

What to do in case of a Dental Emergency

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The most common questions your dentist may ask:

- How long has it hurt?
- Is the pain sharp or dull?
- What is the trigger for the pain – hot, cold or pressure?
- Have you been taking anything for the pain?

Toothache:

- Clean the area around the sore tooth thoroughly with warm salt water.
- Floss to remove any food that might be trapped between the teeth.
- See your dentist as soon as possible.

Knocked Out Permanent Tooth:

- Find the tooth.
- Do not scrub the tooth or remove any attached tissue.
- Rinse it carefully under running water.
- Gently insert and hold the tooth in its socket. If this isn't possible, place the tooth in a cup of milk. If milk is not available, use cool water.
- See your dentist immediately. Time is a critical factor for saving the tooth.

Loose Tooth:

- If the tooth is pushed out of place (inward or outward), it should be repositioned to its original alignment with very light finger pressure.

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