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Building on the success of the first four volumes of the MCH Program Interchange Focus on Oral Health, the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center has produced the fifth volume in the series. Each successive volume is intended to supplement rather than replace the previous volumes. This volume contains a current listing of materials developed by programs working in states and communities to promote the oral health of children, adolescents, and families nationwide. We hope that the Interchange will continue to serve as a forum for the cooperative exchange of information on program ideas, activities, and materials among individuals in the maternal and child health community.

The Interchange is just one resource developed by the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center in its efforts to assist health professionals, administrators, policymakers, researchers, and others. In autumn 2000, the resource center published two new fact sheets, Inequalities in Access: Oral Health Services for Children and Adolescents with Special Health Care Needs, which presents conditions and disabilities affecting the oral health of these children and adolescents, and Preventing Tooth Decay and Saving Teeth with Dental Sealants, which highlights the benefits of using dental sealants as a preventive oral health measure. The resource center also published the New England Regional Oral Health Access Conference Proceedings. The proceedings summarize the conference participants’ deliberations in developing strategies to improve children’s access to oral health services in their respective states. The conference was held September 9–10, 1999, in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and brought together leaders from a variety of backgrounds. Currently, the resource center is updating its fact sheet on trends in oral health and is adding a variety of electronically formatted publications to its Web site.

Other conference proceedings from states across the country are also included in this Interchange. Many of these proceedings reflect follow-up to the national conference, Building Partnerships to Improve Children’s Access to Medicaid Oral Health Services, held June 1998 in Lake Tahoe, Nevada. Also worth highlighting is Oral Health in America: A Report of the Surgeon General, which calls for a national effort to improve oral health among all Americans and was released in June 2000.

The Maternal and Child Health Bureau and the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center are committed to providing ongoing mechanisms for sharing materials and information about programs that enhance oral health services. If you have materials that you feel could benefit others, please become part of this process. If you would like to access the resource center’s materials and information, please use our expertise. Improving the oral health of our nation’s children requires a collaborative effort at many levels. We look forward to continuing to work with you toward this goal.
ORAL HEALTH MATERIALS

GENERAL EDUCATION MATERIALS

BRUSH FOR 2


This information package for health professionals explains the Brush for 2 campaign, a promotion to educate pregnant women about the relationship between severe gum disease (periodontitis) and preterm, low-birthweight births. The package includes a sample brochure, a poster for use with patients, and an order form for the brochure.

Contact: Leslie Dunne, National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition, 121 North Washington Street, Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22314. Telephone: (703) 836-6110; fax: (703) 836-3470; e-mail: ldunne@hmhb.org; Web site: http://www.hmhb.org.

Available at no charge.

DENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION RESOURCE GUIDE: PRESCHOOL THROUGH 2ND GRADE AND 3RD GRADE THROUGH 5TH GRADE


This guide, divided into two parts, provides teachers with resources on basic oral health education for school children. The first part focuses on preschool through second grade, and the second part on third through fifth grade. Each section contains goals and objectives in addition to age-appropriate games and puzzles.

Contact: National Center for Education in Maternal and Child Health, 2000 15th Street, North, Suite 701, Arlington, VA 22201-2617. Telephone: (703) 524-7802; fax: (703) 524-9335; e-mail: info@ncemch.org; Web site: http://www.ncemch.org. Photocopy available at no charge.

DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT HURTS: YOUR CHILD NEEDS HEALTHY TEETH TO EAT, TALK AND SMILE!


This brochure provides parents with information on dental visits for their children and tips for keeping children's teeth healthy. It also includes a checklist of dental care.

Contact: Jacqueline Tallman, Oral Health Program Coordinator, Michigan Department of Community Health, 3423 North Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, P.O. Box 30195, Lansing, MI 48909. Telephone: (517) 335-8909; fax: (517) 335-8294. Single copies available at no charge.

MOBILE DENTISTRY


This book examines the need for and means of providing mobile dental services to institutional populations. It begins with an overview of mobile dentistry and the physical components essential to delivery of dental services. The second section discusses staffing, including the role of staff in providing dental care in long-term care facilities. The third section explains techniques and systems for overcoming barriers to care in nontraditional settings. The last section looks at mobile missionary programs. Appendices include a resource guide and an exposure control plan.

Contact: PennWell Books, P.O. Box 21288, Tulsa, OK 74121. Telephone: (800) 752-9764; fax: (877) 218-1348; e-mail: renaew@pennwell.com; Web site: http://www.pennwell-store.com. $10.00. ISBN 0-87814-468-4.
NATIONAL DENTAL ORGANIZATION DIRECTORY


This directory lists national dental organizations alphabetically by subject group: ADA-recognized specialties, dental specialty boards, other affiliated organizations, dental fraternities, and special interest groups. Included are the names, addresses, and phone and fax numbers of the presidents and executive directors, as well as the end of the officers’ terms.

Contact: American Dental Association, P.O. Box 776, St. Charles, IL 60174. Telephone: (800) 947-4776; e-mail: catalog@ada.org; Web site: http://www.ada.org. $125 for members, $187.50 for nonmembers.

PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY


The 12 articles in this issue present clinical aspects of pediatric dentistry for pediatric dentists and general practitioners. The articles highlight basic concepts in children's growth and development and oral health care. Topics include the role of medication and sugars in pediatric dental patients; craniofacial growth; behavior management of children in the dental office; infant oral health; principles of diagnosis and treatment of high-caries patients; resin-based composites and composites in primary molars; pulp therapy for the primary and young permanent dentitions; treatment of trauma to the primary and young permanent dentitions; periodontal diseases in children and adolescents; evaluation and treatment of pediatric oral habits; treatment approaches to common symptomatic oral lesions in children; and practice management in pediatric dentistry.

