

Headache Because of Problems with Teeth, Mouth, Jaws or Dentures

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It is estimated that more than 95% of orofacial pain cases have an odontogenic origin. In some cases, pain from tooth damage can cause a more severe type of migraine. The most common cause of non-odontogenic orofacial pain is temporomandibular joint dysfunction (TMD). Parafunctions such as bruxism or clenching may aggravate TMD. Pain classification in the temporomandibular joint (TMJ) region as primary or secondary headache is challenging. Therefore, theoretically, and often in practice, a secondary headache may have the characteristics of a primary headache, but a disorder is diagnosed as the cause. In general, a disorder or factors that cause orofacial pain can be considered as a trigger for primary headache. On the contrary, a primary headache can cause pain in the orofacial area. Of course, distinguishing these types of pain and dividing them may not be easy and make diagnosis and treatment difficult.

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