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Introduction

The purpose of the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center (OHRC) is to respond to the needs of states and communities in addressing current and emerging public oral health issues. OHRC supports health professionals, program administrators, educators, policymakers, researchers, and others with the goal of improving oral health services for infants, children, adolescents, and their families. OHRC collaborates with government agencies, professional associations, foundations, and voluntary organizations to gather, develop, and share high-quality and timely information and materials.

The *Oral Health Resource Bulletin* is a periodic publication designed to stimulate thinking and creativity within the maternal and child health (MCH) community by providing information about selected materials of interest. Each successive volume is intended to supplement rather than replace previous volumes. The materials listed in the bulletin have been incorporated into the OHRC library. Copies of listed materials can be obtained directly from the contributing party or are available for loan from OHRC to those involved in MCH programs. When ordering materials from the HRSA Information Center, refer to the document code located within the contact information.

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, implementation, or 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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Materials

DATA

DENTAL EXPENDITURES IN THE 10 LARGEST STATES, 2004

Sommers JP. 2007. *Dental Expenditures in the 10 Largest States, 2004*. Rockville, MD: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. 5 pp.

This fact sheet presents estimates based on data from the household component of the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS) on use, costs, and sources of payment for oral health care expenditures for persons in the noninstitutionalized population in 2004. It compares figures from the 10 largest states to the national average. The fact sheet explains what expenditures are and provides information about MEPS. References are included, along with four charts illustrating statistical data.

Contact: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 540 Gaither Road, Rockville, MD 20850. Telephone: (301) 427-1364, (800) 358-9295; e-mail: Kmgidail@ahrq.gov; Web site: <http://www.ahrq.gov>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.meps.ahrq.gov/mepsweb/data_files/publications/st156/stat156.pdf.

TRENDS IN ORAL HEALTH STATUS: UNITED STATES, 1988–1994 AND 1999–2004

Dye BA, Tan S, Smith V, Lewis BG, Barker LK, Thornton-Evans G, Eke PI, Beltran-Augilar ED, Horowitz AM, Li C. 2007. *Trends in Oral Health Status: United States, 1988–1994 and 1999–2004*. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 92 pp.

This preliminary report presents national estimates and trends for oral health status measures for individuals ages 2 and over by sociodemographic status. Data were drawn from the National Health and Examination Survey (NHANES). Measures include dental caries, dental sealants, incisal trauma, periodontal health, dental visits, perception of oral health status, tooth retention, and edentulism. Estimates for monitoring progress toward the *Healthy People 2010* oral health objectives using NHANES source data are also presented.

Contact: National Center for Health Statistics, 3311 Toledo Road, Hyattsville, MD 20782. Telephone: (301) 458-4000, (866) 441-NCHS (441-6247); fax: (301) 458-4020; e-mail: nchsquery@cdc.gov; Web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs>. Available at no charge. Document code: DHHS (PHS) 2007-1698. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr_11/sr11_248.pdf.

GENERAL INFORMATION

“ORAL HEALTH.” IN HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 MIDCOURSE REVIEW

Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Public Health and Science. 2006. “Oral Health.” In *Healthy People 2010 Midcourse Review*. Washington, DC: Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Public Health and Science. 28 pp.

This chapter in *Healthy People 2010* Midcourse Review highlights results from an assessment of progress toward achieving the *Healthy People 2010* oral health focus goals and objectives through the first half of the decade. Topics include modifications to objectives and sub-objectives, progress toward *Healthy People 2010* targets, progress toward elimination of health disparities, opportunities and challenges, and emerging issues. The proportion of children ages 2–4 with dental caries increased from 18 percent in 1988–1994 to 22 percent in 1999–2002 (target: 11 percent). The proportion of untreated tooth decay in this population also increased from 16 percent to 17 percent (target: 9 percent). Root causes of oral health disparities include lack of access to preventive and restorative services and poor oral health literacy. Emerging issues include the role of health literacy in oral health outcomes and the use of fluoride varnish as a preventive measure.

Contact: Office of Public Health and Science, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 716-G, Washington, DC 20201. Telephone: (202) 690-7694; Web site: <http://www.osophs.dhhs.gov/ophs>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.healthypeople.gov/data/midcourse/pdf/FA21.pdf>.