Contact: W. B. Saunders Periodicals, 6277 Sea Har bor Drive, Orlando, FL 32887-4800. Telephone: (800) 453-4351 (then select 1); fax: (407) 363-9669; e-mail: wbspcs@harcourt.com. $39.00. ISSN 0031-3955.

PLAQUE: WHAT IT IS AND HOW TO GET RID OF IT


This brochure contains information about plaque and describes correct dental hygiene procedures to prevent it. It illustrates proper flossing and brushing techniques and offers tips to help fight plaque and prevent diseases of the mouth.

Contact: National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, 9000 Rockville Pike, Building 45, Room 4A 519, Bethesda, MD 20892-6400. Telephone: (301) 496-4261 (publications); fax: (301) 496-9988; Web site: http://www.nidcr.nih.gov. Available at no charge. NIH 99-3245.

PEDIATRIC ORAL HEALTH


The 10 articles in this issue provide a survey of commonly encountered oral health problems in children and suggest appropriate interventions by health care providers. The articles are part of an effort to address the large unmet need for oral care among children in the United States. Topics include normal formation and development defects of human dentition; dental caries as an infectious and transmissible disease; the role of the pediatrician in prevention of dental disease; infant oral health and oral habits; diagnosis and management of dental injuries in children; facial growth and management of orthodontic problems; oral pathology, including soft tissue and periodontal conditions; relationships between oral and systemic health; pharmacologic behavior management for pediatric dental treatment; and public and clinical considerations in maximizing children's oral health.

Contact: W. B. Saunders Periodicals, 6277 Sea Harbor Drive, Orlando, FL 32887-4800. Telephone: (800) 453-4351 (then select 1); fax: (407) 363-9669; e-mail: wbspcs@harcourt.com. $39.00. ISSN 0031-3955.

UNINTENTIONAL INJURIES IN CHILDHOOD

This issue of The Future of Children, written for legislators, professionals, practitioners, and policymakers, focuses on childhood unintentional injuries. Chapters include an analysis of preventive strategies for childhood injuries and a history of injury control. Other topics include injury prevention in clinical and community settings, legislative and regulatory strategies to reduce childhood unintentional injuries, the cost of childhood unintentional injuries, the Oklahoma City Smoke Alarm Project, and the Indian Health Service Model for training injury control practitioners.

**Contact:** David and Lucile Packard Foundation, 300 Second Street, Suite 102, Los Altos, CA 94022. Telephone: (650) 948-3696; fax: (415) 948-6498; e-mail: circulation@futureofchildren.org; document URL: http://www.futureofchildren.org. Available from the Web site at no charge. ISSN 1054-8289.

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**WOMEN’S ORAL HEALTH ISSUES**


This report serves as a resource for dentists and physicians on the special oral health needs of women. It addresses hormonal effects on the oral cavity in various stages of women’s lives, including at puberty, during menses and pregnancy, while using oral contraceptives, and during menopause. The report highlights women’s dental needs and considerations and addresses eating disorders and temporomandibular disorders.

**Contact:** Catalog Sales, A merican D ental A ssociation, P.O. Box 776, St. C harles, IL 60174. Telephone: (800) 947-4746; fax: (888) 476-1880; e-mail: catalog@ada.org; Web site: http://www.ada.org. $12.00 for members, $18.00 for nonmembers (prepaid).

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**YOUR CHILD’S FIRST DENTAL VISIT**


This fact sheet suggests ways parents and other caregivers can make a first dental visit a positive experience for a child. It also lists actions that can be detrimental to the experience.

**Contact:** Susan Hahn, H ealthP artners, C HP -M od, 8100 34th A venue, S outh, P.O. Box 1309, M inneapolis, M N 55440-1309. Telephone: (952) 967-6795; fax: (952) 883-6767; e-mail: susan.h.hahn@healthpartners.com; Web site: http://www.healthpartners.com. A vailable at no charge.

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**DENTAL SEALANTS**

**BENEFITS OF SEALANTS**


This brochure explains the benefits of dental sealants, as well as the causes of dental caries and how sealants prevent them.

**Contact:** A merican D ental A ssociation, P.O. Box 776, S t. C harles, IL 60174. Telephone: (800) 947-4776; e-mail: catalog@ada.org; Web site: http://www.ada.org. Contact organization for price information.

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**DENTAL SEALANT RESOURCE GUIDE**


This resource guide encourages the exchange of information about dental sealants and promotes their use to prevent dental caries. The guide is divided into three sections. The first section lists journal articles that appeared in the literature from 1997 to 1999. The second section describes publications and resource materials, including curricula, manuals, and modules; guidelines; pamphlets and brochures; and videotapes. The third section lists federal agencies and professional organizations that may serve as resources. [Funded by the M aternal and C hild H ealth Bureau.]

**Contact:** N ational M aternal and C hild H ealth C learinghouse, 2070 C hain B ridge R oad, S uite 450, V ienna, VA 22182-2536. Telephone: (703) 356-1964, (888) 434-4M CH; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: nmchc@circsol.com; Web site: http://www.nmchc.org; document URL: http://www.ncemch.org/pubs/default.html#oralhealth. A vailable at no charge. N M C H C inventory code M 022.
PREVENTING TOOTH DECAY AND SAVING TEETH WITH DENTAL SEALANTS


This fact sheet provides information on the use and advantages of dental sealants and discusses costs and access. It explains what dental sealants are, how they can be used to prevent tooth decay, and programs to increase their use. A list of references is provided.

Contact: National Maternal and Child Health Clearinghouse, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182-2536. Telephone: (703) 356-1964, (888) 434-4MCH; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: nmchc@circsol.com; Web site: http://www.nmchc.org; document URL: http://www.ncemch.org/pubs/default.html#oralhealth. Available at no charge. NMCHC inventory code M055.

