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## What Are the Different Types of Dentists?

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Going to the dentist is important for keeping your teeth healthy. This is especially true for kids. But did you know there are dentists who specialize in different areas of dental care?

The American Dental Association (ADA) recognizes 12 different dental specialties. The type of dentist you should see depends on what kind of dental needs you have.

[Read this article](#) to learn more about:



The right type of dentist for you or your child. View descriptions of each type of dentist and what they do.



How to figure out what kind of dentist to see.



Helpful dental tips and definitions. For example, is mouthwash a good idea? What's a root canal?