# BI PROUD MOUTH PROJECT



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## INTRODUCTION

- According to WHO Global Oral health status report(2022),3.5 billion of people worldwide are affected by oral diseases.
- Despite being preventable, over 2 billion of adult people and 514 million of children are suffering from dental caries.
- Due to lack of oral health awareness, as well as the reduced number of dental health professionals, the prevalence of oral diseases is high in Burundi.



#### AIM OF THE PROJECT

- My project consists of prevention of dental caries and periodontal diseases by providing education on primary school children about the proper oral hygiene and diet counselling for oral health promotion.
- · Tooth brush and paste shall be given.
- After the outreach, an educational comic book, containing comprehensible images and simple words shall be provided, so that the children of the first primary school continue to acquire the right knowledge on oral health.



## **OBJECTIVES**

- To encourage good oral hygiene practices in primary school children from an early age.
- To educate children and teachers about the correct perspective towards oral healthstatus.
- To create an educational comic book talking about oral hygiene practices and diet counselling to be used by primary school children.
- To overall increase the knowledge about the proper oral health.



#### METHODOLOGY

- Through primary school community outreach.
- Primary school children as well as teachers will be educated on proper oral hygiene and on diet.
- First, it will be carried out in primary schools located in rural area.



#### **OUTCOMES**

- Early exposure on good oral hygiene practices.
- Increased knowledge on a proper oral health.
- Increased knowledge on a healthy nutrition
- Reduced prevalence of dental and periodontal diseases.



# CONCLUSION

- It requires time and efforts to instill good habits in our lives ,
- Therefore , there is importance of primary school outreach to educate children on the importance of good oral health at their early age
- In a country where there is less awareness on how to carry a proper oral health, as well as where there is reduced number of oral health professionals, this project is beneficial as it will help more in prevention, and always "prevention is better than cure"

#### References



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