SEAL A SMILE: A DENTAL SEALANT PORTFOLIO FOR DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAMS AND WISCONSIN COMMUNITIES—A USER’S GUIDE


This manual provides guidelines for developing school-based and school-linked dental sealant programs in Wisconsin. It is divided into modules covering the following topics: community partners and resources; selection of children for the program and form development; sealant program preparation and communication forms; sealant program implementation; treatment referral; sealant program evaluation; equipment and supplies; grant writing and funding sources; occupational safety and health training and first aid planning; and problems and solutions.

Contact: Children’s Health Alliance of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 1997, MS 957, M 53201-1997. Telephone: (414) 266-6179; fax: (414) 266-6975; e-mail: pbollinger@chw.org; Web site: http://www.healthysmilesforwi.org. Available at no charge.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES

ARE YOU AT RISK FOR DENTAL CARIES (CAVITIES)?

HealthPartners, Center for Health Promotion. 1998. Are you at risk for dental caries (cavities)? Minneapolis, MN: Center for Health Promotion, HealthPartners. 2 pp.

This brochure provides information on assessing an individual’s risk for dental caries, preventing caries, and reversing small caries. A chart lists the risk of caries according to type of food consumed.

Contact: Susan Hahn, HealthPartners, CHP-Modc, 8100 34th Avenue, South, P.O. Box 1309, Minneapolis, MN 55440-1309. Telephone: (952) 967-6795; fax: (952) 883-6767; e-mail: susan.h.hahn@healthpartners.com; Web site: http://www.healthpartners.com. $3.40 per pack of 25.

CARIES GUIDELINE


This guideline discusses the assessment, management, and prevention of dental caries affecting older children and adults. Addressed to dentists, the guideline focuses on topics such as treatment of root caries, remineralization as a therapy, and movement from the traditional surgical model to the preventive model.
EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES E. C. C.: A WISCONSIN RESOURCE DIRECTORY


This guide provides information on and resources for dealing with oral health and prevention of early childhood caries in Wisconsin. Topics include fluoride supplementation, dental hygiene, dental sealants, and preventive dental care. A referral list of pediatric dentists and a listing of county health departments are provided.

Contact: Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 1997, MS 957, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1997. Telephone: (414) 266-6179; fax: (414) 266-6975; e-mail: pbollinger@chw.org; Web site: http://www.healthysmilesforwi.org. Available at no charge.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES PREVENTION


The two manuals in this resource package provide health professionals with information on how to teach parents to prevent early childhood caries. The training presenter manual describes objectives, slides to use (not included), and an evaluation form. Health professionals can use the educational curriculum manual, divided into sections by age ranges from prenatal to 24 months, to educate parents. Each section provides tips for good oral health during that time span. Some of the material is in Spanish. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau.]

Contact: Judith M. Wright, Bureau Chief, Maternal and Child Health, Nevada Bureau of Family Health Services, Nevada Health Division, 505 East King Street, Room 200, Carson City, NV 89701-4792. Telephone: (775) 684-4285; e-mail: jwright@govmail.state.nv.us. Available at no charge.

IS YOUR CHILD AT RISK FOR DENTAL CARIES (TOOTH DECAY)?

HealthPartners, Center for Health Promotion. 2000. Is your child at risk for dental caries (tooth decay)? Minneapolis, MN: Center for Health Promotion, HealthPartners. 2 pp.
This fact sheet is a check-off form dental health professionals can use to provide information to parents and caregivers about a child’s risk for dental caries and ways to reduce the risk of future tooth decay. It also gives anticipatory guidance on actions to take to ensure good oral health in children ages 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, and adolescence.

Contact: Susan Hahn, HealthPartners, CHP-M odc, 8100 34th Avenue, South, P.O. Box 1309, Minneapolis, MN 55440-1309. Telephone: (952) 967-6795; fax: (952) 883-6767; e-mail: susan.h.hahn@healthpartners.com; Web site: http://www.healthpartners.com. Available at no charge.

LIFT THE LIP TO CHECK BABY’S TEETH

Calgary Regional Health Authority, Community Oral Health Services. 2000. Lift the lip to check baby’s teeth. Calgary, AB: Community Oral Health Services, Calgary Regional Health Authority. 1 card (4 x 8 1/2 inches), 1 magnet (2 x 2 inches).

This folding card and magnet carry the message “Lift the lip to check baby’s teeth.” Inside the card are pictures of healthy teeth and teeth with varying stages of early childhood caries. The back of the card has tips on infant oral health for parents.

Contact: Community Oral Health Services, Calgary Regional Health Authority, 320-17 Avenue Southwest, Box 4016, Station C, Calgary, AB T2T 5T1. Telephone: (403) 228-7410; fax: (403) 245-1736; e-mail: luke.schwart@crha-health.ab.ca. Contact the organization for price information.

PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY DENTAL CARIES GUIDELINE


This guideline addresses the assessment, management, and prevention of dental caries affecting infants and children from birth to age 12. The first part presents information about fluoride and dental caries, dental caries risk, and sources of fluoride and its effects drawn from evidence-based medical literature, along with recommendations for the dentist and dental assistant. The second part gives protocols for examining and treating infants and children from birth to age 2 and from ages 3 to 12. Appendices provide information about fluoride supplements and anticipatory guidance for children ages 12 months through adolescence. Included are a list of references and flow charts for risk assessment and treatment of children.

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PREVENTING BABY BOTTLE TOOTH DECAY: TIPS TO WEAN YOUR CHILD AWAY FROM A BOTTLE


This fact sheet gives parents and other caregivers information on the cause of baby bottle tooth decay and recommends methods for weaning a child from using a bottle or “at will” breastfeeding at bed and nap time. It also provides information on teaching a child to drink from a cup, suggestions for the best time to wean a child from a bottle, and reasons a child older than 12 months should not carry a cup of sweetened liquid around all day.

Contact: Susan Hahn, HealthPartners, CHP-M odc, 8100 34th Avenue, South, P.O. Box 1309, Minneapolis, MN: Center for Health Promotion, HealthPartners. 2 pp.

