

Release notice

The *Rourke Baby Record 2020 Edition* and the Canadian Caries Risk Assessment Tool for Pre-Schoolers

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Newly released!

The Canadian Caries Risk Assessment Tool (CCRAT) is now included in the 2020 edition of the *Rourke Baby Record*, a pediatric record widely used by family physicians and pediatricians in Canada. The CCRAT is intended for non-dental primary health care providers and oral health care providers in non-traditional clinical settings to assess the risk of and act on tooth decay in children under six years of age. It is endorsed by the Canadian Paediatric Society, the Canadian Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and the Canadian Association of Public Health Dentistry.

The CCRAT is linked within the *Rourke Baby Record 2020 Edition*.

Background

- Commissioned by the Office of the Chief Dental Officer of Canada (OCDOD) in 2017, a team at the University of Manitoba, led by Dr. Robert Schroth, conducted a comprehensive analysis of the global body of evidence on caries risk assessment in pre-schoolers.
- Interprofessional review participants convened by OCDOD included scientific representatives of the Canadian Paediatric Society, the Canadian Academy of Paediatric Dentistry and the Canadian Association of Public Health Dentistry.
- Observers of the process included scientific representatives from the Canadian Dental Association, Canadian Dental Hygienists Association, Canadian Dental Assistants Association, Canadian Dental Therapists Association, College of Family Physicians of Canada, Canadian Dental Regulatory Authorities Federation and the Association of Canadian Faculties of Dentistry.
- Further validation research on the Tool funded by the Network for Canadian Oral Health Research and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research is currently being conducted and the results are expected to be published by the fall of 2021.