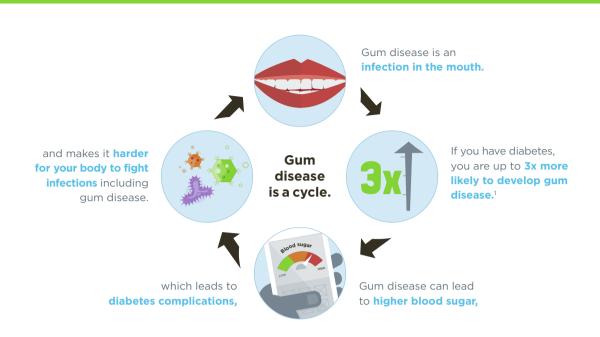
## Managing Diabetes? Help is under your nose.

Living with diabetes can be complicated. Good oral health is an easy way to help manage your diabetes.



Gum disease can be prevented. Learn how to break the cycle.



**Clean Between Teeth Daily** to remove hidden disease-causing germs.



**Close to half of the population has gum disease** which is linked to heart disease and stroke.<sup>2</sup>



**Brush 2X Daily** with fluoride toothpaste, to reduce germs.



**1 out of 5 cases** of total tooth loss is related to diabetes.<sup>3</sup>



Drink & Snack Smart Drink fluoridated water and eat healthy foods.



Sweet and sticky foods are **more likely to cause cavities.** 



## Get Regular Checkups

to help your healthcare team spot early signs of gum disease.



Warning signs include bleeding/receding gums, bad breath and mouth sores.



Good oral health is especially important for older adults because Medicare doesn't cover dental. By maintaining good oral health and treating gum disease, you can reduce your risk of costly hospitalization by 39%.<sup>4</sup>



Taking care of your mouth is easy and will help you live well longer. Find out more — ask your healthcare team about how to prevent gum disease and visit **TheMightyMouth.org** 

<sup>1</sup>Diabetologia http://bit.ly/2aNCO3j

<sup>2</sup>Journal of Dental Resea http://bit.ly/2bkafuq <sup>3</sup>Journal of the American Dental Association http://bit.ly/2aMS5Ty

<sup>4</sup>American Journal of Preventive Medicine http://bit.ly/2aXEImA