This fact sheet gives parents and other caregivers information about the role of fluoride in children's oral health, including benefits and possible problems of fluoride use. It provides answers to several general questions, including “What is fluoride?”, “What are the primary sources of fluoride?”, and “How do you know if you are getting enough, or too much?”

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SOURCES OF FLUORIDE

HealthPartners, Center for Health Promotion. 2000. Sources of fluoride. Minneapolis, MN: Center for Health Promotion, HealthPartners. 3 pp.

This fact sheet presents dental patients with information on the use of fluoride for oral health and includes sources of fluoride. Answers to several general questions address fluoridated water, as well as professionally applied or prescribed fluoride such as fluoride gel, concentrate, mouthrinse, and supplements.

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NUTRITION

NUTRITION AND ORAL HEALTH


This fact sheet presents the patient with information on the causes of tooth decay and recommends dental hygiene and nutrition practices that will help prevent dental caries.

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TOBACCO AND ORAL CANCER

CHEWFREE SMOKELESS TOBACCO CESSATION PROGRAM

This smokeless tobacco cessation program contains a set of materials for dental professionals to use with their patients. The program guide explains how to present the patient materials, including how to adapt the program for adolescents. A training videotape reviews the material in the guide and shows how to conduct an intervention. Pamphlets in the patient packet address snuff, chewing tobacco, and nicotine skin patches. A patient videotape reviews the material presented during the intervention.

Contact: Applied Behavior Science Press, 261 East 12th Avenue, Suite 210, Eugene, OR 97401. Telephone: (541) 345-0404, (888) 345-8744; fax: (541) 345-5951. $15.00 per training packet, $10.00 per patient packet (limited supply available).

ORAL CANCER: DEADLY TO IGNORE


This fact sheet presents an overview of oral cancer, then highlights data collected during the California Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) and explains its methodology. Graphs illustrate adult participation in oral and mouth cancer screening (by gender and ethnicity), participants’ understanding of early signs of cancer (by gender), and participants’ reasons for not undergoing an oral cancer examination (by gender).

Contact: Andrea Azevedo, Maternal and Child Health Branch, California Department of Health Services, 714 P Street, Room 750, Sacramento, CA 95814. Telephone (916) 654-9927; fax: (916) 657-3069; e-mail: aazevedo@dhs.ca.gov. Available at no charge.

ORAL HEALTH, CANCER CARE, AND YOU: FITTING THE PIECES TOGETHER


This information package contains materials for the Oral Health, Cancer Care, and You health awareness campaign. Materials explain to both patients and health professionals how drug therapy, radiation therapy, and bone marrow transplantation can cause oral health problems. The package includes lists of possible side effects and suggestions for alleviating them, as well as recommended oral health care schedules. Most of the materials have special sections dealing with children's oral health problems.

Contact: National Oral Health Information Clearinghouse, One NOHIC Way, Bethesda, MD 20892-3500. Telephone: (301) 402-7364, (877) 216-1019 (ordering information); fax: (301) 907-8830; e-mail: nohic@nidcr.nih.gov; Web site: http://www.nohic.nidcr.nih.gov. Available at no charge.

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS

INEQUALITIES IN ACCESS: ORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS


This fact sheet presents general information on the status of oral health services for children and adolescents with special health care needs, focusing on legal requirements, availability, and use. A list of references is provided. [Funded by Maternal and Child Health Bureau.]

Contact: National Maternal and Child Health Clearinghouse, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182-2536. Telephone: (703) 356-1964, (888) 434-4MCH; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: nmchc@circsol.com; Web site: http://www.nmchc.org; document URL: http://www.ncemch.org/pubs/default.html#oralhealth. Available at no charge. NMCHC inventory code N 014.
PLANNING GUIDE FOR DENTAL PROFESSIONALS SERVING CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS


This manual promotes a framework for dental professionals to communicate and work with families to ensure that appropriate, quality oral health care is provided both at home and in the dental office. The manual contains six sections on the following topics: preparation for dental visits, oral assessment and prevention; determination of specialized treatment techniques, indicators of quality dental care, linking with community resources, and bibliography and other resources.

Contact: Cary Bujold Kreutzer, University of Southern California University Affiliated Program, Children's Hospital Los Angeles, P.O. Box 54700, M S #53, Los Angeles, CA 90054-0700. Telephone: (323) 669-2300; fax: (323) 671-3835; e-mail: cbujold@chla.usc.edu.

$25.00.

PRINCIPLES OF DENTAL MANAGEMENT FOR THE HIV/AIDS PATIENT


These guidelines present information to help the dental professional care for the HIV-infected patient. Topics include the best methods to obtain a thorough medical history, treatment planning and case management, oral manifestations of HIV infection, occupational exposures to bloodborne pathogens and tuberculosis, and psychosocial and ethical issues. The appendix has a guide to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's standard for post-exposure evaluation and follow-up requirements.

Contact: Dental Alliance for AIDS/HIV Care, Nine Laurel Hill Road, Centerport, NY 11721-1218; e-mail: glick@biochem.dental.upenn.edu; Web site: http://www.critpath.org/daac; document URL: http://www.critpath.org/daac/standards.html. Available from the Web site at no charge.

MANUALS AND GUIDELINES

BRIDGING THE GAP: AN ORAL HEALTH GUIDE FOR MEDICAL PERSONNEL


This manual attempts to help physicians recognize oral health problems and become partners in preventive oral health care. It includes sections on primary and permanent dentition, oral examination, dental caries, prevention of oral disease, periodontal disease, orthodontics, dental trauma, and common oral problems.

Contact: Central Utah Area Health Education Center, 150 East College Avenue, P.O. Box 1019, Ephraim, UT 84627. Telephone: (435) 283-7588; fax: (435) 283-6913; e-mail: debbie.barnes@snow.edu; Web site: http://www.ahec.utah.edu. $12.95 plus $2.00 shipping and handling. Discounts available for orders of 10 or more.