ORAL HEALTH: INFORMATION FOR ADULTS WHO CARE ABOUT CHILDREN (REV. ED.)

South Dakota Department of Health. 2006. *Oral Health: Information for Adults Who Care About Children* (rev. ed.). Pierre, SD: South Dakota Department of Health. 2 pp.

This fact sheet presents information about the oral health of children in South Dakota. Selected topics include the 2006 oral health survey of students in third grade, early childhood caries, how to prevent tooth decay, pregnancy and oral health, and soft drinks and oral health. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: South Dakota Department of Health, Oral Health Program, 615 East Fourth Street, Pierre, SD 57501-1700. Telephone: (800) 738-2301, (605) 773-3737; fax: (605) 773-5509; e-mail: DOH.INFO@state.sd.us; Web site: <http://www.state.sd.us/doh/OralHealth>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.state.sd.us/doh/famhlth/MCHOralHealth.pdf>.

MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS ORAL HEALTH FORUM: SMILES FOR SPECIAL KIDS—CHILDREN’S ORAL HEALTH COALITION—FINAL REPORT

Children’s Oral Health Coalition. 2006. *Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Oral Health Forum: Smiles for Special Kids—Children’s Oral Health Coalition—Final Report*. Oklahoma City, OK: Oklahoma Association of Community Action Agencies. 21 pp.

This report presents a brief history of the adverse impact of legislative changes on the delivery of oral health care to individuals eligible for Medicaid in Oklahoma and recent (2002–2006) state and local initiatives to address oral health disparities, with an emphasis on the oral health forum on children with special health care needs held on August 25, 2006, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Contents include a summary of the forum planning process, a list of the invitees and participants, panel presentation summaries, the action plan, and a discussion of potential barriers and additional resources. Tables containing state and national statistics on the percentage of children with special health care needs by age, gender, family income,

and race and ethnicity as presented during the forum are provided. Tables containing indicators of child health and well-being are also presented. The forum agenda, e-card, registration form, attendance list, evaluation summary, and financial report are included as exhibits. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/pdfs/OK_CSHCNReport.pdf.

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS (CSHCN) ORAL HEALTH FORUM—PARTICIPANT FOLDER

District of Columbia Department of Health, Oral Health Division. 2007. *Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Oral Health Forum—Participant Folder*. Washington, DC: District of Columbia Department of Health, Oral Health Division. 13 items.

This folder contains materials provided to participants attending the oral health forum for children with special health care needs (CSHCN) held on May 22, 2007, in Washington, DC. Contents include the forum agenda, printed presentation slides, a fact sheet from the National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs for DC, a publication focusing on the South Carolina program for CSHCN, a list of facilitator biographies, a conference evaluation form, a list of participants, fact sheets from the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center, and a print copy of the Maternal and Child Health Bureau Web pages on “Achieving and Measuring Success: A National Agenda for Children with Special Health Care Needs.” [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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FIRST ANNUAL RHODE ISLAND ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT

Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 2006. *First Annual Rhode Island Oral Health Summit*. Providence, RI: Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 1 p.

This brief describes an oral health summit held on March 29, 2006, in Warwick, Rhode Island. Contents include the proposed goals for a new statewide oral health plan to remove barriers to care, apply science and best practices, develop a comprehensive oral-disease-prevention and health-promotion system, maintain infrastructure and work force, and provide oral health information.

Contact: Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program, 3 Capitol Hill, Room 408, Providence, RI 02908. Telephone: (401) 222-1171; fax: (401) 222-4415; e-mail: maureenr@doh.state.ri.us; Web site: <http://www.health.ri.gov/disease/primarycare/oralhealth/index.php>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.health.ri.gov/disease/primarycare/oralhealth/pdf/3-29-06%20State%20Summit%20-%20summary.pdf>.

GOOD ORAL HEALTH: PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE—3RD ANNUAL ORAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

Morgan State University School of Public Health and Policy. 2007. *Good Oral Health: Prevention Is Better Than Cure—3rd Annual Oral Health Conference*. Baltimore, MD: Morgan State University School of Public Health and Policy. 1 v.

