Oral Health Resource Bulletin

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Building on the success of the first six volumes of the Oral Health Resource Bulletin (formerly the MCH Program Interchange—Focus on Oral Health), the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center (OHRC) has produced the seventh volume in the series. Each successive volume is intended to supplement rather than replace previous volumes. This volume contains a current listing of materials produced by state and community programs to promote the oral health of infants, children, adolescents, and their families across the country.

The bulletin is just one resource produced by OHRC in its efforts to develop timely and current oral health materials. OHRC produced the Women’s Oral Health Resource Guide in 2002, which lists dozens of materials highlighting the unique oral health needs of women. Hormonal changes throughout the lifespan of women, the importance of adequate oral health care during pregnancy, and the connection between oral health and systemic wellness are among the topics explored.

Many of the materials listed in this issue of the bulletin reflect our nation’s efforts to improve access to oral health services. In follow-up to the 1998 Building Partnerships to Improve Children’s Access to Medicaid Oral Health Services National Conference, regional and state offices have convened summits to address oral health access problems and to develop specific strategies and implementation plans to overcome barriers. OHRC has been collecting and making available regional and state summit reports (see reports listed in the Meeting/Conference Materials section). Health professionals, program administrators, educators, policymakers, and others are continuing their efforts to reduce barriers to access in oral health. Their work, described in numerous materials listed in this issue, can help us avoid duplication of effort and achieve positive outcomes in oral health service delivery.

OHRC is committed to continuing to provide effective mechanisms for sharing information about materials that enhance oral health programs and services. If you have materials that you feel would be useful for program development and evaluation, please become part of this process. Materials such as standards, guidelines, curricula, conference proceedings, policies, and reports are especially welcome. If you have any materials that you think might be of interest, please send two copies to

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Improving the oral health of our nation’s infants, children, adolescents, and families requires a collaborative effort at many levels. As always, Jolene, Sarah, and I look forward to working with you toward this goal.
Materials

TRENDS AND STATISTICS

1999 SURVEY OF CAREER PATTERNS: A COMPARISON OF DENTISTS BY GENDER AND AGE GROUP (REV. ED.)


This report presents selected highlights of data from a 1999 survey studying various aspects of individual dentists’ career progression and characteristics of the dentists’ current practice. Where possible, the report makes comparisons between male and female dentists and between dentists under age 40 and ages 40 and over, and by gender within age groups. The appendices provide the survey methodology, supplemental tables, a glossary, and the survey instrument. Extensive tables and figures provide statistical data.

Contact: American Dental Association, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: (312) 440-2568; fax: (312) 440-7461; e-mail: survey@ada.org; Web site: http://www.ada.org. $35.00, members; $52.50, nonmembers; $105.00, commercial (plus shipping and handling). ISBN 0-910074-96-8.

2000 SURVEY OF DENTAL PRACTICE: INCOME FROM THE PRIVATE PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY


This report provides the results of the 2000 Survey of Dental Practice, focusing on practice characteristics such as the number and frequency of patient visits, work schedules of dentists and staff, and auxiliary employment, as well as wages, expenses, and income of dentists. Results are given for various categories of dentists: independent, solo, non-owner, and independent contractor. When possible, each of these categories has been further broken down into general practitioners and specialists. The data were collected and analyzed at the national level, and regional breakdowns are presented when possible. Extensive charts, tables, and graphs throughout the report present statistical data.

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2001 AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION DENTAL WORKFORCE MODEL: 1999–2020


This report includes 2001 projections of the number of applicants to dental schools, first-year enrollment and projections, dental school attrition, the number of dental school graduates, and tuition and fees. Also included are (1) a description of how the data are calculated, (2) the age distribution of professional active dentists, and (3) an appendix describing the sensitivity analysis of the work force model used to create projections. Extensive tables and graphs throughout the report present statistical data.

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CATALOG OF SURVEYS AND ARCHIVE OF PROCEDURES RELATED TO ORAL HEALTH

This CD-ROM contains four files: a searchable catalog (in Access programming language) that includes over 250 surveys relating to oral health, a searchable archive of procedures used in these surveys, and two PDF text files that reproduce the records from the databases in alphabetical order by name. The catalog and archive are linked and can be searched based on a number of different variables. Descriptions of surveys include source, purpose, description, survey type, years of availability, sample design type, population description, geographic region, general variables, oral health variables, variables (notes), and references. Descriptions of procedures include procedures and method information (including procedure name, purpose, years of establishment, developer, type of procedure/method, oral condition category, and survey procedure and method).

Contact: Jeffrey Hyman. National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, Building 45, Room 4AS19, Bethesda, MD 20892-2290. Telephone: (301) 594-5489; e-mail: nidcrinfo@mail.nih.gov, Jeffrey.Hyman@nih.gov; Web site: http://www.nidcr.nih.gov. Available at no charge.

CHILDREN’S ORAL HEALTH: MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH FACT SHEET


This fact sheet presents statistics about children’s oral health in North Dakota from 1994 through 1999 in three sections: the problem, the effects, and the response. A graph is provided that shows the percentage of Medicaid-eligible children receiving dental and medical services from 1997 through 1999. A list of data sources is also provided. The response section describes steps the state is taking to improve children’s oral health.

Contact: Terry Bohn. North Dakota Department of Health, Division of Maternal and Child Health, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Department 301, Bismarck, ND 58505-0200. Telephone: (701) 328-2493, (800) 472-2286; Web site: http://www.health.state.nd.us. Available at no charge.

FILLING THE GAPS: ORAL HEALTH IN AMERICA


This report provides a snapshot of oral health in America using data available at the state level. The report includes an overview of oral health issues in America, an explanation of the grading categories used in the report, the methodology used in developing the grading scale, the report card categories and data sources used, and a state-by-state chart listing the final grades in 23 topical areas. The grading categories cover prevention, access to care, oral health leadership, and oral health status across the country.


DISTRIBUTION OF DENTISTS IN THE UNITED STATES BY REGION AND STATE, 1999


This report discusses the periodic census of all known dentists in the United States and its political jurisdictions, the survey methodology, the assignment of occupation codes, specialty versus area of practice, new dentists, and interpretation of the results. Data were collected on professionally active dentists, active private practitioners, primary occupation of all dentists, and dentists in outlying areas. The report also includes two appendices: (1) a glossary of terms and (2) the survey instrument. Numerous tables and figures provide extensive statistical data. Survey data are presented on a state-by-state and a national basis.

Contact: American Dental Association, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: (312) 440-2568; fax: (312) 440-7461; e-mail: survey@ada.org; Web site: http://www.ada.org. $75.00, members; $112.50, nonmembers; $225.00, commercial (plus shipping and handling). ISBN 0-910074-30-5.
FINAL REPORT: SURVEY OF ORAL HEALTH STATUS OF MARYLAND’S HEAD START CHILDREN, 2000


The purpose of the study presented in this report was to examine the distribution of dental caries and its consequences as indicated by reports of dental pain, dental care utilization, and perceived barriers to dental care in rural and urban Maryland Head Start children. Furthermore, the study aimed to gain insight into the caries status, risk factors, and behaviors of these children and into their parents’ or guardians’ oral health literacy. The appendix presents statistical data in table and chart formats on dental caries, dental pain, oral health, dental care utilization, fluids consumption, and reasons given by parents or guardians for their child not visiting a dentist. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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FUTURE OF DENTISTRY: TODAY’S VISION—TOMORROW’S REALITY


This report evaluates and interprets current information and trends to look to the future, predict future oral health needs, and determine how to address these needs. The report is written for all parties interested in improving global health and specifically for those who are able to contribute to improving the delivery of dental care. Chapter topics include vision and recommendations, clinical dental practice and management, financing of and access to dental services; licensure and regulation of dental professionals; dental education; dental and craniofacial research; and global oral health. Each chapter provides an overview, detailed subtopics, and references. Statistical data are presented in chart, table, and graph formats throughout the report. An index is provided.

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HEALTH CARE ACCESS REPORT 2000


This report presents data from a survey of Head Start families and primary medical and dental health professionals in selected Ohio counties. The report was part of a two-phase process. The information was collected to evaluate the barriers families encounter when accessing health care, as well as the primary health professionals’ acceptance of this population. Topics include family health care coverage, utilization and access, and medical and dental health professionals’ acceptance of Medicaid. The appendices contain survey questions and response data in four categories—child, adult, medical, and dental. Statistical data are presented in graphs, charts, and tables throughout the report. This report is a product of the Regional Head Start Children’s Health Collaborative, a grant project funded by The Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati. The Collaborative included four Head Start agencies: Hamilton County Educational Service Center; Butler County Educational Service Center; Child Focus, Clermont County; and Warren County Community Services.

Contact: Barbara Winter or Kara Ringer. Hamilton County Educational Service Center Head Start, 924 Waycross Road, Cincinnati, OH 45240. Telephone: (513) 851-2899; fax: (513) 851-5747; e-mail: bwinter@hcheadstart.org or kringer@hcheadstart.org; Web site: http://www.hcheadstart.org. Contact for cost information. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthfoundation.org/thf/thf.nsf/4714dcb8bcc546b1852568a30017da01/afceadb925023b6f852568c10067ad05/$FILE/Health%20Care%20
Access%20Report%202000.pdf (report); http://www.ihphsr.uc.edu/hfgc/holdings.cfm (raw data sets from surveys).

ORAL HEALTH STATUS OF CHILDREN IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY: RESULTS OF THE HEALTH TRUST 2001 NEEDS ASSESSMENT


This report presents the results of the Health Trust 2001 Oral Health Needs Assessment, which evaluated the oral health status of two primary groups—Head Start enrollees and elementary school children (kindergarten and third grade) in Santa Clara County, California. Topics include the survey methodology, oral health status, demographics, access to dental care, race/ethnicity, and findings compared with other states and Healthy People 2010 goals. Key findings are presented in tables containing statistical data.

Contact: Health Trust, 2085 Hamilton Avenue, Suite 150, San Jose, CA 95125. Telephone: (408) 559-9385; fax: (408) 559-9515; Web site: http://www.healthtrust.org. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthtrust.org/pubs/OralHealthStatusofChildreninSantaClaraCounty.PDF.

AN ORAL HEALTH SURVEY OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE DENTAL PATIENTS: FINDINGS, REGIONAL DIFFERENCES, AND NATIONAL COMPARISONS


This report documents the oral health status and treatment needs of American Indian/Alaska Native people. The report is organized by life stages, with each section including information on major oral diseases affecting the specific age group. Findings from previous Indian Health Service oral health surveys are compared with current statistics, as well as with the Healthy People 2010 national health objectives and national survey data. Additional sections discuss treatment needs and provide a summary and recommendations. A glossary is provided. Appendices include information on survey performers, methods and protocols, area-specific data, and treatment-needs data.

Contact: Tom Lozon. U.S. Indian Health Service, Division of Oral Health, 801 Thompson Avenue, Suite 335, Rockville, MD 20852-1627. Telephone: (301) 443-0029, (800) IHS-DENT (447-3368); fax: (301) 594-6610; e-mail: tlozon@hq.ihs.gov; Web site: http://www.dentist.ihs.gov. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.ihs.gov/MedicalPrograms/Dental/docs/survey.pdf.

SURVEY OF ADVANCED DENTAL EDUCATION: ANNUAL REPORT


This survey presents general demographic data, enrollment levels, graduate statistics, application deadlines, tuition, and stipends for advanced dental education programs in the United States. Also listed are accredited advanced oral and maxillofacial surgery programs. Data are presented in tables and figures. An appendix includes a sample survey instrument.