MANUAL ON DENTAL CARE ACCESS PROGRAMS


This manual provides instructions for setting up a dental access program for patients who would not otherwise receive care. Topics include publicity, fundraising, and summaries of existing programs. Sample forms and lists of selected resources and contacts are also included.

Contact: Council on Access, Prevention, and Interprofessional Relations, American Dental Association, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678. Telephone: (312) 440-2860; fax: (312) 440-4640; Web site: http://www.ada.org. Available at no charge.

ORAL HEALTH RESOURCES INTERNATIONAL: SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

This manual describes the services and programs offered by Oral Health Resources International (OHRI), a unit within the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry, including needs assessments, oral health promotion, and materials for dental education and training. The manual contains a sample training module, sample media materials, a brochure describing OHRI, and a catalog of OHRI resources available for purchase.

Contact: College of Dentistry, Oral Health Resources International, University of Kentucky, U.K. Medical Center, 800 Rose Street, Room D-140, Lexington, KY 40536-0084. Telephone: (859) 323-1167; fax: (859) 257-2172; e-mail: hardison@pop.uky.edu; Web site: http://www.mc.uky.edu/ohri. Contact organization for price information.

PARTNERS IN PREVENTION: INFANT ORAL HEALTH MANUAL FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS


This infant oral health manual for nondental professionals provides information for pregnant women and new mothers about promoting oral health and preventing dental disease in their infants and young children. Topics include prenatal care, pregnancy, and oral health; tooth formation; acquisition of oral flora; initial oral evaluations; benefits of fluoride and understanding dental caries in the context of diet and nutrition; nutritive and nonnutritive sucking; oral hygiene; dental/orofacial trauma; simple rules for good oral health; a summary of anticipatory guidance; oral pathology of the infant and toddler; and oral manifestations of systemic disease. The manual comes with a list of relevant Web sites and a packet of oral health education pamphlets. A pocket in the binder contains a copy of the Directory of Clinical Dental Services: New York City (1996), an infant oral health questionnaire pretest and posttest, and a session evaluation.

Contact: Jill Fernandez, College of Dentistry, Department of Pediatric Dentistry, New York University, 345 East 24th Street, New York, NY 10010-4086. Telephone: (212) 998-9656, (212) 998-9653. Contact organization for price information.

PHYSICIANS’ GUIDE TO DENTAL EMERGENCIES


This guide helps physicians identify and treat emergency dental conditions until the patient can see a dentist. It covers problems with teeth, soft and hard tissue infections, tissue lacerations, post-dental visit complications, temporomandibular disorders, local anesthesia, antibiotics, and dental prescriptions for children and adults.

Contact: Dental Health Foundation, 520 Third Street, Suite 205, Oakland, CA 94607. Telephone: (510) 663-3727; fax: (510) 663-3733; e-mail: tdhf@pacbell.net; Web site: http://www.dentalhealthfoundation.org. $6.00 plus $3.00 shipping and handling.

PREAMBLE TO THE COMPETENCY STATEMENTS FOR DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH [AND] DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH COMPETENCIES


These guidelines for dental public health competencies were developed at a workshop in San Mateo, California, in May 1997 and are part of the cultural competency material from the Annual Oral Health Conference, held in Lansing, Michigan, in June 2000. The preamble explains some of the history of the competencies and how the new ones differ from previous ones. The competencies themselves list what dental public health practitioners should do rather than what they should know or understand. They also provide performance indicators. Competency areas include program planning, program evaluation, oral health promotion, ethics, culturally competent services, and surveillance systems.

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REPORTS

THE CHILD HEALTH INITIATIVE: STRATEGY TRANSFER GUIDE—MODELS THAT WORK


This report is designed to help others replicate the strategies used by the Child Health Initiative, one of the 1996 Models that Work competition special honorees. The Child Health Initiative was a 4-year public-private collaboration in Salem, Oregon, that provided intensive care coordination to elementary students and their younger siblings in low-income areas. In addition, the initiative provided free services, including annual health and safety fairs, immunizations, emergency dental treatment, dental sealants, a bicycle safety program with bike helmets, smoke detectors, and blankets. The report describes the project, including its collaborative model, service delivery, partnerships, infrastructure, funding, influence, and outcomes, along with lessons learned, implementation of the model program, and funding and resource development.

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GAPS IN PREVENTION AND TREATMENT: DENTAL CARE FOR LOW-INCOME CHILDREN


This report uses estimates drawn from the 1997 National Survey of America's Families (NSAF) to examine variations in the receipt of dental services and in unmet need for dental care across different subgroups of children ages 3 and over, both nationally and across 13 different states. The report examines the specific barriers to care and their policy implications.

Contact: Bonnie Nowak, Urban Institute, 2100 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037. Telephone: (202) 261-5850; fax: (202) 293-1918; e-mail: bnowak@ui.urban.org; Web site: http://www.urban.org. Available at no charge.

INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO THE DENTAL ACCESS ISSUE


This report examines a variety of ways to improve access to dental care, including the broad categories of provider incentives and preventive dental health solutions. It also includes experiences from states that are putting these solutions into practice.

Contact: Sally Vogler, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Foundation, 700 Broadway, Denver, CO 80273-0002. Telephone: (303) 831-5899. Available at no charge.

THE DISPARITY CAVITY: FILLING AMERICA'S ORAL HEALTH CARE GAP


This report presents an overview of Oral Health America's 10-year campaign for Oral Health Parity. It identifies some of the barriers that must be overcome, such as the shortage of dental professionals, and suggests some steps to meet the goal of parity in dental care.

