

# TOTAL TOOTH LOSS AND CHRONIC DISEASES

**Edentulism (having no teeth) was 2x higher in people with:**

Emphysema

Fair or poor general health

Heart disease

Stroke history

**Tooth loss is preventable.** Primary care providers can educate their patients with chronic diseases about their increased risk for tooth loss, and screen and refer them for dental care.



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