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## Patient Information/**Pregnancy**

- Patients with periodontal disease who are pregnant have been shown to have increased rates of pre-term delivery, low birth rates and preeclampsia.
- Oral bacteria can be found in amniotic fluid and placenta.
- Patients with periodontal disease who are pregnant may be at higher risk of gestational diabetes.
- Mothers' oral health is important to the long-term oral health of the baby as caregivers pass on their oral bacterial to the baby.
- Dental treatment is safe and appropriate during pregnancy.