Contact: Oral Health America, 410 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 352, Chicago, IL 60611-4211. Telephone: (312) 836-9900; fax: (312) 836-9986; e-mail: liv@oralhealthamerica.org; Web site: http://www.oralhealthamerica.org. Available at no charge.
ORAL HEALTH: DENTAL DISEASE IS A CHRONIC PROBLEM AMONG MANY LOW-INCOME AND VULNERABLE POPULATIONS


This report analyzes dental health and data on the use of dental care from four national health surveys. Data from Medicaid and related programs was also analyzed state by state. The report also discusses Medicaid payment data for dental services.


ORAL HEALTH IN AMERICA: A REPORT OF THE SURGEON GENERAL


This report covers the following topics: the meaning of oral health, the status of oral health in America, the relationship between oral health and general health and well-being, promotion and maintenance of oral health, prevention of oral diseases, and opportunities to enhance oral health. A framework for action is also included. The executive summary describes the report contents, presents the major findings, and lists the principal components of the framework for action.


THE ORAL-SYSTEMIC HEALTH CONNECTION


This report describes the relationship between periodontal disease and other health problems, such as chronic degenerative diseases, diabetes mellitus, heart diseases, low birthweight, AIDS, Sjögren's syndrome, and xerostomia. The report discusses current and projected research in the field.


MEETING/CONFERENCE MATERIALS

ANNUAL ORAL HEALTH CONFERENCE 2000: A SMILE FOR ALL AGES—ACTION FOR ORAL HEALTH


This manual was developed as a reference for attendees of the Annual Oral Health Conference 2000, which was held in Lansing, Michigan, in June. The manual is divided into sections corresponding to the conference sessions and includes a Michigan oral health program directory listing detailed information about local agency oral health programs, as well as summary findings from the U.S. Surgeon General's Workshop on Children and Oral Health. The manual addresses local health departments' perspectives, oral health promotion goals and creative solutions for meeting them, cultural competency, community collaborations, oral health program marketing, and securing foundation funding. The resources in the cultural competency section include three articles on tailoring oral health education materials to Native Americans and one report on Arab-American cultural values in relation to health.

Contact: Librarian, National Center for Education in Maternal and Child Health, 2000 15th Street, North,
DENTAL SUMMIT: MAY 10 AND 11, 1999, GRANTVILLE HOLIDAY INN


These conference materials were developed as a reference for attendees at the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare Dental Summit. The conference focused on improving access to dental care for Medical Assistance recipients, with participation by major stakeholders in a collaborative process. Five workgroups—organized around children, special needs populations, managed care, provider inducements, and quality—met to discuss accessibility issues and make recommendations. Contents of the reference binder include a statement of the conference vision, goals, and objectives; Pennsylvania regulations on the Medical Assistance Program and dental services; the Medical Assistance fee schedule; copies of invoice forms; and statistical charts. Several issue-related articles are also included.

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NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL ORAL HEALTH ACCESS CONFERENCE: PROCEEDINGS—SEPTEMBER 9-10, 1999, PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE


This report summarizes the deliberations of work groups that participated in the New England Regional Oral Health Access Conference, held in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, September 9–10, 1999. Key representatives from the public, private, not-for-profit, academic, and elected sectors participated in the conference. The conference developed action plans to promote children’s access to oral health services at the state and local levels in the six New England states, Public Health Service Region I: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont. [Funded by the M and Child Health Bureau.]

Contact: National Maternal and Child Health Clearinghouse, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182-2536. Telephone: (703) 356-1964, (888) 434-4MCH; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: nmchc@circsol.com; Web site: http://www.nmchc.org; document URL: http://www.ncemch.org/pubs/default.html#oralhealth. Available at no charge. NMCHC inventory code M 057.

NORTH DAKOTA DENTAL SUMMIT: ORAL HEALTH ACCESS—SHAPING THE FUTURE: APRIL 14, 2000, BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA—MEETING PROCEEDINGS


This document contains the meeting proceedings from the North Dakota Dental Summit, held in Bismarck,
North Dakota, on April 14, 2000. The purpose of the summit was to engage North Dakota in the National Oral Health Initiative of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA); to develop and consider policy changes and other strategies to increase access to dental services, particularly for the underserved; and to follow up on dental issues generated at the Children's Health Care Needs Workshop held in August 1999 in North Dakota. Priority issues included lack of dental staffing; financing and resources required to support staffing improvement and dental services; and challenges in providing services to special populations.

Contact: Kathy Mangskau, Oral Health Program, North Dakota Department of Health, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505-0200. Telephone: (701) 328-4930; fax: (701) 328-1412; e-mail: kmangsk@state.nd.us; Web site: http://www.health.state.nd.us/ndhd/prevent/mch/; document URL: http://www.health.state.nd.us/ndhd/prevent/mch/dental/summit2000. Available at no charge; also available on the Web site at no charge.


The conference proceedings are from the Dentists C.A.R.E. (Child Abuse Recognition and Education) Conference held in 1998 in Chicago, IL. Included are presentations on the following aspects of child abuse: clinical signs of child abuse and neglect specific to dentistry; forensic dentistry and case management; legal and liability issues related to reporting suspected abuse; ethical issues related to child abuse and family violence; psychological and patient management considerations in treating pediatric patients; dentistry's interventions and perspectives in preventing child abuse and neglect; the American Dental Association's perspective; and family violence as a public health issue. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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REPORT OF “AIM FOR CHANGE” IN MEDICAID CONFERENCE: AUGUST 2-3, 1999


This report summarizes the discussions of the AIM (Achieving Improvements in Medicaid) for Change Conference, a forum for state and local leaders to discuss ways to improve the delivery of dentistry to Medicaid patients, especially children. Discussions include federal agencies’ efforts, how to overcome barriers to dental care in Medicaid, and summaries of state efforts. Appendices include lists of attendees, fact sheets on dentistry, the impact of oral health on overall health, dental provisions in each state in the State Children’s Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, Medicaid program improvements and litigation in some states, and a list of additional resources, including Web sites.