Contact: Survey Center. American Dental Association, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: (312) 440-2568, (312) 440-2568; fax: (312) 440-7461; e-mail: survey@ada.org; Web site: http://www.ada.org. $10.00, plus shipping and handling.

SYNOPSSES OF STATE AND TERRITORIAL DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS


This report contains synopses of state and territorial dental public health programs in the following summary sections: (1) demographics, (2) infrastructure, (3) work force, (4) administration, (5) programs, and (6) Healthy People/Healthy States 2010. It also includes synopses for participating states and jurisdic-
tions, the synopsis questionnaire, and an evaluation form for states to use to comment about the questionnaire used to collect data for the synopses. Statistical and program-comparison data are presented in tables throughout the report.

Contact: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, 322 Cannondale Road, Jefferson City, MO 65109. Telephone: (573) 636-0453; fax: (573) 636-0453; e-mail: astdd@socket.net; Web site: http://www.astdd.org. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www2.cdc.gov/nccdphp/doh/synopses/index.asp.

TRENDS IN DENTAL EDUCATION 2000: THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF THE DENTAL PROFESSION AND THE PEOPLE IT SERVES


This report highlights the trends that have shaped dental education and will continue to shape it in the future. Trends are surveyed in three major areas: among dental patients, among dental professionals, and among key elements of dental education. Data on trends are taken from numerous surveys performed by the publisher on dental education, salaries, student financial assistance, clinic fees and revenues, and faculty shortage. Trends are viewed over time and are benchmarked against societal trends. Extensive statistical data are presented in charts, graphs, tables, and maps throughout the report.

Contact: American Dental Education Association, 1625 Massachusetts Avenue, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20036-2212. Telephone: (202) 667-9433; fax: (202) 667-0642; e-mail: adea@adea.org; Web site: http://www.adea.org. $25.00, members; $50.00, non-members.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

ARIZONA DENTAL SEALANT PROGRAM: PROVIDER MANUAL—POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL-BASED PROVIDERS


This manual is intended as a guide and resource for practitioners using the school-based Arizona Dental Sealant Program and is designed to accompany annual in-service training sessions. Included in the manual are program policies and a procedural guide for all clinical aspects of this statewide program. Sections 1 and 2 describe the roles played by the dentist and the assistant in dental screening. Section 3 addresses the team responsibilities in providing dental sealant treatments. Sections 4, 5, and 6 include sample forms, information on policies and procedures, and other reference materials.

Contact: Lisa Phillips. Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Oral Health, 1740 West Adams Street, State Health Building, Room 10, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Telephone: (602) 542-1866; fax: (602) 542-2936; e-mail: lphilli@hs.state.az.us; Web site: http://www.hs.state.az.us/cfhs/ooh. Photocopy available at no charge.

BEST PRACTICES IN DENTAL EDUCATION 2001


This report contains examples of 50 best practices in dental education from 21 dental schools in the United States and Canada. It is intended for use as a resource in dental school education planning. The examples are organized into eight categories: community outreach; education; faculty recruitment, development, and retention; information technology; relations with the academic health center or with the parent institution; relations with the practicing community; research; and strategic management. Each of the 50 examples includes the name of the program, an outline of the best practice, a description of outcomes, and the point of contact for more information.
CHILDREN’S DENTAL HEALTH NEEDS AND SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES: A FACT SHEET


This fact sheet provides information on the need for school-based dental screening and services. Two bar charts illustrate the statistics on racial disparities in untreated tooth decay for children and adolescents. References are included. The reverse side of the printed version contains another fact sheet on children’s mental health needs, disparities, and school-based services; the two fact sheets are available separately on the Web.

Contact: Center for Health and Health Care in Schools, 1350 Connecticut Avenue, Suite 505, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 466-3396; fax: (202) 466-3467; e-mail: chhcs@gwu.edu; Web site: http://www.healthinschools.org. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthinschools.org/cfk/dentfact.asp.

CITRUS RELATED DENTAL EROSION


This paper discusses the relationship between excessive sucking or chewing on citrus fruits and dental erosion. Photographs illustrating the information are included. The paper discusses the safe consumption of citrus fruits and explains how dental health professionals can counsel patients to prevent dental erosion.

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COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH PRACTICE FOR THE DENTAL HYgienist


The purpose of this book is to provide dental hygiene students with relevant information on community oral health. Chapter topics include public health, careers in public health for the dental hygienist, assessment in the community, measuring progress in oral health, oral health programs in the community, research, health promotion and health communication, social responsibility, and test-taking strategies and community cases. Each chapter concludes with a summary, a knowledge-application section, and a list of chapter-specific dental hygiene competencies. The appendices include lists of Web sites, community resources, dental hygiene competencies, potential community partners, and resources for community health assessment (with examples). The book concludes with a glossary and an index.


DENTAL SERVICES FOR AMERICAN INDIANS AND ALASKA NATIVES: 1990–2000


This report chronicles the progress and challenges faced by American Indian/Alaska Native people and those who serve them in the realm of oral health care delivery, focusing on 1990–2000. The report provides an outline of American Indian/Alaska Native demographics, population, socioeconomic status, culture, and health status; a history of dental service; an overview of dental program administration; and highlights of area dental programs. The report concludes with lessons of the past, implications for the future, and future challenges. Statistical data are presented in graphs and charts.


This bibliography was prepared in support of the National Institutes of Health Consensus Development Conference on Diagnosis and Management of Dental Caries Throughout Life, held on March 26–28, 2001, in Bethesda, Maryland. The bibliography consists primarily of citations for journal articles written in English and published between 1980 and 2000; some other types of publications such as conference papers have been included, as well as some foreign-language articles. Sections are presented in three main categories: diagnosis, indicators of risk and other etiologic factors, and prevention and treatment of dental caries. Section 1 includes clinical and radiographic diagnosis and diagnosis of root and secondary caries. Section 2 discusses indicators such as sociological and behavior determinants, nutrition and diet, cariogenic infection, inherited risks, and other risks. Topics in section 3 include fluoride, sealants, plaque, antimicrobial agents, salivary enhancers, sweeteners, behavior modification, and methods of prevention and treatment.


GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOL ORAL HEALTH SCREENINGS


This manual provides an overview of the oral health screening program in Montana schools. Topics include why screenings are important, who performs screenings, who should be screened, steps and forms needed for coordinating and performing screenings, and a review of oral health concepts. The appendices contain sample press/parent announcements, a screening form, and a results form for parents.

**Contact:** Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, 1400 Broadway, Helena, MT 59620-0901. Telephone: (406) 444-0276; fax: (406) 444-2606; Web site: http://www.dphhs.state.mt.us. Available at no charge.

HEALTHY SMILE, HAPPY CHILD: EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES PREVENTION


This training aid/kit contains materials on early childhood caries prevention and fluoride varnish, including a brochure, anticipatory guidance curriculum, and presenter manuals. The anticipatory guidance curriculum includes schedules (prenatal to 24 months) and resources for oral health care. The accompanying presenter manual includes class objectives, an outline, and participation notes, as well as camera-ready copies for making PowerPoint slides, and a post-training evaluation form. A separate manual provides information for health professionals on fluoride varnish application, as well as parent information and consent forms (in English and Spanish). [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

**Contact:** Christine Forsch. Nevada Bureau of Family Health Services, Maternal and Child Health, Nevada Health Division, 505 East King Street, Room 200, Carson City, NV 89701-4792. Telephone: (775) 684-4285; fax: (775) 684-4245. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://health2k.state.nv.us/oral/SpecialFolder/AG%20Manual%20.pdf (anticipatory guidance); http://health2k.state.nv.us/oral/SpecialFolder/English%20PP%20slides.ppt (presenter manual); http://health2k.state.nv.us/oral/FVMANual.pdf (fluoride varnish manual); http://health2k.state.nv.us/oral/ECCBrochure.pdf (brochure).
OPEN WIDE: ORAL HEALTH TRAINING FOR NON-DETERAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PROVIDERS

This curriculum is designed for the oral health training of non-dental health and human services providers, including physicians, nurses, nutritionists, child care workers, and others. It is divided into five lessons: dental decay, early childhood caries, risk factors for dental decay, prevention, and what to do and how to do it. Each lesson consists of a statement of purpose, a lesson overview, learning goals, training session methods and activities, technical and factual information for developing lesson plans, and key terms. A glossary of terms is included. Appendices include materials such as sample educational brochures; printed PowerPoint presentation slides; a laminated reference chart; screening checklist labels; a CD-ROM; and two videotapes, one in English and one in Spanish, titled “Baby Teeth: Love ‘Em and Lose ‘Em.” A directory of towns in Connecticut with fluoridated public water supply systems is also included.

Contact: Stanton Wolfe or Pamela Painter, Connecticut Department of Health, Oral Health Unit, 410 Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308. Telephone: (860) 509-7809; fax: (860) 509-7720; e-mail: stanton.wolfe@po.state.ct.us; Web site: http://66.216.69.71/test.publications_reports.html.

OPEN WIDE AND TREK INSIDE

This module is designed for elementary school teachers and is meant to complement existing life science curricula in oral health at both state and local levels and to be consistent with the National Science Education Standards. The module’s goals are to help students understand a set of basic scientific principles related to oral health, to experience the process of scientific inquiry and develop an enhanced understanding of the scientific methods, and to recognize the role of science in society and the relationship between basic science and human health. The six lessons in this module are (1) what do mouths do? (2) open wide—what’s inside? (3) let’s investigate tooth decay, (4) what lives inside your mouth? (5) what keeps your mouth healthy? and (6) what have you learned about the mouth? The module is organized into the following sections: (1) implementing the module, (2) using the CD-ROM, (3) using the student lessons, and (4) the student lessons. Additional sections contain resources for teachers, a glossary, references, and reproducible masters in English and Spanish. The enclosed CD-ROM contains an introduction to the National Institutes of Health; videotape clips, animations, and interactive games required to teach various activities within the lessons; supplemental animations for enhancing students’ understanding of concepts presented in the print materials, and printable files of the module.

Contact: National Institutes of Health, Office of Science Education, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Room 700, Bethesda, MD 20817-1814. Telephone: (301) 402-2469; fax: (301) 402-3034; e-mail: ose@science.education.nih.gov; Web site: http://science.education.nih.gov. Available at no charge. ISBN 1-929614-04-7; NIH 00-4869. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://science.education.nih.gov/customers.nsf/ESDental?OpenForm&CS_21=false&.
ORAL HEALTH AND ARTS AND CRAFTS: A GUIDE FOR LEADERS WORKING WITH CHILDREN


This manual is designed to help leaders talk about oral health and nutrition while children participate in arts and crafts projects. The manual is divided into seven sections: (1) oral health information for the leader, (2) projects at a glance, (3) project instructions, (4) other activities for children, (5) resources, (6) take-home handouts, and (7) additional teaching aids. Projects include puppets, frames, paintings, garlands, clay creations, and masks. Resources include a list of children's books in English and Spanish, a list of Web sites, and content for newsletters. Reproducible art and handouts are included. An order form and an evaluation form are enclosed in the binder.

Contact: Peggy Yamagata. Share the Care, Dental Health Initiative of San Diego, San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency, P.O. Box 85222, Mailstop P511H, San Diego, CA 92186-5222. Telephone: (619) 692-8858; fax: (619) 692-8827; e-mail: contact@sharethecaredental.org; Web site: http://www.sharethecaredental.org. $35.00 (includes shipping and handling); may be ordered from the Web site.

