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Editorial

This is a word document summary of scripts from his video presentation:

“Educating Children in Oral Disease Prevention with eBooks and Videos”

Educating children in oral disease prevention with e-books and videos.

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“Defining the Future Vision of Dental and Oral Health Care”

Please Consider My vision and advice to eradicate oral diseases in children.

Firstly, let's summarize the past visions of dental and oral health care:

“Brush Your Teeth” with a Chew stick, was advised by a Babylonian in 1400 B.C.

“Brush Your Teeth” with a Tooth Brush, was advised by a Chinese Emperor in 1498 A.D.

“Brush Your Teeth” with a tooth brush, has been advised by dentists since 1498 A.D.

“Paint Your Mouth” with a mouth brush

was advised by Dr Garth Pettit, a dentist, in 1999 A.D.

“Teaching oral disease prevention is now, after 21 years, in my bones”.

I sincerely pray that my endless enthusiasm will be absorbed by everyone who watches this video so that we together, can change oral health for the better.

A little about myself. My name is Dr. Garth Pettit.

First, I thank the Congress organisers for the invitation to speak today. I very much enjoyed your previous Congress in Brisbane.

Secondly I ask forgiveness for not speaking. Why? Because I'm old, Sometimes I stutter or forget when to stop! So instead, please enjoy my background song which are My lyrics and my melody!

My 1996 mission “prevent oral diseases in children”.

I retired from general dental practice in 1991 soon after my 60th birthday.

In July 2006 my 3 years old grand daughter was diagnosed with mild tooth decay.

Horrified and angry with myself, I decided to return to dental practice with this mission:

“Prevent Oral Diseases in Children”.

A Recent Award: Professional of the year 2015-2016: Dr. Garth Pettit, 4 Your Smile 2 Shine Pty. Ltd. Who's Who Professional of the Year 2015-2016

Another Recent Award: Dr. Garth Pettit, Featured Global Expert of the year Dentistry Australia 2016. Who's Who Registry of Executives and Professionals.

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Why educate children in oral disease prevention? Here's some good reasons

“Down in the mouth: Doncaster's child tooth decay problem revealed.

07:40 Tuesday 05 April 2016, Doncaster

More than 800 Doncaster children with rotting teeth needed last-ditch hospital treatment to have their decaying gnashers removed inside a year."

"Children 25% more likely to get tooth decay.

In Wales,

"Problems resulting from tooth decay are the number one reason children are admitted to hospital."

By John Gibson, CBC News Posted: Apr 08, 2016 2:31 PM MT
CBC.ca

"Tooth decay disease most common reason for day surgery on children, Calgary study finds

Rotting teeth is a public health issue affecting an increasing number of Canadian children,

according to a University of Calgary research paper."

"Sheffield Children Have the Worst Dental Health in the Country,

Figures Confirm Statistics from the NHS Health and Social Care Information Centre showed that 1,140 children aged between 0 and 10 years old had decayed teeth removed in hospital in 2014/2015.

The worrying thing is that dental decay is a preventable."

"One in three Somerset 12-year-olds has tooth decay-initiative to improve county's oral health'

YOUNG children in Somerset can get help with looking after their teeth as figures show one in four five-year-olds and more than a third of 12-year-olds have dental decay."

MIRROR 0:16, 15 APR 2016 BY ANDREW GREGORY News UK
News NHS

"Children's rotting teeth a 'crisis' as the NHS performs more than 100 removals every day

The cost of extractions has soared 61% since 2010/11 as experts blame excessive consumption of fizzy drinks and food high in added sugar".