Oral Health Care Needed for Oregon Adults With Disabilities

Fewer than 6 in 10 Oregon adults with disabilities visited a dentist in the last year





People of different races and ethnicities were equally likely not to have visited the dentist, including adults with disabilities who self-identify as American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black, Hispanic or Latino, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, or White

61% 55%





Women were more likely than men to have visited the dentist in the last year



People of different sexual orientations were equally likely not to have visited the dentist, including adults with disabilities who self-identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, straight, or something else

Accessible oral health care is lacking for Oregon adults with disabilities, across all races, ethnicities, and sexual orientations

Suggestions to improve access to oral health care for Oregon adults with disabilities:

- Oral healthcare professionals can learn about providing accessible care by taking the OODH <u>Responsive Practice</u> training.
- People with disabilities can explore the <u>Taking Charge of My Health Care Toolkit</u>
 Topic 11 about Oral Health.
- Oregon adults with disabilities may be able to get connected to dental care through the Oregon Office on Disability and Health <u>Linkage Project</u>.





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(Data Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2022)