ORAL HEALTH EDUCATIONAL TOOLS AND RESOURCES


This resource list was produced by the Healthy Schools! Healthy Kids! Oral Health Initiative, a joint project of the Rhode Island Department of Health and the Rhode Island Department of Education, to support efforts in teaching children and families the importance of oral health. The guide contains a list of numerous oral health education materials, including books, videotapes, pamphlets, brochures, and Web sites. The document is divided into three main sections: (1) resources for teachers, (2) resources for families and the general public, and (3) resources for children and adolescents. The information was collected from a variety of sources and includes a description and target age.

Contact: Kathryn Alexander. Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board, Northwest Tribal Dental Support Center, The EpiCenter, 527 Southwest Hall Street, Suite 300, Portland, OR 97201. Telephone: (503) 228-4185; fax: (503) 228-8182; e-mail: kalexander@npaihb.org; Web site: http://www.npaihb.org/epi/dental/dental.htm. Available at no charge.

ORAL HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION MANUAL


This manual is designed for providers of oral health services to Native American tribes in the Portland, Oregon, region. It outlines clinic-based and community-based prevention-program elements. The first section focuses on individualized prevention planning, chemotherapeutics for preventing dental caries, fluorides, sealants, dietary counseling, oral hygiene instruction and prophylaxis, periodontal disease prevention, and prevention of oral and pharyngeal cancers. The second section addresses community-based approaches in medical staff training, water fluoridation, school-based fluoride and sealant programs, and early-childhood-caries-prevention programs. References, resources, charts, checklists, and promotional materials are also provided.

Contact: Kathryn Alexander. Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board, Northwest Tribal Dental Support Center, The EpiCenter, 527 Southwest Hall Street, Suite 300, Portland, OR 97201. Telephone: (503) 228-4185; fax: (503) 228-8182; e-mail: kalexander@npaihb.org; Web site: http://www.npaihb.org/epi/dental/dental.htm. Available at no charge.

ORAL MANAGEMENT OF PEDIATRIC PATIENTS FOR NON-DENTAL PROFESSIONALS: A STUDY GUIDE

This study guide for allied health professionals focuses on oral health for the infant, preschool-age child, and young school-age child. Chapter topics include oral health and general health, oral disease, common pediatric oral pathology, infant and toddler oral health management, preventive strategy, nutritive and non-nutritive sucking, oral injuries, children with special health care needs, and additional topics (the adolescent patient, orthodontic interventions, sports and oral health, tooth-bleaching techniques, dental radiographs, and behavior-management techniques). Appendices include professional recommendations for preventive dental care, anticipatory guidance for pediatric oral health, and guidelines for prescribing dental radiographs and behavior management. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]


PEDIATRIC DENTAL TRAUMA CARD


This card is intended to serve as a visual reference guide on common injuries to primary and permanent teeth in children and adolescents for general, pediatric, family, and emergency room physicians; nurse practitioners; and children and adolescents and their families. It includes pictures of discolored, displaced, fractured, and avulsed teeth, as well as brief treatment descriptions.

Contact: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 700, Chicago, IL 60611-2663. Telephone: (312) 337-2169; fax: (312) 337-6329; e-mail: aapdinfo@aapd.org; Web site: http://www.aapd.org. $9.50, members; $12.50, non-members (cost per pack of 10; sold in packs of 10 only).

PRINCIPLES OF ORAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT FOR THE HIV/AIDS PATIENT


This publication for dental professionals presents oral health guidelines from a continuing education conference by the Dental Alliance for AIDS/HIV Care and the American Dental Association in 1994. Chapter topics include the health history and review of HIV-related medically relevant information, special considerations for dental patients with HIV/AIDS, oral manifestations of HIV infections, management and evaluation of occupational exposure to bloodborne pathogens and tuberculosis, and psychosocial and ethical issues related to dental care of these patients. Additional topics include general treatment planning, therapy considerations, and a review of policies and recommendations on exposure to bloodborne pathogens and tuberculosis.

Contact: HRSA Information Center, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182-2536. Telephone: (888) ASK-HRSA (275-4772), (877) 474-4772; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: ask@hrsa.gov; Web site: http://www.ask.hrsa.gov. Available at no charge. Document code: HAB 00230. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.critpath.org/daac/standards.html.

PROJECT: PREVENTION! EARLY CHILDHOOD CAVITIES PREVENTION PROVIDER TRAINING MANUAL


This manual contains materials from Project: PREVENTION! workshops on early childhood caries prevention that were held in Oregon for dentists and pediatric, obstetric, and family practice physicians. Topics include an overview of the project, early childhood caries prevention guidelines and tools for dental care organizations, medical and dental assessment documentation, prevention and effective family education, making referrals to a dental professional, dental techniques, pharmaceutical product information, project implementation and resources, and additional support materials and journal articles.
CONSUMER EDUCATION

THE 8 STEPS OF A GOOD ORAL CANCER EXAM

This pocket-sized brochure, intended for consumers, lists eight steps of a good oral health exam. In addition, it presents the main risk factors for oral cancer, gives recommendations for exams, and provides a table for keeping track of previous oral cancer exams.

Contact: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center, Georgetown University, Box 571272, Washington, DC 20057-1272. Telephone: (202) 784-9771; fax: (202) 784-9777; e-mail: info@mchoralhealth.org; Web site: http://www.mchoralhealth.org. Photocopy available at no charge.

BABY BOTTLE TOOTH DECAY “CHARCOAL TOOTH”

This laminated flip chart is culturally relevant to Hmong community members. It includes color photographs that illustrate the cause of early childhood caries (baby bottle tooth decay) and offer preventive strategies. Brief accompanying text is written in both English and Hmong.

Contact: Maureen Oostdik-Hurd. Madison Department of Public Health, 2705 East Washington Avenue, Madison, WI 53704. Telephone: (608) 294-5270, (608) 294-5270; fax: (608) 246-5619, (608) 246-5619; e-mail: moostdil@ci.madison.us; Web site: http://www.ci.madison.wi.us/health. $35.00.

BAXTER’S ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN: DENTAL HEALTH AND NUTRITION
This activity book teaches children about oral health through healthy dental and nutritional habits. It contains coloring pages, reading exercises, puzzles, and other games. Pages can be photocopied.  

Contact: Peggy Yamagata. Share the Care, Dental Health Initiative of San Diego, San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency, P.O. Box 85222, Mailstop P511H, San Diego, CA 92186-5222. Telephone: (619) 692-8858; fax: (619) 692-8827; e-mail: contact@sharethecaredental.org; Web site: http://www.sharethecaredental.org. $9.95 (includes shipping and handling)

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**BRUSH UP ON HEALTHY TEETH: SIMPLE STEPS FOR KIDS’ SMILES**


This information package contains materials on pediatric oral health tips to assist parents in taking care of their children's teeth, as well as aid in teaching proper dental habits. The package includes a press release, flyer, poster, and parent quiz. Contact information for ordering copies of the package, as well as for finding more information on oral health and the benefits of fluoride, are included. This package was disseminated by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in observation of National Children's Dental Health Month (February).  

Contact: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health, 4770 Buford Highway, N.E., Mailstop F-10, Atlanta, GA 30341-3717. Telephone: (770) 488-6054; e-mail: ccdinfo@cdc.gov; Web site: http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cdc.gov/OralHealth/factsheets/brushup.htm.

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**HAVING AN ORAL CANCER EXAM**


This brochure provides information for patients on oral cancer exams. It addresses key questions, such as why an oral cancer exam is important, how often to have an oral cancer exam, and who can perform an oral cancer exam. The brochure defines oral cancer, describes early signs of oral cancer, and presents information on the causes of oral cancer. Contact information for the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Office of Oral Health is also included.  

Contact: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center, Georgetown University, Box 571272, Washington, DC 20057-1272. Telephone: (202) 784-9771; fax: (202) 784-9777; e-mail: info@mchoralhealth.org; Web site: http://www.mchoralhealth.org. Photo copy available at no charge.

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**LOOK MOM—NO CAVITIES!: A BOOK ON HOW TO RAISE A CAVITY-FREE CHILD (2ND ED.)**


This book for consumers discusses the importance of keeping young children's teeth cavity free, and strategies for doing so. Topics include advances in dental technology, lowering and fighting bacteria levels, early childhood caries, choosing toothpaste and toothbrushes, flossing techniques, food choices, fluoride, dental sealants, and partnering with the dentist. The final chapter contains several checklists about what dentists and parents can do to help keep the teeth of children of different ages cavity free. The book concludes with an index.  


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**LOOK MOM—NO CAVITIES!: A VIDEO DESIGNED TO HELP RAISE A CAVITY-FREE CHILD**

This videotape, narrated by Gregory F. George, D.D.S., provides information to parents on how to avoid tooth decay in children. The videotape (1) describes the reasons for striving to raise a cavity-free child (e.g., avoiding pain, infection, unsightly appearance, and skeletal damage), (2) explains how cavities form, (3) describes how to prevent cavities from forming, (4) demonstrates how dental sealants are applied, (5) discusses early childhood caries, (6) demonstrates how to brush and floss, (8) discusses how to choose a toothbrush, (9) demonstrates how to clean teeth with braces, and (10) includes a question-and-answer session addressing some common concerns parents have about children’s oral health.

Contact: Patricia Green, PDC Press, Box 548, Buffalo, NY 14231. Telephone: (888) 292-1991; fax: (716) 633-2435; e-mail: pdpress@lookmom.com; Web site: http://www.lookmom.com. $14.95, plus shipping and handling; may be ordered from the Web site at http://www.lookmom.com/order.html. ISBN 0-9662475-4-X.

MILK MATTERS FOR YOUR CHILD’S HEALTHY MOUTH


This illustrated booklet provides information about calcium and about how parents can include milk and other calcium-rich foods in their child’s diet. It presents basic facts about calcium and what it does for the body, explains how much calcium a child needs based on age, and gives examples of where children can get calcium. It also describes what kind of milk is best for each age group, explains how to read food nutrition labels with children in mind, and lists meal and snack ideas focusing on calcium. Additional tips for keeping a child’s mouth healthy are included.

Contact: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 3006, Rockville, MD 20847. Telephone: (800) 370-2943; fax: (301) 496-7101; e-mail: NICHDClearinghouse@mail.nih.gov; Web site: http://www.nichd.nih.gov. Available at no charge. NIH 01-4523. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.nichd.nih.gov/milk/milk_matters.pdf.

SHOW ME YOUR SMILE!


This dental-health-promotion kit includes a flip chart, brochure, and magnet. These materials are aimed at parents. They provide information on the development of dentition in infants and young children as well as on basic oral health care during pregnancy and early childhood (birth through age 5). Information on tooth decay and the importance of preventive treatment (e.g., the use of fluoride and fluoride varnish) to children’s dental health is also included.

Contact: Missouri Primary Care Association, Coalition for Oral Health Access, 3325 Emerald Lane, Jefferson City, MO 65109. Telephone: (573) 636-4222; fax: (573) 636-4585; e-mail: info@mo-pca.org; Web site: http://www.mo-pca.org/oralhealth.htm. Contact for cost information.

WATCH YOUR MOUTH


This information package for the Washington state oral health awareness campaign, a campaign designed...
for children and adolescents, includes brochures, posters, stickers, a sample policy summary, a sample press release, fact sheets, flyers, memos, talking points, scripts for public service advertisements, and a list of campaign founding members.


WOMEN'S ORAL HEALTH

IMPROVING WOMEN'S HEALTH AND PERINATAL OUTCOMES: SNAPSHOT OF THE IMPACT OF ORAL DISEASES


This two-page brief discusses questions specific to women's oral health. Topics include oral and reproductive health and the role of women's hormones; the status of women's oral health and access to dental care services; and potential strategies for improving women's oral health status. References complete this brief. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: HRSA Information Center, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182-2536. Telephone: (888) ASK-HRSA (275-4772), (877) 474-4772; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: ask@hrsa.gov; Web site: http://www.ask.hrsa.gov. Available at no charge. Document code: MCH00013. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.jhsp.edu/wchpc/pub/oralbrief.pdf.

