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Question 1: What approaches, activities or interventions are effective in promoting oral health, preventing dental problems and ensuring access to dental care (including regular check-ups) for adults in care homes?

Scottish Government sponsored oral health care education programme for care/ nursing homes.
Evaluation led by Petrina Sweeney, University of Glasgow
<http://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/education-and-training/by-discipline/dentistry/areas-of-education/oral-health-improvement-caring-for-smiles.aspx>

Question 2: What methods and sources of information will help care home managers and their staff identify and meet the range of oral health needs and problems experienced by people living in care homes?

British Society for Disability and Oral Health, 2000. Guidance for oral health care of Long stay patients and residents
<http://www.bsdh.org.uk/userfiles/file/guidelines/longstay.pdf>

BSDH, 2000. Guidelines for the development of local standards of oral health care for dependent, dysphagic, critically and terminally ill patients
<http://www.bsdh.org.uk/userfiles/file/guidelines/depend.pdf>
<http://www.bsdh.org.uk/userfiles/file/guidelines/longstay.pdf>

Caring for Smiles - oral health care education programme for nursing/ care home staff
<http://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/education-and-training/by-discipline/dentistry/areas-of-education/oral-health-improvement-caring-for-smiles.aspx>

Guidelines for oral health care for people with a physical disability
<http://www.bsdh.org.uk/userfiles/file/guidelines/physical.pdf>

British Society of Gerodontology, 2010. Guidelines for the oral healthcare of stroke survivors
http://www.gerodontology.com/forms/stroke_guidelines.pdf

Department of Health/ British Society of Gerodontology, 2006. Gerodontology 23
<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1741-2358.2006.00140.x/pdf>

Question 3: What helps and hinders oral health promotion, prevents dental problems and ensures access to dental check-ups and treatment in care homes?

NHS Scotland Scottish Dental Needs Assessment Programme. Domiciliary Dental Care Needs Assessment Report, 2010.

Issues with compliance -
<http://www.bsdh.org.uk/userfiles/file/guidelines/PIDocument.pdf>

Legislation
Adults with Incapacity Act (Scotland), 2000
Mental Capacity Act

Sweeney, M.P., *et al.* Oral health care and status of elderly care home residents in Glasgow. *Community Dental Health*, 24, 2007: pp. 37-42

Lewis, D., *et al.* Access to Special care Dentistry, part 7. Special care dentistry services: seamless care for people in their middle years- Part 1. *British Dental Journal*, 205(6), 2008: pp. 305-317.

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