Check out our issues paper: **Women and oral health** for more info

<http://whv.org.au/publications-resources/publications-resources-by-topic/post/women-and-oral-health-issues-paper/>