WOMEN'S ORAL HEALTH


The intent of this issue of Women's Oral Health is to present practicing dental professionals with evidence-based, clinically relevant information that will enhance their awareness of the emerging interest in women’s oral health and improve the delivery of care to female dental patients. The sequence of topics follows a developmental perspective, beginning with maternal oral health and anticipatory guidance for children, continuing with the changes associated with menarche and adolescence through adulthood, and concluding with the changes associated with female aging. Specific topics include genetic influences on women’s oral health, maternal and psychosocial issues, the effects of eating disorders, the needs of athletes and special needs populations, esthetic facial surgery, and the implications of women’s health issues on medical and dental school curricula.

WOMEN’S ORAL HEALTH RESOURCE GUIDE


This resource guide provides information with the aim of improving oral health guidance and care for women. It is divided into three sections. The first lists journal articles appearing between 1998 and 2001. The second describes educational materials, including books, reports, surveys, manuals, pamphlets, and brochures. The third lists professional organizations and federal agencies that may serve as resources. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau].

**Contact:** HRSA Information Center, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182-2536. Telephone: (888) ASK-HRSA (275-4772), (877) 474-4772; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: ask@hrsa.gov; Web site: http://www.ask.hrsa.gov. Available at no charge. Document code: MCH N105A. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/WomensResourceGuide.pdf.

MEDICAID AND SCHIP

ALASKA’S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS:
MEDICAID, DENALI KIDCARE, CAMA


This booklet for the public includes an overview of Alaska’s medical assistance program and serves as a guideline to help individuals determine whether they should apply for coverage. It includes three sections. Section 1 discusses the Medicaid program: eligibility, the application process, and services covered by the program. Section 2 outlines the state program Denali Kid Care, a health insurance program for children and adolescents from birth through age 18 and for pregnant women who meet income guidelines. Section 3 provides an overview of the state program CAMA (Chronic Acute Medical Assistance) designed to help Alaskans who may not qualify for Medicaid receive urgent health care.

**Contact:** Barbara Hale. Alaska Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, Alaska Office Building, P.O. Box 110600, Juneau, AK 99811. Telephone: (907) 465-3090, (800) 811-7470, (907) 465-5833; fax: (907) 465-2204; e-mail: barbara_hale@health.state.ak.us; Web site: http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dma. Available at no charge. Also available from the Web site at no charge at http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dma/PDF/2000version.pdf.

BENEFITS GUIDE TO WYOMING KID CARE HEALTH PLANS


This booklet explains the health benefits available through Wyoming Kid Care Health Plans and provides additional information about the program. It includes information on the Wyoming Kid Care program, private health insurance and program eligibility, the equality care card, using the health care plan, out-of-state coverage, program benefits and services provided and not covered, the program renewal process, and Health Check—the immunization and well-child checkup. The booklet also includes a health information chart, information on eligibility, and contact information.

**Contact:** Wyoming Department of Health, Community and Family Health Division, Kid Care, 2424 Pioneer Avenue, Suite 100, Cheyenne, WY 82002. Telephone: (888) 996-8786; Web site: http://kidcare.state.wy.us. Available from the Web site at no charge at http://kidcare.state.wy.us/guides/BenefitsGuide.pdf.

CHILDREN’S HEALTH UNDER MEDICAID: A NATIONAL REVIEW OF EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT

This chart book provides an overview of the successes and shortcomings of the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) program and notes some of the innovative methods being tried across the country to improve children's health through EPSDT.

The contents provide an overview of EPSDT, a discussion of the value of preventive care, the scope of EPSDT, EPSDT reporting requirements, the importance of EPSDT data, the accuracy of EPSDT data, a summary of findings, innovations and recommendations, national trends, state profiles, and state charts. The appendices provide the methodology, Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) instructions, and HCFA Form 416. An addendum dated September 2001 supplements the chart book and presents Form 416 data from FY 1997 and FY 1998.

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. $35.00 (1998 publication); $15.00 (2001 addendum). Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthlaw.org/pubs/child1998healthxsum.html (executive summary only).

**COMPARING PHYSICIAN AND DENTIST FEES AMONG MEDICAID PROGRAMS**


This study compares fee-for-service payment rates for medical and dental care in the Medi-Cal program to the rates paid by every other state's Medicaid program and contrasts states' fees as a percentage of Medicare's average allowed charge. The study is divided into eight sections, including an executive summary that discuss the methodology of the survey used, the participants, and the results. The survey instrument is provided as the first appendix. Other appendices include notes on the fee-selection process for each state, charts on baseline Medicaid fee data for each state, and an overview of state-specific rankings, which is also presented in chart format.


**ELEMENTS OF EFFECTIVE ACTION TO IMPROVE ORAL HEALTH AND ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE FOR CONNECTICUT’S CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**


This report evaluates HUSKY (Connecticut’s State Children’s Health Insurance Program [SCHIP] and Medicaid program) dental benefits for children from families with low and moderate incomes. The report includes an executive summary, a vision of oral health and dental care from conception to adulthood, and a discussion of strategies for improving oral health in Connecticut. Topics include quantifying access problems in dental care; reaching those in need; and dental system reform goals, principles, elements, and strategies. There are two appendices, the first of which provides background materials on oral health policy, an environmental scan for the United States and Connecticut, a discussion of the burden of dental disease, a discussion of financing dental care through Medicaid and SCHIP, and examples and elements of state action plans. The second appendix focuses on strategic working documents for the work force, systems capacity and integration, financing, and the various public health programs in Connecticut.

Contact: Connecticut Health Foundation, 270 Farmington Avenue, Suite 357, Farmington, CT 06032. Telephone: (860) 409-7773; fax: (860) 409-7763; e-mail: nancy@cthealth.org; Web site: http://www.cthealth.org. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cthealth.org/site/health.htm.

**FEE-FOR-SERVICE CONSUMER HANDBOOK**


This handbook for consumers provides information on health care services offered under Pennsylvania’s Medical Assistance Fee-for-Service Program. The handbook answers questions on which services are covered, who offers the services, which services require out-of-pocket fees, and how services are approved.
Information is also provided on where participants can turn for help, including information on what to do if they are not satisfied with program services. The appendix includes information on health care benefits packages and points of contact, as well as helpful hints for health professionals.

Contact: Ed McCurdy. Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, Office of Medical Assistance Programs, Bureau of Fee-for-Service Programs, P.O. Box 8045, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8045. Telephone: (717) 787-1870; e-mail: emccurdy@state.pa.us; Web site: http://www.dpw.state.pa.usomap. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/omap/recinf/ffsch/omapffschcov.asp.

MEDICAID DENTAL PROGRAM

Nebraska Health and Human Services System. 2001. Medicaid dental program. Lincoln, NE: Nebraska Health and Human Services System. 1 videotape (7 minutes, VHS 1/2 inch), 1 card.

This videotape, designed for program enrollees, describes important features of the Nebraska Medicaid Dental Program and Kids Connection and explains which dental services the programs cover entirely or partially. The videotape is narrated by a mother with a young child, a doctor, a dental office staff person, and a dentist, each describing different aspects of how people can work effectively with a dentist and what they can expect during a dental visit. The videotape emphasizes making clients feel comfortable about going to the dentist and clarifying how they can take responsibility for their dental health (e.g., by brushing and flossing, by following the dentist’s instructions, by calling to cancel appointments if necessary). The videotape also provides statistics about percentages of people who do not receive dental care nationally and in the state of Nebraska. A companion promotional card in the shape of a baby bottle gives tips on infant oral health care.

Contact: Kimberly McFarland. Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Dental Health Division, 301 Centennial Mall South, Third Floor, P.O. Box 95007, Lincoln, NE 68509-5007. Telephone: (402) 471-0166; fax: (402) 471-0383; e-mail: kim.mcfarland@hhss.state.ne.us; Web site: http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/deh/index.htm. Single copies available at no charge.

MEDICAID DENTAL PROVIDER RECRUITMENT LETTER


This information package contains materials disseminated by the Indiana Dental Association to dentists within the state of Indiana and surrounding states to encourage participation in the Indiana Health Coverage Program Medicaid Program. The package includes a letter that identifies reasons given by dentists in a 1997 survey for not participating in the program and lists all the changes made as a result. In addition, a list of Medicaid rates for various procedures for the years 1997 and 1998 are provided.

Contact: Connie J. Pitner. Indiana Dental Association, 401 West Michigan Street, Suite 1000, P.O. Box 2467, Indianapolis, IN 46206-2467. Telephone: (317) 634-2610, (317) 488-5103; fax: (317) 634-2612; Web site: http://www.indental.org. Available at no charge.

MEDICAID FEE-FOR-SERVICE HANDBOOK


This brochure explains how to obtain care under the Michigan Medicaid program for participants who are not enrolled in a health plan. The brochure includes information on specific services covered by the Medicaid program, including nonemergency transportation, emergency room care, and services that require additional out-of-pocket fees. It also includes information on Medicaid health care programs (e.g., well-child care), participant rights and responsibilities under the Medicaid program, and how to get answers to questions or ask for help.

Contact: Michigan Department of Community Health, Lewis Cass Building, Sixth Floor, 320 South Walton Street, Lansing, MI 48913. Telephone: (517) 373-3500, (800) 642-3195, (517) 373-3573; e-mail: arias@michigan.org; Web site: http://www.michigan.gov/mdch. Available at no charge.
**MEDICAID HEALTH CARE COVERAGE**


This brochure for consumers explains how to obtain care under the Michigan Medicaid program. The brochure outlines the differences between Medicaid and Medicare and includes information about services available, how to apply, how to qualify, and how to find additional information.

**Contact:** Michigan Department of Community Health, Lewis Cass Building, Sixth Floor, 320 South Walnut Street, Lansing, MI 48913. Telephone: (517) 373-3500, (800) 642-3195, (517) 373-3573; e-mail: arias@michigan.org; Web site: http://www.michigan.gov/mdch. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.michigan.gov/documents/MedicaidCoveragebrochure_15697_7.pdf.

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**WHAT IS MEDICAID?: A GUIDE TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**


This booklet for the public is a guide to the Medicaid services and benefits available in Idaho. It includes information on where to apply for Medicaid in Idaho; the differences and similarities between Medicaid, Medicare, and the State Children’s Health Insurance Program; the Idaho Medicaid managed care program, Healthy Connections; Medicaid services and limits; and patient rights. Also provided are lists of state administrative offices, regional Medicaid offices, Healthy Connections representatives, regional mental health authorities, and helpful phone numbers.

**Contact:** Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, 450 West State Street, Boise, ID 83720. Telephone: (208) 334-5500; Web site: http://www2.state.id.us/dhw. Available at no charge.

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**PROMISING PRACTICES ISSUE BRIEF: INCREASING DENTISTS’ PARTICIPATION IN MEDICAID AND SCHIP**


This report focuses on the issue of access to dental care by children and families with low incomes. Topics include dentists’ participation in Medicaid, the supply of providers, barriers to dentists’ participation, reimbursement rates, administrative simplification, outreach for dental providers, and expanding the use of dental hygienists. Oral health questionnaires from Medicaid and the State Children’s Health Insurance Program are provided, as are reference notes.

**Contact:** National Conference of State Legislatures, 7700 East First Place, Denver, CO 80230. Telephone: (303) 364-7700; fax: (303) 364-7800; e-mail: books@ncsl.org; Web site: http://www.ncsl.org. $15.00. ISBN 1-58024-162-X. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.ncsl.org/programs/health/forum/oralhealth.htm.

