DENTAL INJURY MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES:

If a permanent tooth is knocked out, it can sometimes be put back. If a baby tooth is knocked out, it should not be put back. It is difficult to distinguish between a baby and permanent tooth. Therefore, to make it simple and easy to remember, deal with dental injuries in the following ways and let a dentist treat them. In case of a dental injury you should:

1. Keep calm and handle the injury carefully.
2. If there is bleeding, bite on a cotton roll or gauze to stop it.
3. Follow the situations below.
4. Contact a dentist immediately.

**Knocked out Tooth:**
- Look for the tooth and hold the crown only; do not touch the root.
- Rinse the permanent tooth in tap water for 10 seconds and put it back in the socket.
- If the child won’t allow you to put it back in the socket, put the tooth in a cup with saliva or cold milk.
- NEVER PUT THE TOOTH IN WATER
- Go to the dentist immediately. The prognosis for the tooth depends on how quickly you see a dentist.

**Fractured Tooth:**
- Look for the fractured piece. Hold the crown, do not touch the root.
- Place the piece in a cup with the patient’s saliva or cold milk.
- NEVER PUT THE TOOTH IN WATER
- Take the piece and see a dentist immediately.

**Mobile/Displaced Tooth:**
- Ask the patient to close their mouth and bring their teeth together slowly and carefully.
- If the displacement is minor, the tooth will go back to the normal position.
- If the patient cannot bite down or the tooth does not return to the normal position, stop trying – see a dentist immediately.