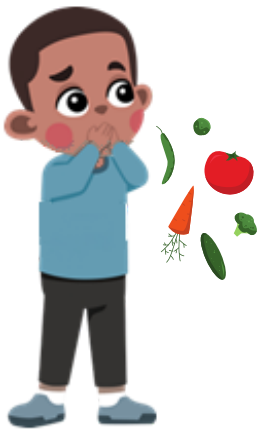


BEHAVIOR SPEAKS: IS IT A TOOTHACHE?

Helping caregivers identify early dental health warning signs in individuals with disabilities



Change in Eating or Oral Habits

- Refusing to eat, chew, or brush
- Prefers soft foods
- Chews only on one side
- Drools, grinds teeth, spits



Change in Behavior

- Increased irritability
- Aggression or self-injury
- Become quiet



Visible or Physical Signs

- Swollen or bleeding gums
- Loose or discolored teeth
- Mouth sores or persistent bad breath
- Touches face or points to mouth
- Crying, say "OUCH" while brushing



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