Shared Germs = Shared Dental Decay

Caregiver → Healthy Baby Teeth → Cavities / Decay
If you have had a cavity, you carry the bacteria that causes dental decay and can pass it on.
Children can get the bacteria as soon as they are born.
Bacteria can be transferred from a caregiver or older sibling.
Bacteria can be passed by sharing saliva.
Avoid Sharing:
  - Toothbrushes
  - Utensils (forks, spoons)
  - Cups
  - Straws
Avoid pre-testing baby’s food.
Clean pacifiers with water, not saliva.
Parents – have current dental decay treated.
Share love, not saliva and germs.