This binder contains participant materials from the third annual oral health conference sponsored by the Morgan State University School of Public Health and Policy held on April 13, 2007, in Baltimore, Maryland. The purpose of the conference was to (1) increase awareness of the relationship between oral health and overall optimal health status, (2) increase awareness of oral health socio-environmental risk factors, (3) provide participants with practical oral health tools and resources to promote good oral health practices, and (4) challenge attendees to share the oral health lessons learned at the conference. Contents include the letter of invitation, an agenda, speaker biographies, and learning table (exhibit) descriptions. Resources produced or compiled by the conference speakers are also provided. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Yvonne Bronner. Morgan State University School of Public Health and Policy, Jenkins Behavioral Science Building, Room 343, 1700 East Cold Spring Lane, Baltimore, MD 21251. Telephone: (443) 885-3238; fax: (443) 885-8309; e-mail: ybronner@moac.morgan.edu; Web site: <http://sphp.morgan.edu>. Photo-copy available at no charge.

GOT A SWEET TOOTH? MONITORING THE PREVALENCE OF OBESITY AND TOOTH DECAY IN CHILDREN

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials and Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2007. *Got a Sweet Tooth? Monitoring the Prevalence of Obesity and Tooth Decay in Children*. Washington, DC: Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. 1 v.

These archived Webcast materials present information on collaborative efforts at the national and state levels to monitor the prevalence of overweight and dental caries in children. Contents include four PowerPoint presentations and accompanying materials from a Webcast held on February 15, 2007. One of the presentations provides background information on the relationship between diet, weight, and oral health in children; the health consequences of overweight and dental caries in children and disease trends; and data collection. The other presentations address initiatives in Illinois, New York, and Ohio to monitor body mass index and dental caries in children. Accompanying materials include a survey for collecting data on oral health, physical activity, and nutrition in New York and a copy of *A Report on Body Mass Index of Ohio's Third Graders*.

Contact: Lauren Ratner. Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, 2231 Crystal Drive, Suite 450, Arlington, VA 22202. Telephone: (202) 371-9090, ext. 1672; fax: (571) 527-3189; e-mail: lratner@astho.org; Web site: <http://www.astho.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.astho.org/?template=maternal_child_health.html.

RESEARCH TO POLICY AND PRACTICE FORUM: PERIODONTAL HEALTH AND BIRTH OUTCOMES—SUMMARY OF A MEETING OF MATERNAL, CHILD, AND ORAL HEALTH EXPERTS

Brown A, Zimmerman B. 2007. *Research to Policy and Practice Forum: Periodontal Health and Birth Outcomes—Summary of a Meeting of Maternal, Child, and Oral*

Health Experts. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 26 pp.

This report explores the oral health requirements of pregnant women as a promising strategy for improving maternal and infant health. The report summarizes presentations of commissioned background papers and other topics, as well as workgroup discussions from a forum convened by the Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA's) Maternal and Child Health Bureau, held on December 11–12, 2006, in Washington, DC. The forum was planned in collaboration with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; HRSA's Office of Women's Health; the National Institute of Health's National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, and Office of Research on Women's Health; and the Office of the Surgeon General. Contents include an overview and purpose; a summary of presentations; and a discussion of future directions for policy, programming, and research. Closing remarks, next steps, references, the forum agenda, and a participant list are also provided. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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POLICY

DENTAL HEALTH AMONG RURAL, LOW-INCOME FAMILIES: IMPLICATIONS FOR POLICY AND PROGRAMS

Simpson E, Braun B. 2007. *Dental Health Among Rural, Low-Income Families: Implications for Policy and Programs*. College Park, MD: University of Maryland, Department of Family Studies. 2 pp.

This policy brief discusses the oral health status of rural families with low incomes who reside in Maryland and the implications for policy and programs. The brief is based on a multi-state, longitudinal study of the well-being of families with low incomes in the context of welfare reform. Data on demographics (employment and education) and oral health indicators (dental visits

within the last year, dental insurance) as reported by mothers in Maryland compared to those of the overall study sample are provided. Other topics include the importance of oral health and barriers to oral health. Policy recommendations to improve access, broaden the provider network, and educate consumers are included.

Contact: Department of Agriculture, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, 1400 Independence Avenue, N.W., Stop 2201, Washington, DC 20250-2201. Telephone: (202) 720-7441; Web site: <http://www.csrees.usda.gov>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.csrees.usda.gov/nea/food/pdfs/oral_health.pdf.

IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH CARE FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Gehshan S, Wyatt M. 2007. *Improving Oral Health Care for Young Children*. Portland, ME: National Academy for State Health Policy. 36 pp.

This report focuses on financing and work force challenges, describes promising models of care, and discusses options for policymakers seeking to improve access to oral health care for young children. Selected topics include the need for care for young children; Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Medicaid dental services for children; public health measures; and examples of promising models of care in Washington, Michigan, and North Carolina. The report concludes with a discussion of policy options at the federal, state, community, and organization levels for improving oral health for young children. A state-by-state table of dental benefits in non-Medicaid State Children's Health Insurance Programs is included as an appendix.

Contact: National Academy for State Health Policy, 50 Monument Square, Suite 502, Portland, ME 04101. Telephone: (207) 874-6524, (202) 903-0101; fax: (207) 874-6527; e-mail: info@nashp.org; Web site: <http://www.nashp.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.nashp.org/Files/Improving_Oral_Health.pdf.

PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM METHAMPHETAMINE

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. 2007. *Protecting Children from Methamphetamine*. Washington, DC: Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. 2 pp.

This fact sheet describes the impact of methamphetamine (meth) on child health and provides examples of partnership opportunities for state health agencies to protect children from meth. Topics include meth and child health, including mental health; partnership opportunities among state public health agency programs (environmental health, injury prevention, maternal and child health); opportunities for interagency partnerships (e.g., drug-endangered children programs) to ensure treatment, prevent meth use, and address child welfare issues; legislative partnership opportunities; and other partners (local and federal government, private partners). A list of organizational resources is also provided. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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RURAL DENTAL PRACTICE: A TALE OF FOUR STATES

Andrilla CHA, Lishner DM, Hart LG. 2006. *Rural Dental Practice: A Tale of Four States*. Seattle, WA: WWAMI Rural Health Research Center. 13 pp., plus appendices.

This working paper reports the findings of a study investigating rural dentist issues, such as demography, training, practice characteristics, staff, and job satisfaction, in Alabama, California, Maine, and Missouri. The paper highlights the survey methodology, findings, and limitations and discusses responses to issues including work and staffing patterns, vacancy rates, Medicaid participation, and job satisfaction of rural dentists. Perspectives of oral health professionals on issues related to access to care are also discussed. Appendices provide the survey questionnaire for each state, plus state pamphlets presenting statistical data on individual state findings. A summary is also available as a separate document. The summary presents a project overview and provides charts and statistics on dentist demographics, dental hygienist and dental assistant vacancy rates, and dentist participation in Medicaid.

Contact: HRSA Information Center, P.O. Box 2910, Merrifield, VA 22116. Telephone: (888) ASK-HRSA (275-4772), (877) 489-4772; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: ask@hrsa.gov; Web site: <http://www.ask.hrsa.gov>. Available at no charge. Document code: HRSA

Info. Ctr. ORHP00380. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://depts.washington.edu/uwrhrc/uploads/RHRC_WP107_Andrilla.pdf (working paper) and http://depts.washington.edu/uwrhrc/uploads/RHRC_WP107_2Pager.pdf (project summary).

TESTIMONY OF JANE PERKINS, JD, MPH: MAY 2, 2007

National Health Law Program. 2007. *Testimony of Jane Perkins, JD, MPH: May 2, 2007*. Chapel Hill, NC: National Health Law Program. 6 pp.

This document contains testimony presented at the U.S. House of Representatives hearing on the oversight of oral health programs for children eligible for Medicaid held on May 2, 2007, in Washington, DC. The testimony addresses the performance of states in ensuring that children obtain oral health care services through the Medicaid Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) program. A discussion of the role of managed care organizations in the provision of EPSDT oral health services and oversight by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in ensuring that states operate their programs in compliance with the Medicaid Act and implementing rules is included. References are provided.

Contact: National Health Law Program, Chapel Hill, North Carolina Office, 211 North Columbia Street, Second Floor, Chapel Hill, NC 27514. Telephone: (919) 968-6308; fax: (919) 968-8855; e-mail: nhelp@healthlaw.org; Web site: <http://www.healthlaw.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.healthlaw.org/library.cfm?fa=download&resourceID=104771&cprint>.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

EMERGENCY GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOLS (3RD ED.)