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**YOUR GUIDE TO MEDICAID**


This booklet for Iowans explains what Medicaid covers and how to use the program. It includes information on health professionals, co-payment, prescription drug coverage, and other services commonly used by health care consumers. Also provided is an overview of the Medicaid managed care program (MediPASS), a list of toll-free-hotline numbers, and a discussion of patient rights.

**Contact:** Iowa Department of Human Services, Hoover State Office Building, Fifth Floor, Des Moines, IA 50319. Telephone: (515) 281-8477; Web site: http://www.dhs.state.ia.us. Available at no charge.

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**YOUR GUIDE TO PATIENT 1ST: HEALTH CARE CLOSE TO HOME**

This brochure describes Patient 1st, Alabama’s Medicaid managed care program, and explains how it works. Tips for program participants on how to access health care, including how to obtain referrals and make appointments with health professionals, are provided. The brochure also presents information on participant rights and duties, doctor’s office or clinic rules, and emergency room guidelines. Self-care information, such as how and when to call a doctor and how and when to take medicine, is also included.


POLICY AND PROGRAMS

ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE FOR CHILDREN IN RHODE ISLAND


This issue brief covers issues related to access to dental care for children in Rhode Island. It includes information on (1) the effect of inadequate care, (2) children at greatest risk for unmet dental needs, (3) availability of dental services for children receiving medical assistance, (4) dental services for Rhode Island children, and (5) strategies to improve access to dental services for low-income children in Rhode Island. Recommendations for program goals and measuring success, as well as references, are also included. Statistics are presented in charts and graphs throughout the report.

Contact: Rhode Island Kids Count, One Union Station, Providence, RI 02903. Telephone: (401) 351-9400; fax: (401) 351-1758; e-mail: rkids@rikidscount.org; Web site: http://www.rikidscount.org/rikc. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.rikidscount.org/rike.asp?pn=dental+brief+May+2002+update%2Epdf.

ACTIVITY REPORT


This report describes the local dental health initiative in Arlington, Texas—the Alan Saxe Dental Clinic and the SMILES program. The SMILES program began as a pilot program in two local elementary schools in which most of the students are from families with low incomes. The program started with volunteer dental professionals providing students with oral screening and education, a new toothbrush, and dental sealants, which were applied at the school with portable equipment. The report includes a list of members of the board of directors, the program mission statement, a narrative history of Dental Health for Arlington, an organization chart for the clinic and program, a chronological history and list of accomplishments from 1992 to 1999, a statistical report on the program’s annual growth, and program information for the clinic and the SMILES program. Additional statistical tables and press articles on the program and collaborators are also included.

Contact: Gail Hollar. Dental Health for Arlington, P.O. Box 1542, Arlington, TX 76010. Telephone: (817) 277-1165, (617) 277-6620; fax: (817) 277-9505, (617) 277-3388; e-mail: dentalhealth@juno.com, missionarl@aol.com; Web site: http://www.dentalhealtharlington.org. Contact for cost information.

ADDRESSING ORAL HEALTH NEEDS: A HOW-TO GUIDE


This guide briefly profiles different types of oral health programs in the United States. Its purpose is to give organizations and communities ideas for extending current programs or starting new oral health initiatives. The guide highlights successes and challenges for addressing oral health needs on a community level in the following sections: (1) school-based programs, (2) mobile programs, (3) a clinic established in hospital and community health centers, (4) referral programs, (5) volunteer programs, (6) coalitions, and (7) population targeted programs. Each section presents information on program startup and history, service provision, target population and location, administration, budget, achievements and obstacles, and program contact information.

BLACK HAWK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL-BASED DENTAL SEALANT PROGRAM

Black Hawk County Health Department. 2001. Black Hawk County Health Department school-based dental sealant program. 3 items.

This information package includes implementation materials for Iowa’s Black Hawk County school-based dental sealant program. Materials include (1) a parent consent form, (2) a parent acknowledgement letter, and (3) a sealant application/retention record.

Contact: Joan L. Gilpin. Black Hawk County Health Department, Pinecrest Building, Fifth Floor, 1407 Independence Avenue, Waterloo, IA 50703. Telephone: (319) 291-2413, (319) 239-6066; fax: (319) 291-2529; e-mail: publichealth@co.black-hawk.ia.us; Web site: http://www.co.black-hawk.ia.us/depts/health.html. Available at no charge.

CHILDREN’S ORAL HEALTH


This supplement to Ambulatory Pediatrics contains a series of six background papers commissioned by the planners of the March 2000 Surgeon General’s Workshop on Children and Oral Health to ensure that the diverse group of attendees was well informed about key issues in pediatric oral health and access to dental services. These papers address the topics of ethics, disparities, demographic and social trends, the dental work force, health systems, and strategic communications. The papers were used by attendees to develop an action-oriented agenda to eliminate disparities in children’s oral health and in their access to dental care.

Contact: Ambulatory Pediatric Association, 6728 Old McLean Village, McLean, VA 22101. Telephone: (703) 556-9222; fax: (703) 556-8729; e-mail: info@ambpeds.org; Web site: http://www.ambpeds.org. Contact for cost information.

DENTAL ACCESS PROGRAM MARKETING: HOW TO BUILD PUBLIC IMAGE AND PARTICIPATION


This manual offers dental access program administrators ideas for planning, developing, and implementing strong marketing strategies to improve contact with potential patients, providers, and referral sources to help reach more people with needed service. Topics include marketing, program planning, media relations, direct mail strategies, and volunteer recruitment and retention. The manual concludes with additional resources from the American Dental Association.

Contact: American Dental Association, Council on Access, Prevention, and Interprofessional Relations, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678. Telephone: (312) 440-2860; fax: (312) 440-4640; Web site: http://www.ada.org. $10.00, plus shipping and handling.

DENTAL PRACTICE OPPORTUNITIES IN DELAWARE


This recruitment packet from the Delaware Dental Society includes a copy of the dentist recruitment marketing plan as well as the marketing materials sent to potential candidates. These materials cover such topics as the economic advantages of relocating to Delaware, obtaining a license to practice dentistry, financial assistance for dentists locating to Delaware, dental practice opportunities in Delaware, and general information about Delaware.

Contact: Delaware Dental Society, 1925 Lovering Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19806. Telephone: (302) 654-4335; Available at no charge.
DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH: ILLINOIS INITIATIVE FOR DENTAL PUBLIC/COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT


This special issue provides the final report of the development of a “blueprint” plan for building the infrastructure necessary to ensure that Illinois citizens have a comprehensive oral health care system that promotes the prevention and control of oral health diseases and fosters the elimination of oral health disparities. The report discusses planning for community oral health infrastructure development and strategies and activities for initiating a statewide public health approach and priorities in oral health. The report includes an executive summary, conclusions and a call to action, and appendices on the consensus conference and infrastructure development project grids and action plans.

Contact: Dean M. Strassner. Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Oral Health, 535 West Jefferson Street, Room 500, Springfield, IL 62761. Telephone: (217) 785-4899, (800) 547-0466, (127) 785-4899; fax: (217) 524-2831, (217) 524-2831; e-mail: dstrassn@idph.state.il.us; Web site: http://www.idph.state.il.us/HealthWellness/oralhlth/home.htm. Available at no charge.

DENTAL SEALANTS: AN ORAL HEALTH PROJECT OF SAN YSIDRO HEALTH CENTER


This kit was developed for use in promoting and implementing the free school dental sealant program of the San Ysidro Health Center in San Ysidro, California. The kit includes a brochure describing the dental sealant program, forms for obtaining parental consent for dental exam and treatment (including follow-up preventive treatment), certificates for a free dental exam and dental sealant application, flyers for in-school program promotion and incentives, and a dental report card. All materials in the kit are written in English and Spanish.

Contact: Terry Whitaker. San Ysidro Health Center, 4004 Beyer Boulevard, San Ysidro, CA 92173. Telephone: (619) 205-6326, (619) 428-1330, ext. 38; fax: (619) 205-6330; e-mail: twhitaker@syhc.org; Web site: http://www.syhc.org. Available at no charge (on disk only).

DISPARITIES IN ORAL HEALTH


This report focuses on disparities in access to dental services and oral health care for diverse populations and identifies strategies for eliminating disparities within institutions of higher learning. The report presents information from census data and from the literature on dental care utilization among racially and ethnically diverse groups. It also presents information on barriers to oral health care and identifies strategies for eliminating disparities using culturally competent principles at the institutional, faculty, and student levels.


FILLING THE GAP: STRATEGIES FOR IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH


This issue brief is organized into two sections. Section 1 provides background information on oral disease, including a review of the burden of disease for society’s most vulnerable populations (children, the elderly, minorities, and families with low incomes), and identification of the unique factors that contribute to the oral health crisis. Section 2 illustrates a number of
strategies for improving oral health. It begins by presenting a conceptual framework that categorizes various interventions into three types of efforts: those aimed at improving oral health status, those focused on increasing access to dental care, and those oriented toward improving and maximizing the impact of public policy. Lastly, the current activities of federal and state governments, as well as those of the private and non-profit sectors (including foundations) are highlighted.

Contact: Grantmakers in Health, 1100 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 1200, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 452-8331; fax: (202) 452-8340; e-mail: nbacley@gih.org; Web site: http://www.gih.org. Contact for cost information.

FLUORIDE AWARENESS PROJECT


This fluoride-awareness packet is intended to provide health professionals in the state of Montana with information on state efforts to prevent dental disease. The packet includes the following: (1) historical data on the level of fluoride in Montana’s public water systems, (2) information on the benefits of fluoride, (3) a fluoride supplement schedule, (4) a list of Montana communities that add fluoride to their public water system, (5) a laboratory chemical analysis form for use in determining adequate fluoride supplementation for private water supply users, (6) an oral health facts and figures fact sheet, and (7) an oral health brochure and early childhood caries poster. The packet also contains fact sheets and brochures that provide dental care statistics for Montana.

Contact: Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, 1400 Broadway, Helena, MT 59620-0901. Telephone: (406) 444-0276; fax: (406) 444-2606; Web site: http://www.dphhs.state.mt.us. Contact for cost information.

GUIDELINES FOR STATE AND TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS (REV. ED.)


These revised guidelines are divided into four sections: current oral health issues, capacity and infrastructure, essential public health services to promote oral health in the United States, and examples of essential public health services activities. Also included are appendices listing project advisers and 10 essential elements to build infrastructure and capacity. References conclude the guidelines.

Contact: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, 322 Cannonade Road, Jefferson City, MO 65109. Telephone: (573) 636-0453; fax: (573) 636-0453; e-mail: astdd@socket.net; Web site: http://www.astdd.org. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.astdd.org/docs/ASTDDdocs/ASTDD%20Guidelines.PDF.

HEALTHY KIDS DENTAL DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM: ASSESSMENT OF THE FIRST 12 MONTHS


This 12-month assessment report of the demonstration program Healthy Kids Dental describes utilization of dental services, access to dental providers, the type of treatment received, and expenditures for services delivered. The target audience for the program was Medicaid-enrolled children in 37 Michigan counties. Statistical data are presented in tables, charts, and graphs. A summary and references conclude the report.

KNOWLEDGE PATH: ORAL HEALTH AND CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS


This knowledge path provides a guide to resources about oral health, including publications and databases on the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center's Web site, select electronic resources available through the Web, and select recent print publications and journal articles. It is aimed at policymakers, health professionals, and researchers. This electronic document is updated periodically. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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THE NEW MODE FOR HEALTHCARE DELIVERY


This booklet presents the California pilot program, Affordable Dental Healthcare for the Working Uninsured, which offers dental care to those who most need it and who, in the past, have been unable to afford it. The booklet provides an overview of the program and includes topics such as reimbursement, preferred provider organizations, service utilization, provider participation, and issues related to the use of computers in the dental practice.

