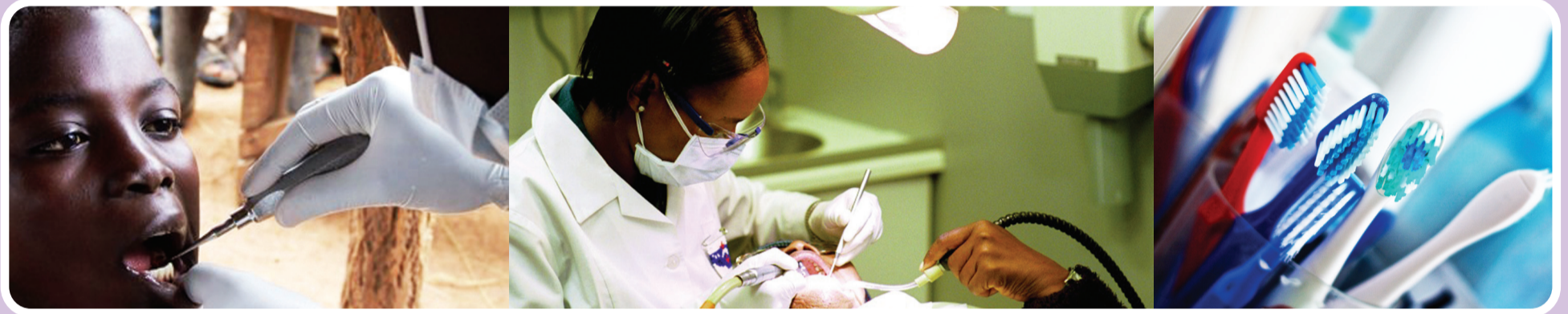


Dental amalgam Impact on the environment

Actions for Dental Associations



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Dental caries is a serious public health problem around the world
Support universal Primary Oral Health Care

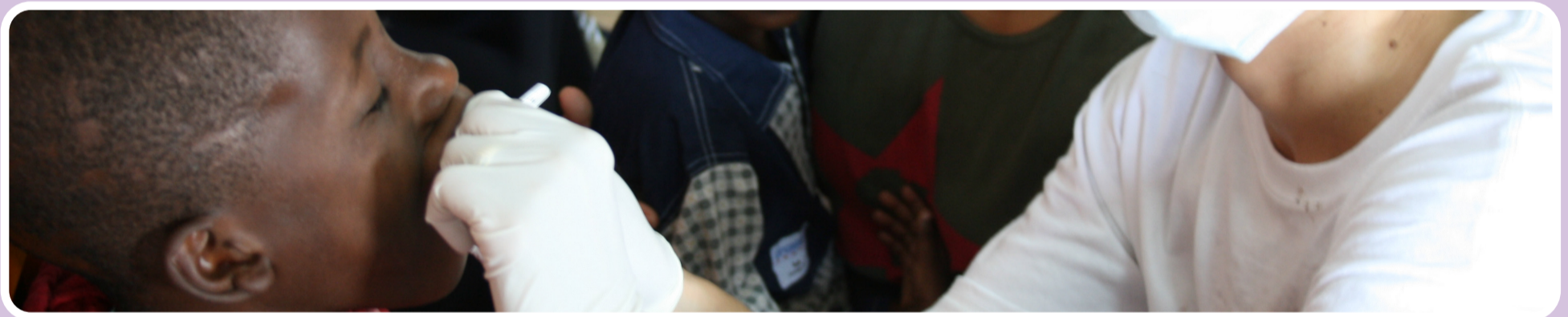


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Repair of decayed teeth is costly to people and society
Prevention of tooth decay is better and cheaper



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Discarded dental amalgam waste pollutes the environment
Encourage Best Management Practices (BMP) for dental amalgam to prevent mercury emissions and releases

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