Ohio Department of Health, School and Adolescent Health, School Nursing Program. 2007. *Emergency Guidelines for Schools* (3rd ed.). Columbus, OH: Ohio Department of Health, School Nursing Program, School and Adolescent Health. 128 pp.

These guidelines present best practice recommendations for providing emergency care to students in Ohio schools. The guidelines are meant to serve as basic

what-to-do-in-an-emergency information for school staff without nursing or medical training or when the school nurse is not available. Sections include how to use the emergency guidelines, when to call emergency medical services, emergency procedures for injury or illness, student injury report form guidelines, planning for students with special needs, infection control, and school-safety planning and emergency preparedness. Color-coded flow charts detail procedures for many emergency situations such as injury or illness, school safety, sheltering in place, and hazardous materials. Guidelines are provided for a “to-go” bag containing vital student, staff, and building information; records; emergency procedures; critical health information and first aid supplies; and communication equipment. Sample forms are also included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: American Academy of Pediatrics, Council on School Health, 141 Northwest Point Boulevard, Elk Grove, IL 60007. Telephone: (847) 434-4000; e-mail: schoolhealth@aap.org; Web site: <http://www.schoolhealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.schoolhealth.org/content/emergGuide.pdf>.

IDAHO ORAL HEALTH PROJECT FOR PREGNANT WOMEN FACT SHEETS

Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Oral Health Program. 2007. *Idaho Oral Health Project for Pregnant Women Fact Sheets*. Boise, ID: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Oral Health Program. 3 pp.

This set of three fact sheets provides information on the importance of oral health and routine oral health care during pregnancy. The content of each fact sheet is designed to address the oral-health-education needs of a specific target audience. One fact sheet is designed to educate oral health professionals, one is for non-oral-health professionals, and one is for the women both types of professionals serve. The fact sheet for women includes tips for preventing oral disease during pregnancy and color photographs depicting healthy teeth and gums, gingivitis, periodontal disease, pregnancy tumors, and tooth decay. The fact sheets for health professionals emphasize the importance of educating women about oral health and offer guidelines for oral health care during pregnancy. All three fact sheets contain lists of additional resources. Spanish-language versions are available from the Web site.

Contact: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Oral Health Program, P.O. Box 83720, 450 West State

Street, Boise, ID 83720-0036. Telephone: (800) 926-2588; Web site: http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/portal/alias__Rainbow/lang__en-US/tabID__3494/DesktopDefault.aspx. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/portal/alias__Rainbow/lang__en-US/tabID__3494/DesktopDefault.aspx.

MOBILE-PORTABLE DENTAL MANUAL

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, with American Association for Community Dental Programs. 2007. *Mobile-Portable Dental Manual*. New Bern, NC: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors.

This manual focuses on using public health approaches to create health care systems to serve populations that have difficulty accessing the traditional system of oral health service delivery. Cross-references and links to the companion tool, *Safety Net Dental Clinic Manual*, provide basic principles of designing, staffing, operating, and financing oral health care services, regardless of the type of delivery system used. Chapter content, presented in a question-and-answer format, helps to guide decisions about using mobile vehicles, portable equipment, or a combination system. Links to other Web sites and resources, tips, photographs and floor plans, lists of equipment and vehicle manufacturers, examples of existing programs, and references are included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, 105 Westerly Road, New Bern, NC 28560. Telephone: (252) 637-6333; fax: (252) 637-3343; e-mail: dperkins@astdd.org; Web site: <http://www.astdd.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.mobile-portabledentalmanual.com/index.html>.

MY HEALTHY SMILE: SOCIAL SCRIPTS AND TIPS FOR ENCOURAGING ORAL HEALTH

Fraser and Securian. 2007. *My Healthy Smile: Social Scripts and Tips for Encouraging Oral Health*. Minneapolis, MN: Fraser. 1 CD-ROM.