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OBTAINING FUNDING FOR DENTAL ACCESS PROGRAMS: AN OVERVIEW


This manual outlines some of the initial challenges in organizing a dental access program and offers suggestions for approaching them successfully. Section 1 outlines six steps to begin program planning, such as determining the need for the program, forming a planning committee, and defining goals. Section 2 describes an additional four steps for developing an infrastructure and budget. Sections 3 and 4 discuss locating funding sources, writing grant applications, the use of direct mail, and fundraising events. The
appendices provide information on nonprofit status, conducting telephone interviews, needs assessments, the Internet, sample grant application forms, and additional resources from the American Dental Association.

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**THE OHIO INITIATIVE**


This information package contains materials developed by the Ohio Initiative as part of a four-pronged approach to reducing barriers to oral health care access for children enrolled in the State Children’s Health Insurance Program and Medicaid, as well as for other vulnerable children. This approach includes (1) forming a steering committee, (2) identifying communities, (3) monitoring and expanding programs, and (4) piloting a computer-based data system. The package includes two handbooks designed for use by oral health local leaders in organizing and sustaining local coalitions. A sample county oral health profile (including the guidance and interview questions), a community development tracking sheet, and a composite model of the Oral Health Coalition Partnerships and Linkages prepared by the Ohio Bureau of Oral Health are also included.

**Contact:** Shannon L. Coles. Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Oral Health Services, 246 North High Street, P.O. Box 118, Columbus, OH 43266. Telephone: (614) 466-4180; fax: (614) 564-2421; e-mail: BOHS@gw.odh.state.oh.us, scole@gw.odh.state.oh.us; Web site: http://www.odh.state.oh.us/ODHPrograms/ORAL/Oral1.htm. Contact for cost information.

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**THE ORAL HEALTH AND CHRONIC DISEASE CONNECTION**


This access brief addresses oral health and the role of state public health. The brief provides an overview of the relationship between oral health and certain chronic diseases, focusing on diabetes, cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, and obesity. The brief provides examples of innovative national and state programs addressing oral health and chronic diseases, such as the National Network for Oral Health Access and the Missouri Diabetes and Oral Health pilot program.

**Contact:** Lauren Raskin. Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, 1275 K Street, N.W., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 371-9090; fax: (202) 371-9797; e-mail: lraskin@astho.org; Web site: http://www.astho.org. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.astho.org/templates/display_pub.php?pub_id=327.

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**ORAL HEALTH IN MISSOURI: POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PREVENTION, EDUCATION, AND ACCESS**


This report describes oral health issues and recommendations and identifies strategies to improve oral health access (including prevention and wellness), with a special focus on the underserved and uninsured, and addresses disparities in access across Missouri. Topic areas are (1) Medicaid and other insurance barriers, (2) systems and safety net infrastructure, (3) coalition-building, (4) the work force, (5) education and prevention, and (6) data and surveillance. The report includes an executive summary, conclusions, and endnotes.

**Contact:** Chris Stewart. Missouri Primary Care Association, 1000 Northeast Drive, Suite C, Jefferson City, MO 65109. Telephone: (573) 636-4222; fax: (573) 696-4585; e-mail: info@mo-pca.org; Web site: http://www.mo-pca.org. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mo-pca.org/oralhealthcoalition/eplan.pdf.
PLANNING SPACE, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLY AND UTILITY NEEDS FOR A VOLUNTEER DENTAL PROJECT


These field reports present information about planning for the physical aspects of a volunteer dental clinic. The reports are intended to be used as instructions for replicating the project. Areas discussed are space, equipment, supplies, and utility needs. The clinics profiled are as follows: Inner City Health Center, Denver, Colorado; Los Angeles Free Clinic, Los Angeles, California; and St. Elizabeth of Hungary Clinic, Tucson, Arizona.


SCHOOL-BASED DENTAL HEALTH: CONSIDERATIONS FOR PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT


This printed copy of a PowerPoint presentation summarizes current directions in school-based dental health. It includes recommendations and proposed strategies for developing and implementing successful local school-based dental health programs. Topics include problems with oral health for children and adolescents, disparities, minority enrollment in dental schools, barriers to dental health services, costs, partnerships, program implementation considerations, and measuring service outcomes.

Contact: Center for Health and Health Care in Schools, 1350 Connecticut Avenue, Suite 505, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 466-3396; fax: (202) 466-3467; e-mail: chhcs@gwu.edu; Web site: http://www.healthinschools.org. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthinschools.org/slides/sbdental.htm.

PRIORITIES IN PREVENTION: ORAL HEALTH


This prevention brief discusses common, preventable oral health ailments and the importance of oral health to an individual's overall health and well-being. It discusses prevention opportunities such as water fluoridation, community- and school-based oral health programs, oral health monitoring and tracking systems, capacity development, and improving access to oral health professionals. Statistics, references, and information sources are also provided.

Contact: Partnership for Prevention, 1015 18th Street, N.W., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 833-0009; fax: (202) 833-0113; e-mail: info@prevent.org; Web site: http://www.prevent.org. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.prevent.org/Priorities/PinP_0501_oralhealth.pdf.

SCHOOL-BASED SEALANT PROGRAM DATA RECORDING SYSTEM: RECORDING FORM AND DATA ENTRY PROTOCOL


The data-recording system described in this document was designed to capture specific information about children using school-based dental sealant programs. The forms allow the collection of data on dental insurance coverage, frequency of dental visits, and untreated decay rates. Data analyses are used to assess the oral health of Iowa children and state programmatic needs.

Contact: Hayley Harvey, Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Oral Health, Lucas State Office Building, Third Floor, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319. Telephone: (515) 281-3733; fax: (515) 242-6384; e-mail: hharvey@idph.state.ia.us; Web site: http://www.idph.state.ia.us/fch/dh.htm. Contact for cost information.
THE SPECIAL SENATE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON WAYS TO MAINTAIN AND EXPAND ACCESS TO QUALITY ORAL HEALTH CARE FOR ALL RHODE ISLAND RESIDENTS: REPORT


This report discusses issues and findings in oral health care access, oral disease prevention, and oral health professions work force and capacity. The report also includes the commission's recommendations in these areas. Public and community resources are provided in the following areas: oral health professions, safety net resources, school-based/public health resources, and national models of oral disease prevention. Recommendations in the following areas are discussed: oral health care access, oral disease prevention, and the oral health professions work force. A list of references is included. Statistical data are presented in tables, charts, and graphs throughout the report.


STARTING A DENTAL PROJECT USING THE CLINIC MODEL


These case studies present accounts of three organizations and their experiences in starting or expanding a dental project. The clinics described are the I. M. Sulzbacher Clinic, Jacksonville, Florida; the Interfaith Dental Clinic, Nashville, Tennessee; and the Harambee Dental Clinic, Madison, Wisconsin. The case studies discuss the genesis of the idea for each project, recruiting volunteers, and clinic operations.


STRATEGY FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE AT HRSA


This paper discusses the Health Resources and Services Administration's role in the development of a national oral health plan through the establishment of a strong dental public health infrastructure. Topics include the effective implementation and coordination of oral health programs and activities across all federal and state programs; increasing the number of health professionals available to provide dental public health expertise to vulnerable populations; and enhancing career development training for current and future staff.

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AN UPDATED MULTIPLE LANGUAGE HEALTH HISTORY FOR DENTAL PRACTICE


This reprint from the Journal of the California Dental Association presents tools for dentists to use when communicating with diverse groups. The authors present a health history form developed at the University of the Pacific School of Dentistry that has been translated into 10 languages. The translated forms and the corresponding English form are presented, along with an explanation and a rationale for their use.
Contact: Peter L. Jacobsen. University of the Pacific School of Dentistry, Department of Dental Practice, 2155 Weber Street, San Francisco, CA 94115. Telephone: (415) 929-6428; fax: (415) 929-6654; e-mail: pjacobs@uop.edu; Web site: http://www.dental.uop.edu. Single copies available at no charge.

USING A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO CREATE/EXPAND A VOLUNTEER DENTAL PROJECT


These three field reports present examples of how to use public-private partnerships to create or expand a volunteer dental clinic. The reports are intended to be used as instructions for replicating the process. The clinics discussed are the Northern Virginia Dental Clinic, Falls Church, Virginia; the McHenry County Cooperative Dental Clinic, Woodstock, Illinois; and Share Our Selves, Costa Mesa, California. Each report provides a project description and discussions of first steps, convening the partnership, and sustaining the partnership.


MEETING/CONFERENCE MATERIALS

1ST ANNUAL NEW JERSEY ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT: IMPROVING THE ORAL HEALTH OF ALL NEW JERSEYANS—SEPTEMBER 12, 2001


This document contains the agenda and selected papers presented at the first New Jersey Oral Health Summit held on September 12, 2001, in Princeton, New Jersey. The first paper introduces the topic of access to oral health in New Jersey, its importance, provider participation, and recipient participation. The second paper is a report from the Oral Health Prevention Subcommittee providing information on defining oral health and oral disease, preventive strategies, and leadership in preventive oral health. The legislative committee white paper discusses the impact of dental insurance, and its funding at the state and federal levels, on access to oral health care. Also discussed are legislative initiatives such as increasing Medicaid dental reimbursements to providers, administrative streamlining, Medicaid program education, removing dentistry from managed care, water fluoridation, school-based initiatives, dental sealants, and the reestablishment of the state dental director.

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2001 DENTAL SUMMIT: MEETING THE CHALLENGE AT ALL LEVELS—NOVEMBER 1–2, 2001, CARLISLE, PENNSYLVANIA


This notebook was developed as background material for the dental summit held on November 1–2, 2001, in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. The notebook is divided into five sections. Section 1 outlines the vision, goals, and objectives of the summit. Dental summit updates in section 2 contain information on summit workgroups’ accomplishments to date and activities in progress. Section 3 provides background material for recommended strategies on administrative simplification, capacity-building, education and outreach, fee increases, and quality improvement. The statistics segment of section 4 includes a glossary and numerous charts, tables, and graphs for eligible populations; demographic statistics; enrollment figures; dentist/population ratios; and a variety of data on services provided. Section 5 includes state and program contact information.
BREAKING BARRIERS: ACCESS TO ORAL HEALTH—
APRIL 26–27, 2001; COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA


This report describes the oral health summit held on April 26–27, 2001, in Columbia, South Carolina, for state agency decision-makers, university medical and dental programs, advocacy groups, oral health practitioners, and other health professionals. Topics include promoting oral health, discussing barriers to dental health, highlighting successful dental programs, identifying solutions, and building support for strategies to improve oral health and increase access to dental health services. Additional discussion topics include workforce development, cultural diversity, children with special health care needs, strategies for promoting community oral health initiatives, and targeting campaigns for education and health professionals. The report includes a list of the planning committee members, charts and tables outlining dental services in South Carolina from 1998 to 2001, and a summary of the South Carolina Medicaid Dental Program.

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CHILDREN’S ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT: A CHALLENGE FOR CHANGE—FINAL REPORT


This final report summarizes the Children's Oral Health Summit held on January 25, 2002, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The report includes the following sections: narrative report; Daily Oklahoman article, “State’s children get low marks in dental health”; planning committee roster; speaker roster; registration brochure; summit agenda; and evaluation summary. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Oklahoma Primary Care Association, 4300 North Lincoln Boulevard, Suite 203, Oklahoma City, OK 73105. Telephone: (405) 424-2282, (800) 454-4412; fax: (405) 424-1111; Web site: http://www.okpca.org. $20.00.

