



## **When does my teen transition from a pediatric dentist to a general dentist?**

You might start to question if your older child still needs to visit the pediatric dentist as they get older.

Making the transition from a pediatric dentist to a family dentist at the right time for your child's dental health is crucial.

A thorough guide is available just for you from the Saraswati Dental College- Pediatric Dentist Team! This is all the information you require regarding your child's switch from a pediatric dentist to a family dentist.

### *What age to stop seeing a pediatric dentist?*

**Pediatric dentists** focus on providing comprehensive dental care for children from birth to adolescence. Your child's pediatric dentist is their first dental home and helps build the foundation for a lifelong healthy smile!



## *What are some signs my child is ready to transition?*

**All of their permanent teeth are present.** Most children ages 12 to 14 have all of their permanent teeth. Since this is typically the age at which their wisdom teeth start to emerge, switching to a general dentist at this age is ideal.

**They are becoming more self-reliant.** Your adolescent is fairly comfortable sharing their wants and concerns at this age. They might even claim that they're "too old" to visit a pediatric dentist!



## *Tips for making this transition smooth and simple!*

**Consult us for recommendations on general dentists.** Our department's Residents can provide you with a list

of recommended dentists in the college as well as in the area because we maintain good relationships with many of them.

**Take your adolescent along when you look for a new dentist.** We recommend giving your teen more control over their dental care since they are making this move to express their want!

**Request that we send your teen's dental records to their new general dentist.** A thorough review of your child's dental health history guarantees that their dentist is aware of their particular needs and offers what the medical community likes to refer to as "**continuity of care.**"

**Take your teen to their new dentist!** Even though your teen feels like they're grown up, they still require your support, especially until they turn eighteen.

## **Your Saraswati Dental College team is here to help!**

We are proud to be well-known pediatric dental experts in **Saraswati Dental College and Hospital**. We are here to help you and your child adjust to their new world of dentist visits in any way that we can. If you think it would be helpful to introduce your child to our team before their appointment, please let us know and we are happy to make that happen. You and your child are in great hands with our trusted team. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us with any questions. We like to help people for the betterment of your future.