# **MOUTH BODY** CONNECTION

#### **GUM DISEASE**

### Over 4 in 10 people ages 30 and older have gum disease.

- 63.5% of Hispanic-Americans
- 59.1% of Non-Hispanic Asian Americans

#### **BREATHING PROBLEMS**

Germs from gum disease can travel to your lungs and make it difficult to breathe.

It's worse for people with asthma or other breathing issues.

#### **DIABETES + KIDNEYS**

People with diabetes and gum disease are up to 3 times more likely to have certain types of kidney disease.

#### STROKE AND HEART DISEASE

Germs can get into your blood through your gums. If you have gum disease, your chances of having a heart attack, stroke, or other serious heart problems are 2 to 3 times higher.

#### PREGNANCY

A woman who has gum disease may be 7 times more likely to give birth too early or have a baby with low birth weight.

## Your overall health starts with your oral health.





Sign-up for a free workshop to help manage or prevent diabetes or heart disease. Visit MyHealthyVT.org, or scan the QR code.

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