COMPILED STATE MEDICAID DENTAL REPORTS: 2002 NOHC MEDICAID CAUCUS


These handouts are from the 2002 National Oral Health Care Medicaid Caucus held on April 28, 2002, in Danvers, Massachusetts. They provide reports on specific dental programs in 15 states including innovations, recommendations, responses, improvements, and impact analyses of state Medicaid reductions. Also included are a dental summit update and follow-up, dental points of contact for Pennsylvania, and a report on dental access and reimbursement from the Department of Medical Assistance Services of Virginia for 2001.

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CONGRESSIONAL HEARING ON THE CRISIS IN CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH: A SILENT EPIDEMIC


This testimony from the June 25, 2002, hearing on children's dental health, sponsored by the U.S. Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, includes statements from representatives of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, the American Dental Education Association, the American Dental Hygienists' Association, the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, the Children's Dental Health Project, former Surgeon General David Satcher, the Head Start Bureau, the National Association of Community Health Centers, and the Special Olympics. This was the first congressional hearing on children's dental health. Testimony addressed the following topics: (1) disparities and other significant challenges to the infrastructure of dental education and the oral health delivery system, and programs deemed critical to dental education and research, (2) infrastructure and capacity in state oral health programs, (3) integration of oral health in general pediatric health policies and programs, (4) strengths of community health centers in improving children's oral health, and (5) the need for explicit inclusion of children with mental retardation.


DENTAL CARE CONSIDERATIONS OF DISADVANTAGED AND SPECIAL CARE POPULATIONS: PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONFERENCE HELD APRIL 18–19, 2001, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND


This proceeding reports on the conference of health professionals brought together to develop recommendations on ways in which Title VII and VIII programs could be modified to better meet the dental needs of young children, disabled adults, and the frail elderly. Part 1 contains an overview of the conference and a summary of the recommendations and conclusions. Part 2 contains a list of the conference participants and the preconference briefing materials.

Contact: HRSA Information Center, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182-2536. Telephone: (888) ASK-HRSA (275-4772), (877) 474-4772; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: ask@hrsa.gov; Web site: http://www.ask.hrsa.gov. Available at no charge. Document code: BHP 00170.

ENHANCING PARTNERSHIPS FOR HEAD START AND ORAL HEALTH: ORAL HEALTH FORUM, JUNE 25–26, 2002


This binder includes materials pertaining to the Oral Health Forum held on June 25–26, 2002, in Oakland, California. The objectives of the forum were (1) to discuss the regional issues impacting access to oral health education, prevention, and direct clinical services in particular geographic regions; (2) to identify gaps in geographic areas to ensure the availability of oral health education, prevention, and direct clinical services; (3) to list several strategies and best practices that would help decrease the barriers to oral health education, prevention, and access to care; and (4) to list valuable resources related to oral health education, prevention, and direct clinical services in the region. The binder is divided into three main sections and contains the forum agenda, a list of participants, a presentation titled “Got Teeth? Oral Health in Head Start Children,” an issue of the Head Start Bulletin, and other meeting information.

FINDING THE SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM: DENTAL ACCESS FOR ALABAMA'S CHILDREN—ALABAMA DENTAL SUMMIT 2001 CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS


These proceedings are from the dental summit held on December 6–7, 2001, in Montgomery, Alabama. The purpose of the summit was to discuss the gaps in the dental care infrastructure, barriers to good oral health, and the development of specific recommendations to incorporate into the state’s strategic oral health plan. The proceedings include summaries of seven presentations, information on the workgroup facilitators, and workgroup summaries and recommendations in the areas of legislative and regulatory change, identification of funding resources, building public awareness, and surveillance and monitoring system development. The proceedings provide state dental statistics and county profiles. The appendices include progress measurements, the Alabama Oral Health Strategic Plan, the policy team roster, a list of the members of the Oral Health Coalition of Alabama, and an additional section containing detailed statistics on dental professionals and shortages by county in Alabama. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]


HEALTHY SMILES FOR SOUTH CAROLINA: NOVEMBER 30, 2001—COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA


This participant folder includes materials from a one-day follow-up summit to the Breaking Barriers: Access to Oral Health meeting held in April 2001 in South Carolina. This summit was the second of two oral health meetings that focused on drafting specific policy and legislative proposals for major oral health policy priorities. The folder includes a summary of the April 2001 Breaking Barriers meeting, an oral health fact sheet, information about low-cost dental programs, information about promoting children’s oral health, a report on building infrastructure and capacity in state and territorial oral health programs, brochures about water fluoridation and the South Carolina Healthy Schools program, and a conference evaluation form.

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HEALTHY SMILES FOR SOUTH CAROLINA: NOVEMBER 30, 2001—WORK SESSION SUMMARY


This report describes the Healthy Smiles for South Carolina summit, the second of two oral health meetings that focused on drafting specific policy and legislative proposals for major oral health policy priorities. The report focuses on the discussions of major policy priorities, dental workforce development, community water fluoridation, school-based dental disease prevention, early childhood dental disease prevention, and Medicaid issues. The summit agenda is included.

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IDAHO ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT 2001: SHAPING THE FUTURE, IMPROVING ACCESS—SUMMIT REPORT


This report describes the Idaho Oral Health Summit held on November 16, 2001, in Boise, Idaho. The report includes the summit purpose and overview; a call to action; and strategies to improve oral health through policy and funding, access to care, and prevention and education. Also included are presummit interviews, a summary of participant evaluations, and an appendix of letters of support from Idaho’s congressional delegates. An agenda and summit information have been added. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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IDAHO ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT—2001: SHAPING THE FUTURE, IMPROVING ACCESS—DRAFT PROCEEDINGS


This proceedings draft document is a summary of discussions from the oral health summit held on November 16, 2001, in Boise, Idaho. Topics include the Idaho Oral Health Alliance; highlights from the summit; proposed strategies to support, enhance, and develop access to oral health care in Idaho; and closing comments by the summit facilitators. Also included is an attachment section with presummit telephone interview feedback, detailed chronological notes, and Web links to Idaho foundations and other helpful sites.

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IOWA DENTAL SUMMIT 2002: APRIL 11, 2002—SUMMARY


This folder contains three items summarizing the dental summit held on April 11, 2002, in Des Moines, Iowa. The first item, a conference summary, includes a description of the summit activities, speaker summaries, brief descriptions of presentations, and outlines of afternoon discussions. The second item presents a summary of panelist comments on national and regional perspectives. The third item is a summary of Iowa stakeholders, roundtable discussion groups, listing topics, questions, and the discussion outcomes presented in a table.

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IOWA DENTAL SUMMIT 2002: SECURING A STRONG ORAL HEALTH FUTURE—APRIL 11, 2002


This information package contains participant materials from the 2002 Iowa dental summit held on April 11, 2002, in Des Moines, Iowa. A pamphlet provides information on the summit’s purpose, goals, and objectives; an agenda; speaker biographies; and a list of panelists. It also provides descriptions of the Iowa Bureau of Oral Health programs, and contact information. A sample participant survey and evaluation summary are included, as are summaries of the status of oral health chapters in meeting Healthy Iowans 2010 objectives. Guidelines for state and territorial oral health programs on assessment, policy development, and assurance, and descriptions of innovative community-based programs and services, are also included.

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KENTUCKY DENTAL ACCESS SUMMIT: MAY 24, 2001—LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY


This notebook acts as a resource on oral health for participants in the Kentucky Dental Access Summit held on May 24, 2001, in Lexington, Kentucky. The notebook consists of eight sections that include background facts, articles, papers, and other print items. Section 1 contains federal information on trends, data, and background papers. Section 2 includes Kentucky statewide statistics, surveys, and goals. Section 3 provides information on the presenters, including background papers or summaries from keynote speakers. Section 4 contains items on legislative issues. Section 5 is devoted to public awareness and education and to initiatives to raise oral health education and awareness. Section 6 discusses dental service delivery models. Section 7 contains initiatives from dental educators/dental schools on dental education. Section 8 provides Web sites, addresses, and telephone numbers for more information. The notebook also contains separate copies of the *Oral Health America* brochure, the executive summary of *Oral Health in America: A Report of the Surgeon General*, and *Missing the Mark: Oral Health in America*.


MONTANA DENTAL SUMMIT II: BUILDING COMMUNITY PARTNERS—NOVEMBER 2, 2001


This participant’s packet is from the second Montana dental health summit held on July 28, 2000, in Helena, Montana. Materials include an agenda, a list of remaining strategies from Dental Summit I, a list of priority issues for the summit compiled by the Montana Dental Association, information about oral health issues in various parts of Montana, a sheet of Montana oral health referral resources, a form to request addition to the mailing list, and a copy of Montana’s *Healthy People 2010* state plan. In addition, the following fact sheets from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services are included: *Oral Health and Quality of Life, Oral Health 2000 Facts and Figures, Links Between Oral Health and General Health, Children’s Oral Health, A Call for Action on Policy Initiatives, and The Benefits of Fluoride.*
Contact: Cheri Seed. Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, Family and Community Health Bureau, Cogswell Building, Room C-314, 1400 Broadway, Helena, MT 59620. Telephone: (406) 444-0276; fax: (406) 444-2606; e-mail: cseed@state.mt.us. Contact for cost information.

MONTANA DENTAL SUMMIT II: BUILDING COMMUNITY PARTNERS—NOVEMBER 2, 2001 FINAL REPORT


This final report describes the second Montana dental health summit held on November 2, 2001, in Helena, Montana. The focus of the summit was to engage communities in improving oral health services in the state. Reports of efforts to improve access from the federal, congressional, regional, state, and local levels were shared, along with current work force data from the Montana Dentist Survey, 2000. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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NEW MEXICO'S SECOND ORAL HEALTH ACCESS SUMMIT: APRIL 25–26, 2002—LAS CRUCES


This report describes the roundtable and breakout sessions for New Mexico's Second Oral Health Access Summit held on April 25–26, 2002, in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Session topics include finance and legislation, border health, child oral health and prevention, work force and system capacity, and New Mexico's oral health plan. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]


NIH CONSENSUS DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE ON DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF DENTAL CARIES THROUGHOUT LIFE, MARCH 26–28, 2001


This special issue of the Journal of Dental Education is dedicated to the Consensus Development Conference on Diagnosis and Management of Dental Caries Throughout Life, sponsored by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. Included are lists of members of the planning committee and the consensus development panel as well as manuscript reviewers. In addition to welcoming remarks, introductions, and an agenda, 34 conference papers with references are included. The final article is the Consensus
Development Conference Statement that addresses six key questions about dental caries. An appendix offering search strategies for questions by independent reviewers is also included.

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**OHIO ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE SUMMIT, NOVEMBER 14–15, 2001: FINAL REPORT**


This final report describes the summit held on November 14–15, 2001, in Columbus, Ohio, to discuss the recommendations of the Ohio Director of Health's Task Force on Access to Dental Care. Summit topics include increasing awareness of the problem of access to dental care, encouraging local action and advocacy, providing communities with the opportunity to gain the skills needed to develop dental care access initiatives, creating a forum for networking and sharing experiences, and catalyzing new partnerships to address the access-to-dental-care problem. The report is divided into three sections: program overview, program accomplishments, and evaluation.

