

# Protect your mouth while you're on the go

**FACT:** Chewing sugar-free gum is proven to benefit dental health as it helps neutralize plaque acids.



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## What you can do

It is important to brush your teeth twice a day with fluoride toothpaste. But your teeth come under attack from bacteria and plaque more than twice a day. Help protect your mouth while you're on the go and after meals and snacks by doing the following:

Rinse with a fluoride mouthwash

A fluoride mouthwash not only freshens breath, it can help prevent tooth decay (dental caries).

#### Use floss or interdental brushes

Regular cleaning helps to dislodge food and may reduce gum disease and bad breath by removing plaque that forms along the gum line.

#### Chew sugar-free gum

Chewing sugar-free gum increases the amount of saliva you produce, which helps wash away food particles before they become trapped on, around or in between your teeth.

### Good oral health can help you live a longer, healthier life

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