WISCONSIN DENTAL ACCESS SUMMITS


This information package contains materials from three dental access summits held in Wisconsin in 1998 and 2000. Conference schedules, data on claims and dental services by county, copies of conference presentations, and a list of participants attending the 2000 conference are included.

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STATE INITIATIVES

ACCOMACK COUNTY SCHOOL-BASED DENTAL PROGRAM: STRATEGY TRANSFER GUIDE—MODELS THAT WORK


This guide is designed to help others replicate the strategies used by the Accomack County, Virginia, School-Based Dental Program, one of the 1996 Models That Work competition special honorees. The program provides restorative and preventive dental services, using a fully equipped dental trailer, to Medicaid-eligible and uninsured children who qualify for the free and reduced lunch program in 13 county schools. The report describes the project, including the population served, outcomes, community partnerships, the service delivery system, and the organizational structure. It also describes lessons learned, implementation of the model program, and funding and resource development.

Contact: HRSA Information Center, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182-2536. Telephone: 888-ASK-HRSA; e-mail: ask@hrsa.gov; Web site: http://www.ask.hrsa.gov. Available at no charge.

BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE AND CAPACITY IN STATE AND TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS


This document provides information on the resources and funding ranges necessary to maintain fully effective dental public health programs at the state and territorial levels. It reviews the Healthy People 2010 oral health objectives, highlights elements of state oral health programs that build infrastructure and capacity, summarizes existing gaps reported by the states, and illustrates funding needed to build infrastructure and capacity.

Contact: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505-0200. Telephone: (701) 328-4930; fax: (701) 328-1412; e-mail: kmangsk@state.nd.us; Web site: http://www.astdd.org. Available from the Web site at no charge.

DENTAL CARE ACCESS PROGRAMS FOR THE UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED IN WISCONSIN

Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin. 1999. Dental care access programs for the uninsured and underinsured in Wisconsin. Milwaukee, WI: Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin. 34 pp.

This directory lists various dental access programs for uninsured or underinsured patients in Wisconsin. The information is arranged by county. Each entry includes contact names, addresses, and details about the program, such as population served, service area, funding, personnel, and days and hours of operation.

Contact: Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 1997, MS 957, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1997. Telephone: (414) 266-6179; fax: (414) 266-6975; e-mail: pbollinger@chw.org; Web site: http://www.healthysmilesforwi.org. Available at no charge.

ENSURING SHINING SMILES FOR COLORADO KIDS


This report discusses structural and systemic issues, including low income and lack of insurance, that contribute to poor dental health in Colorado's children. The report also provides a brief overview of Colorado dental practice, Colorado dental insurance, the dental health safety net and its gaps, and initiatives to improve the system of children's dental health.

Contact: Sally Vogler, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Foundation, 700 Broadway, Denver, CO 80273-0002. Telephone: (303) 831-5899. Available at no charge.
INFORMATION OVERVIEW: SCHOOL DENTAL OUTREACH PROGRAMS


This report describes the dental services offered to indigent students in Kentucky through a program conducted by the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry. The report explains the need for such a program and its goals, then lists and describes the school programs.

Contact: College of Dentistry, Oral Health Resources International, University of Kentucky, UK Medical Center, 800 Rose Street, Room D-140, Lexington, KY 40536-0084. Telephone: (859) 323-1167; fax: (859) 257-2172; e-mail: hardison@pop.uky.edu; Web site: http://www.mc.uky.edu/ohri. Contact organization for price information.

MONTANA DENTAL ACTION PLAN


This action plan was prepared by the Montana Dental Access Coalition and submitted for review to the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Legislative Interim Committee. The action plan is part of an effort to improve oral health and access to dental care in Montana, particularly for the underserved population. The committee's recommendations following their review are included.

Contact: Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, 1400 Broadway, Helena, MT 59620-0901. Telephone: (406) 444-0276; fax: (406) 444-2606. Available at no charge.

THE ORAL HEALTH OF CALIFORNIA'S CHILDREN: HALTING A NEGLECTED EPIDEMIC—SELECTED RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHILDREN’S DENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE


This report presents a strategic plan and recommendations to solve the oral health problems found in California's children in 1993–94. An assessment revealed a virtual epidemic of untreated oral diseases in a sample of more than 6,600 California children from preschool through grade 12. With the support of the California Endowment, the Dental Health Foundation convened the Children's Dental Health Initiative Advisory Committee, comprising individuals representing health professions, children's advocacy organizations, philanthropies, government agencies, the dental insurance industry, academic institutions, and community-based organizations. The advisory committee worked to identify feasible solutions and translate them into a plan for action. A reference list is included.

Contact: Dental Health Foundation, 520 Third Street, Suite 205, Oakland, CA 94607. Telephone: (510) 663-3727; fax: (510) 653-3733; e-mail: tdhf@pacbell.net; Web site: http://www.dentalhealthfoundation.org. Available at no charge.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL: DENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT—PROPOSAL NUMBER 99-4006/003-10-5-D


This is a request for proposals for Massachusetts communities to develop dental services for MassHealth members in geographic areas with low provider participation and poor oral health care access. It explains in detail the standard bid terms and conditions, contractual terms and conditions, and specifications and budget worksheet.

Contact: National Center for Education in Maternal and Child Health, 2000 15th Street, North, Suite 701, Arlington, VA 22201-2617. Telephone: (703) 524-7802; fax: (703) 524-9335; e-mail: info@ncemch.org; Web site: http://www.ncemch.org. Photocopy available at no charge.
SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 21: FINAL REPORT


This report describes the data and findings of an analysis requested by the New Mexico state legislature in 1998 in the document Senate Joint Memorial 21. The memorial asked the Health Policy Commission to conduct a comprehensive analysis of barriers to primary oral health care access, including an inventory of existing service delivery programs and sites and the supply and distribution of primary oral health care providers. The report includes recommendations, a list of task force members, the text of the memorial, a bibliography, and a report from a separate survey of New Mexico general dentists on the correlates of dental practice in the state, strategies used to finance the dentists' dental education, and variances in dental practice by demographic characteristics and dentists' year of graduation.

