**MEET YOUR DENTISTS**

**Tansy Schoonmaker, DDS**

After earning two undergraduate bachelor’s degrees and her dental degree with honors from the University of Buffalo, Dr. Tansy completed a general practice dental residency at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. While there, she discovered a love of working with children. She went on to earn her certificate in Pediatric Dentistry from Pittsburgh Children’s Hospital, one of the top programs in the country, and has been working in Syracuse ever since. She is a Board Eligible member of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. She and her husband, Nick, live in Liverpool with their two daughters.

**Cosmina Nolan, DDS**

Dr. Cosmina has relished working with kids for as long as she can remember. She graduated with honors from Binghamton University. After receiving her dental degree with honors from The University of Buffalo, she completed her two-year pediatric dentistry residency at the prestigious St. Joseph’s Hospital/Lutheran Medical Center program in Providence, Rhode Island. She has since been working as a pediatric dentist in the Syracuse area. She is proud to be a Board Certified member of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. She and her husband, Aaron, live in Manlius with their two daughters.

**Caring dentistry, by moms ... for kids.**

**DENTISTRY FOR INFANTS, CHILDREN, AND ADOLESCENTS**

- **Monday**: 8:00 am — 5:00 pm
- **Tuesday**: 8:00 am — 5:00 pm
- **Wednesday**: 8:00 am — 5:00 pm
- **Thursday**: 8:00 am — 5:00 pm
- **Friday**: 8:00 am — 5:00 pm

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Right off of I-481 Exit 3
WHO WE ARE

We are moms. We are pediatric dentists. We are members of your community. We strive daily to bring the very best in dental care to the children of Central New York. We work hard to build lasting relationships with our patients and their parents. We emphasize preventative care first. Nothing makes us happier than transforming a nervous child into a child who loves going to the dentist. We are here to help establish a dental home where your child will learn healthy habits and behaviors that will last throughout their lives. This is our passion.

SERVICES

- Professional cleanings and fluoride treatments
- Composite “tooth colored” fillings
- Sealants
- Nerve Therapy to treat teeth with deep cavities
- Nitrous Oxide (Laughing Gas)
- Oral Conscious Sedation
- Treatment under general anesthesia in the hospital
- Extractions
- Space Maintainers
- Frenectomies: Removing “tongue-tie” to improve nursing or speech difficulties
- Tooth Whitening
- Sports guards
- Complimentary initial oral examination for 1 year old children

THE FIRST VISIT

We follow the American Association of Pediatric Dentistry guidelines that children should see a dentist within six months of the eruption of their first tooth or by the end of their first year.

It is critical to make sure your child has a positive and relaxed experience during their initial dental checkups. We want you and your child to enjoy your experience and feel comfortable at our office. It is our experience that children respond best when treated with patience, kindness, humor and respect.

At Little Jaws Big Smiles, your child will find a fun and safe environment that will put them at ease. They will learn about proper oral health techniques that will last them a lifetime. We endeavor to be your child’s “dental home,” a place where they receive dental care including preventive, maintenance or, when necessary, urgent treatment. It is always best to have a dental home selected as soon as possible so that, when problems or emergencies arise, your child is already established with a dentist with whom they feel comfortable.

PREVENTATIVE VISITS

After your child’s first visit and initial exam, we may recommend one or more follow-up visits to complete any necessary dental treatment. After that, we recommend regular six-month recare appointments to continue your child’s preventative oral care. In most cases during these regular check-ups your child will receive a professional dental cleaning. Then, Dr. Tansy or Dr. Cosmina will usually assess your child’s dental development, check for any dental decay or problems of the tissues and gums. These visits will also help us build a strong relationship with your child.

SCHEDULING & CANCELLATIONS

To schedule an appointment for your child, please call during office hours, or leave a message on our website. Younger children tolerate treatment much better in the earlier parts of the day.

We will confirm your child’s appointment with us the day before. If you need to cancel an appointment, we kindly request at least 24 hours notice.

In an effort to keep other scheduled patients from having to wait, we hope that all our patient families make every effort to be on time for appointments. Arriving too late can cause a disruption in the schedule and may require us to delay or reschedule your child’s appointment.

Thank you for selecting Little Jaws Big Smiles Pediatric Dentistry to treat your family’s dental needs. Our practice is dedicated to providing the absolute best dental care, while making sure our patients feel comfortable in a safe and relaxed environment. Please contact us to schedule an appointment.

PAYMENTS & INSURANCE

Our policy is to kindly request payment for office visits and treatment at the time service is rendered. For your convenience, we accept most major credit cards in addition to cash and check. We are happy to help you file insurance claims.

Thanks, and welcome to our office!