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## **Dental Checklist 1/2**

Are you brushing your teeth every day? No toothache or any oral/dental problems but experiencing some of the following?

Grinding and clinching of teeth (during sleeping or while awake)
Inability to open your mouth wide or limited mouth opening
Tension or tenderness in your cheek muscles (especially first thing in the morning)
Bleeding of gums during or after brushing your teeth
Painful gums
Loose or shifting teeth
Persistent bad breath even after brushing
Bad taste in the mouth
Red, swollen or tender gums
Dry mouth
Burning sensation in the mouth
Dry nasal passage
Problems with swallowing
Persistent sore throat
Clicking/crocking sound or propping sensation when you open your mouth to yawn or laugh
White, gray, brown, or black spots on the teeth
Moderate to severe sensitivity in a tooth when you take in hot or cold foods or beverages
Pain or irritation from a tooth coming in at an awkward angle and rubbing against your cheek, tongue, or top or bottom of the mouth
Spacing of teeth due to movement

If you are experiencing two or more of the above signs and symptoms, you need to visit a distinguished dentist to prevent major oral/dental problems.



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## **Dental Checklist 2/2**

If you think you don't have any oral/dental problems but try to check if you are practicing/experiencing any of the following?

Sleeping less than eight hours a day
Frequent eating of dark colored cakes, chocolates or other dark colored foods
Frequent drinking of coke, tea, cola and other dark colored beverages
Smoking of any cigarettes/cigars/pipes
Frequent drinking of alcoholic beverages
Stressful daily activities
Frequent eating of foods containing onions, garlic and other spices
Bad taste in the mouth
Brushing teeth only once a day
Brushing your teeth for less than two (2) minutes at a time
Dependent on the use of mouthwash/mouth rinses daily to freshen breath
Using of a non-recommended toothbrush from your dentist
No knowledge in proper brushing of teeth
Habitual thumb sucking, biting of nails or some other items
Frequent use of toothpicks
Frequent eating of chicharon and some other hard foods.
Difficulty in eating hard foods

If you are practicing/experiencing two (2) or more life style activities above, you need to visit a dentist to correct bad oral habits and prevent dental problems that could result to future health problems.