



## Perceptions in Women's Oral Health

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Oral health comprises the teeth, periodontium, soft tissues of the mouth and oral pharynx, bones around the mouth, temporomandibular joints and muscles of mastication. The mouth is a gateway to the body and it is a reservoir of many pathogens, which will reflect many systemic health problems. Women have unique concepts associated with oral health. Changes in hormone levels during the menstrual cycle, pregnancy and menopause can increase the risk of problems with the mouth, teeth or gums.

This Special Issue of the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health (IJERPH) focuses on women's oral health at all reproductive and non-reproductive stages of life, from menarche to menopause. Special attention will be given to works on oral maternal health that refer to the health of women during pregnancy, childbirth and the postpartum period. Thus, new research papers, reviews, case reports and review articles are welcome for this Special Issue. Manuscripts from different approaches will also be accepted, including epidemiology, clinical and intervention studies, risk assessment and health impact.





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