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| **Dental**It needs to beacknowledged that thereare current difficultiesin accessing a NHSdentist; complicationsof addressing oral healthneeds in relation tospecial educationalneeds (self-restrictivediets and oral aversion);children who haveadditional vulnerabilitiessuch as children in care;and developmentaldefects of teeth and/ororal healthChild(ren) have goodoral health. Child(ren) isregistered with a dentistand/or have access todental treatment whenthey need it. They havefrequent dental checkups.Parents are aware ofthe impact of high sugarfood and drink, andmove away from the useof bottles to free flowcups at the appropriateage. | Oral health routinesinconsistent e.g.frequency of toothbrushing twice dailyis not routinelyfollowed; parents useinappropriate bottleswith teats.Diet mainly consistingof processed food/ highsugar content.Registered with a dentistand/or taken only whentreatment is needed. | Parent/carer doesnot meet the oralhealth/dental needsof child(ren) despitesupport from early helpsupport services.Delay in addressing oralhealth needs impactingchild’s health andwellbeing e.g. pain,infection, impact oneating, sleeping andplay/education.Child(ren) have poororal health and are notregistered or takento the dentist whenrequired e.g. dentaltreatment is delayed ifneeded.Child(ren) referred tospecial care dentalservice and parent/carers refuse orpersistently cancel /do not take child(ren)to appointments/followplan or advice. | Parent/carer persistentlyunable to meetchild(ren)’s oral health/dental needs, whichhas serious impairmenton the child’s health,wellbeing, developmentand activities ofdaily living e.g. pain,infection, impact oneating, sleeping andplay/education.Child(ren)’s teeth aredecayed, they have orare at risk of infectiondue to parental refusalor non-engagement tosupport good oral health.Child(ren) requiremultiple teeth extracteddue to persistentdental decay due toparental refusal or nonengagementto supportgood oral health.Wilful delay in accessingcare for dental trauma(no attempt made toaccess dental care fordental injuries) andinconsistency in historyand pattern of injury.No medical/dentalcare is sought by theparents/caregiver wherethere is oral healthissues, to include dentaltrauma and repeatedoccurrences of pain/infection.No change to poororal health despiteprofessional support andinterventions. |