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**ORAL HEALTH BRIEFING**


This agenda and transcript from the kaisernetwork.org HealthCast briefing presents a discussion on access to oral health care for children and the elderly. This briefing was hosted by the Congressional Prevention Coalition in collaboration with the Partnership for Prevention and Oral Health America on September 24, 2002. Speakers included representatives from Oral Health America, the Louisiana state dental office, the Children's Dental Health Project, and the U.S. House of Representatives. A videotape of the briefing and a fact sheet on oral health in America are also available on the kaisernetwork.org Web site.


**ORAL HEALTH RESOURCE BULLETIN: VOLUME VII. APRIL 2003**

This fact sheet provides an overview of oral health problems, focusing on the pain, cost, and preventability of such problems for children and adults. Information about the leadership role of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in encouraging effective use of fluoride, promoting the use of dental sealants, targeting mouth and throat cancers, and guiding infection control in dentistry is presented. In addition, the fact sheet presents information on CDC’s role in helping states reach vulnerable populations, provide fluoridation training, support a national research network, and monitor the oral health of America.

Contact: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health, 4770 Buford Highway, N.E., Mailstop F-10, Atlanta, GA 30341-3717. Telephone: (770) 488-6054; e-mail: ccdinfo@cdc.gov; Web site: http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/pdfs/ataglance.pdf.

**ORAL HEALTH: PREVENTING CAVITIES, GUM DISEASE, AND MOUTH AND THROAT CANCERS**


This fact sheet provides an overview of oral health problems, focusing on the pain, cost, and preventability of such problems for children and adults. Information about the leadership role of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in encouraging effective use of fluoride, promoting the use of dental sealants, targeting mouth and throat cancers, and guiding infection control in dentistry is presented. In addition, the fact sheet presents information on CDC’s role in helping states reach vulnerable populations, provide fluoridation training, support a national research network, and monitor the oral health of America.

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AN ORAL HEALTH PLAN FOR NEVADA: STRATEGIC MEETING OF ORAL HEALTH STAKEHOLDERS, JANUARY 24, 2002


This document reports on the Nevada State Health Division Strategic Meeting of Oral Health Stakeholders, convened on January 24, 2002, to evaluate the state oral health program. Also discussed were issues pertaining to establishing, strengthening, and expanding the capacity of Nevada to plan, implement, and evaluate oral disease prevention and health promotion programs. Section contents include past oral health assessments, identified gaps in oral health in Nevada, a vision statement, plan development, remaining issues, and an evaluation of goals and objectives. The report concludes with a list of meeting participants.

Contact: Nevada State Health Division, Bureau of Family Health Services, 505 East King Street, Room 200, Carson City, NV 89701. Telephone: (775) 684-4285; fax: (775) 684-4245; Web site: http://health2k.state.nv.us/bfhs. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://health2k.state.nv.us/oral/class/Plan.pdf.

PROCEEDINGS: ILLINOIS ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT, SEPTEMBER 11, 2001—ILLINOIS’ RESPONSE TO THE SURGEON GENERAL’S REPORT ON ORAL HEALTH IN AMERICA


This report describes the efforts that led up to the Illinois Oral Health Summit, held September 11, 2001; documents the extensive collaborative preparation that helped the summit become a reality; and lists next steps in Illinois’ continuing response to improving oral health for its residents. Topics include the background and process of the development of Illinois’ response to the Surgeon General’s report on Oral Health in America, and the discussions held before the unexpected adjournment.

Contact: Dean M. Strassner. Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Oral Health, 535 West Jefferson Street, Room 500, Springfield, IL 62761. Telephone: (217) 785-4899, (800) 547-0466; fax: (217) 524-2831; e-mail: dstrassn@idph.state.il.us; Web site: http://www.idph.state.il.us/HealthWellness/oralhlth/home.htm. Photocopy available at no charge.

PROCEEDINGS: PROMOTING ORAL HEALTH OF CHILDREN WITH NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND OTHER SPECIAL HEALTH NEEDS


This volume contains the proceedings of a conference held at the Center on Human Development and Disability, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, on May 4–5, 2001. The conference was convened to address training and research agendas related to oral health promotion for children with neurodevelopmental disabilities and other special health care needs. Section topics include an introduction and overview, full recommendations, a health promotion framework, oral disease and care for children with special health care needs, data and demonstration projects, health-promoting behaviors, interdisciplinary issues, oral-systemic health interactions, and access. The appendices include the conference agenda, a list of faculty and attendees, a list of federal training and research centers, and selected recent articles and reports highlighted at the conference. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

REGION VII FORUM ON ENHANCING PARTNERSHIPS FOR HEAD START AND ORAL HEALTH: DECEMBER 4–5, 2001—KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI


This information package contains information on the Region VII Head Start and Early Head Start programs (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska), including (1) color-coded, county-level service area maps; (2) funded enrollment numbers by program; and (3) state-level summaries of program information reports for the 1999–2000 program year. These materials were disseminated to participants in the Region VII Forum on Enhancing Partnerships for Head Start and Oral Health, held on December 4–5, 2001, in Kansas City, Missouri. The package also includes instructions for small-group discussions held during the conference, as well as print copies of PowerPoint presentation slides on the Iowa Head Start Early Childhood Oral Health Survey—2001. A brochure on the Head Start program; a Healthy Smiles, Happy Children button; and the May 2001 issue of the *Head Start Bulletin* (on the 1999 Head Start and Partners Forum on Oral Health) are also included.

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THIRD ANNUAL NATIONAL DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM DIRECTORS’ WORKSHOP AND FIRST ANNUAL NATIONAL DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH RESIDENTS’ WORKSHOP


This workshop report includes materials from the Third Annual National Dental Public Health Program Directors’ Workshop and First Annual National Dental Public Health Residents’ Workshop. The report contains executive and presentation summaries including topics on recruiting more dentists to the specialty of dental public health (DPH); the effects of the Surgeon General’s report on oral health; guidelines on selecting projects for DPH field experiences; and career opportunities in DPH in local, state, and federal government programs. The report concludes with three appendices: (1) workshop participants, (2) DPH case studies, and (3) suggested readings for DPH residents.

**Contact:** U.S. Bureau of Health Professions, 5600 Fishers Lane, Parklawn Building, Room 8-05, Rockville, MD 20857. Telephone: (301) 443-5794; fax: (301) 443-2111; Web site: http://bhpr.hrsa.gov. Contact for cost information.

SOUTH DAKOTA DENTAL HEALTH STRATEGIES: IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH IN SOUTH DAKOTA


This report describes a one-day strategy meeting of public oral health, public policy, medicine, and advocacy constituencies in South Dakota. The meeting identified the current status of oral health care in the state, concerns with care access, and change in oral health service resources in South Dakota now and in the future. The report outlines the discussions on challenges facing the state, issues and recommendations for action, next steps, and synopses of the keynote presentations. The appendices provide a list of planning committee members, the meeting agenda, a list of summit attendees, printed presentation slides and handouts, and a fact sheet on oral health care in South Dakota.

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UTAH ORAL HEALTH FOLLOW-UP SUMMIT: FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2001—SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH


These handouts were provided to participants at the Utah Oral Health Follow-Up Summit held on June 8, 2001, in Salt Lake City, Utah. They summarize the key...
strategies developed at the Utah Oral Health Summit in October 2000 and outline the activities and recommendations of the three workgroups at that conference: access, policy and funding, and prevention and education. The handouts were used to guide the discussions at the follow-up summit. Also included is a questionnaire requesting feedback about the follow-up summit. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**REPORTS**

**EARLY CHILDHOOD CAVITIES PREVENTION: AN OPPORTUNITY FOR OREGON’S DENTAL AND HEALTH SYSTEMS**


This report provides a proposed road map for a systemic approach to decreasing the growing incidence of early childhood caries (ECC) in Oregon. The proposed approach includes prevention and treatment of oral disease in pregnant women; assessment and treatment of children from birth to age 24 months; preventive education for parents; training the health professional to recognize ECC; and increasing dental practitioner training and participation in the program. The report contains guidelines, models, outcome measures, program implementation guidelines, and Web and print resources for additional information.

**Contact:** Deborah Cateora. Oregon Department of Human Services, Oregon Health Plan, 500 Summer Street, N.E., Salem, OR 97310-1014. Telephone: (800) 336-6016, (503) 945-5772, (503) 945-6921; fax: (503) 373-7689; e-mail: deborah.cateora@state.or.us; Web site: http://www.dhs.state.or.us/healthplan/index.htm. Contact for cost information. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.omap.hr.state.or.us/prevention/providers/eccpbook1001.pdf.

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**THE GUIDE TO COMMUNITY PREVENTIVE SERVICES: INTERVENTIONS TO PREVENT DENTAL CARIES, ORAL AND PHARYNGEAL CANCERS, AND SPORT-RELATED CRANIOFACIAL INJURIES—SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS OF EVIDENCE, RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TASK FORCE ON COMMUNITY PREVENTIVE SERVICES, AND EXPERT COMMENTARY**


This report presents evidence and recommendations on interventions to prevent dental caries, oral and pharyngeal cancers, and sports-related craniofacial injuries. Expert commentaries present a vision for the future of oral health community preventive services, the need for partnerships to identify factors responsible for oral diseases and injuries, issues and opportunities in community-based oral health prevention, and activities of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation in the area of oral health. Articles address committee recommendations on selected interventions, reviews of evidence on interventions, and a comparison of selected evidence reviews and recommendations.

**Contact:** Elsevier Science Publishing, 655 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10010. Telephone: (212) 633-3815; fax: (212) 633-3820; e-mail: t.decarlo@elsevier.com; Web site: http://www.elsevier.com. Contact for cost information.

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**JOINT REPORT OF THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION COUNCIL ON ACCESS, PREVENTION AND INTERPROFESSIONAL RELATIONS AND COUNCIL ON SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES: RESPONSE TO RESOLUTION 73H-2000—OCTOBER 2001**


This white paper presents a summary of currently available scientific literature on the oral health effects
of soft drink consumption. The paper provides information on oral health issues (including dental erosion); nutrition and child development issues; public health, public policy, and local decision-making issues; and American Dental Association (ADA) policy. The paper also provides examples of public statements and reports on commercialism in schools and exclusive soft drink contracts in schools. This paper was developed in support of ADA’s 2000 policy (included in the appendix). A reference list is also provided.

Contact: American Dental Association, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: (312) 440-2568; fax: (312) 440-7461; e-mail: survey@ada.org; Web site: http://www.ada.org. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.ada.org/prof/prac/issues/topics/softdrink/Softdrinks.pdf.

PREVENTIVE ORAL CARE IN THE ANTHEM FOUNDATION OF OHIO’S SERVICE AREA


This report discusses the state of oral health in the United States and the need for programs targeted to underserved populations. Topics include oral health in Ohio, affected populations, and best practices in the following areas: school-based sealant programs, programs for special populations, Ohio state initiatives, and national initiatives. Additional sections cover measuring results, conclusions, references, and resources. Appendices present data from participating Ohio counties.


PROMOTING ORAL HEALTH: INTERVENTIONS FOR PREVENTING DENTAL CARIES, ORAL AND PHARYNGEAL CANCERS, AND SPORT-RELATED CRANIOFACIAL INJURIES—A REPORT ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE ON COMMUNITY PREVENTIVE SERVICES


This document reports on systematic reviews of the effectiveness of selected population-based interventions to prevent and control dental caries, oral and pharyngeal cancers, and sports-related craniofacial injuries. The report presents the recommendations of the task force, describes how the reviews were conducted, and provides information designed to help apply the recommended interventions locally. Listings of task force members and references are provided. A table lists selected oral health objectives from Healthy People 2010.

Contact: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., Atlanta, GA 30333. Telephone: (404) 639-3535; e-mail: netinfo@cdc.gov; Web site: http://www.cdc.gov. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/rr5021.pdf.