Contact: Carol A. Karps, Deputy Director, New Mexico Health Policy Commission, 2055 South Pacheco, Suite 200, Sante Fe, NM 87505. Telephone: (505) 424-3200; e-mail: cakarps@hpc.state.nm.us; Web site: http://hpc.state.nm.us. Available from the Web site at no charge.

STATE INITIATIVES TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE [ONLINE]


This memorandum lists actions states have considered to improve access to dental care, particularly for individuals insured through Medicaid. It includes actions taken and actions considered but not adopted. The activities are listed under four broad headings: reports, legislation, initiatives/projects, and Title V agency. Resource lists are included after each state.

Contact: National Health Law Program, 2639 South La Cienega Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90034. Telephone: (310) 204-6010; fax: (310) 204-0891; e-mail: nhelp@healthlaw.org; Web site: http://www.healthlaw.org; document URL: http://www.healthlaw.org/pubs/200010dental.html. Available on the Web site at no charge.

UNDERSTANDING THE DENTAL DELIVERY SYSTEM AND HOW IT DIFFERS FROM THE MEDICAL SYSTEM

Ingargiola, P. 2000. Understanding the dental delivery system and how it differs from the medical system. Denver, CO: Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Foundation in Colorado. 7 pp.

This report examines characteristics of the Colorado dental delivery system in contrast to the medical delivery system, including the differences between physicians' and dentists' training and education. The report also examines issues related to workforce capacity and the declining numbers of dentists, due to decreasing numbers of students graduating from dental schools and increasing numbers of retiring dentists. The report examines the differences in how dentists and physicians deliver services, manage patient care, and minimize financial losses. The report also highlights the public's perception of the need for dental services relative to competing needs.

Contact: Sally Vogler, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Foundation, 700 Broadway, Denver, CO 80273-0002. Telephone: (303) 831-5899. A available at no charge.

WISCONSIN YOUTH ORAL HEALTH DATA COLLECTION PLAN: FINAL REPORT


The Youth Oral Health Data Collection Plan is the result of the Healthy Smiles for Wisconsin Youth Oral Health Forum, held in February 1999. The data collection plan contains the Healthy Smiles for Wisconsin coalition goals specifying how the data can be used to improve the oral health of Wisconsin children. The data collection plan specifies the data to be collected, the methods to be used, state and national resources that can provide information, and how the data will be shared with youth health advocates across Wisconsin.

Contact: Paul Bollinger, Healthy Smiles for Wisconsin, P.O. Box 1997, M S 957, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1997. Telephone: (414) 266-6179; fax: (414) 266-6975; e-mail: pbollinger@chw.org; Web site: http://www.healthysmilesforwi.org. Available at no charge.
**MEDICAID AND THE STATE CHILDREN’S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM**

DENTAL CARE FOR MEDICAID-ENROLLED CHILDREN


This report analyzes the findings of a 1999 study of access to dental care for children covered by Medicaid or the State Children’s Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). Findings are reported as an aggregate, not state by state. The report includes sections on background and methodology, access barriers, reimbursement policy, managed dental care, efforts to change behavior, the role of safety-net providers, outreach to children and families, outreach to providers, and SCHIP.

Contact: Erin Nagy, American Public Human Services Association, 810 First Street, N.E., Suite 500, Washington, DC 20002. Telephone: (202) 682-0100; fax: (202) 289-6555; e-mail: enagy@aphsa.org; Web site: http://www.APHSA.org; document URL: http://medicaid.aphsa.org/pubs/pubs.htm#dentalcare. Available at no charge.

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**DENTAL HEALTH AND THE CHILDREN’S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM**


This fact sheet presents information about tooth decay among children in underserved populations and includes a review of federal legislation and state actions to provide dental care to these children. Selected references are included.

Contact: National Conference of State Legislatures, 1560 Broadway, Suite 700, Denver, CO 80202. Telephone: (303) 830-2200, (303) 830-2054 (book order line); fax: (303) 863-8003; e-mail: books@ncsl.org; Web site: http://www.ncsl.org. $3.50; any four briefs, $5.00.

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**ORAL HEALTH: FACTORS CONTRIBUTING TO LOW USE OF DENTAL SERVICES BY LOW-INCOME POPULATIONS**


This report provides the results of a survey undertaken to discover why low income and other underserved populations with dental care coverage from Medicaid and other programs continue to have a high rate of dental disease and low usage of the available services. It addresses factors that explain low dental service use by Medicaid and State Children’s Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) beneficiaries, as well as the role of other federal safety-net programs in improving access to dental care.


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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR ORAL HEALTH GRANTS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND INCREASE MEDICAID SERVICE DELIVERY [AND] ORAL HEALTH GRANT PROPOSALS RECOMMENDATIONS**


This is a request for grant proposals for capacity building to provide additional access to oral health services in Michigan. It explains how to apply for a grant and the selection criteria to be used. Accompanying the request is a list of oral health grant proposals recommendations that list the name of the agency to be funded, the funding amount, and a brief description of the project.

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States' Approaches to Increasing Medicaid Beneficiaries' Access to Dental Services


This report provides the results of a study that assessed states' efforts to increase access to dental care for Medicaid-eligible children. Included are issues affecting access, states' approaches to increasing access, and states' supply of dentists. States' efforts to increase access to dental care are summarized in a table. Statistics describing dentists' participation in Medicaid programs are also provided.

Contact: Center for Health Care Strategies, 353 Nassau Street, Princeton, NJ 08540. Telephone: (609) 279-0700; fax: (609) 279-0956; e-mail: mail@chcs.org; Web site: http://www.chcs.org; document URL: http://www.chcs.org/publications/summaries/dental.pdf. Available at no charge; also available on the Web site at no charge.
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