This CD-ROM contains education materials intended for use by oral health professionals in anticipating and easing the anxieties of parents and children, including children with special health care needs, surrounding dental visits. Materials for children include 11 social

scripts presented in a slide show format discussing (1) the reception room, teeth cleaning, X-rays, fillings, braces, and special equipment used by dental office staff; and (2) topics such as losing a tooth, brushing and flossing, eating well, and feeling good about smiling. Materials for parents and other caregivers include tip and information sheets on choosing a dentist, a successful dental visit, and communication tools for the visit. Additional parent-information sheets for use at home include the importance of oral health, nutrition and teeth, teeth grinding and jaw clenching, improving sensory tolerance, toothbrushing activities, and preparing a personalized script. Information for oral health professionals on providing care to children with autism spectrum disorders and the impact of oral sensory processing on oral health care practice is also provided.

Contact: Fraser, 2400 West 64th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55423. Telephone: (612) 861-1688; fax: (612) 861-6050; e-mail: fraser@fraser.org; Web site: <http://www.fraser.org>. \$34.95, plus shipping and handling.

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PARTICIPANT FOLDER

Mid-Atlantic P.A.N.D.A. Coalition. 2007. *Participant Folder*. Mid-Atlantic P.A.N.D.A. Coalition. 5 items.

This information package contains resources designed to assist oral health professionals who practice in Delaware, the District of Columbia, and Maryland in the prevention, identification, and early intervention of abuse and neglect. Contents include a laminated, tri-fold tip card; two booklets (*It Shouldn't Hurt to Go Home* and *Indicators of Child Abuse and Neglect*); a list of child abuse, adult domestic violence, and elder abuse hotlines; and song lyrics.

Contact: Mid-Atlantic P.A.N.D.A. Coalition. Telephone: (443) 276-0127; e-mail: midatlanticpanda@hotmail.com; Web site: <http://www.midatlanticpanda.org>. Available at no charge.

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WOMEN'S ORAL HEALTH ISSUES

American Dental Association, Council on Access, Prevention, and Interprofessional Relations. 2006. *Women's Oral Health Issues*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 46 pp.

This document discusses hormonal effects on the oral cavity during various stages in women's lives, as well as the special oral health needs and considerations that

may be encountered. Problems such as osteoporosis, Sjogren's disease, temporomandibular disorders, eating disorders, and thyroid disease—all of which are prevalent among females—are also addressed. Tables, appendices, references, and recommended readings are also provided.

Contact: Janice Babcock. American Dental Association, Council on Access, Prevention and Interprofessional Relations, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678. Telephone: (312) 440-2673; e-mail: babcockj@ada.org; Web site: <http://www.ada.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.ada.org/prof/resources/topics/healthcare_womens.pdf.

PROGRAMS

ABCD ACCESS TO BABY AND CHILD DENTISTRY PROGRAM: SUPPLEMENTAL BILLING INSTRUCTIONS

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Health and Recovery Services Administration. 2007. *ABCD Access to Baby and Child Dentistry Program: Supplemental Billing Instructions*. Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Health and Recovery Services Administration. Annual.

This manual contains instructions for licensed health professionals, facilities, local health jurisdictions, and border area or out-of-state providers of oral-health-related services for participating in the Washington State Health and Recovery Services Administration's Access to Baby and Child Dentistry (Medicaid) program for infants and children ages 5 and under. Topics include client eligibility, coverage, clients of the Division of Developmental Disabilities, authorization, billing, and completing the claim form. Contacts, definitions, and acronyms are included. Separate billing instructions are available for oral health services provided to children and adolescents ages 5 through 20 and for adults ages 21 and older eligible for Medicaid. A fee schedule is also available.

Contact: Washington State Department of Printing Fulfillment, 902C 79th Avenue, S.E., Tumwater, WA 98501. Telephone: (360) 586-6363; Web site: <https://fortress.wa.gov/prt/printwa/wspert/default.asp>. Available at no charge; also available from the Web site at no charge. http://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/maa/Download/Billing%20Instructions%20Web%20Pages/ABCD_Dental_BI.htm.

**ARIZONA DENTAL SEALANT PROGRAM:
A PREVENTIVE DENTAL PROGRAM (REV. ED.)**

Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Oral Health. 2006. *Arizona Dental Sealant Program: A Preventive Dental Program* (rev. ed.). Phoenix, AZ: Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Oral Health. 1 p.

This fact sheet provides information about Arizona's program to increase the percentage of children with dental sealants and reduce the proportion of children who have ever had tooth decay. Topics include reviews of the program objectives, history, current funding, eligibility, program staff, and implementation process. The fact sheet provides the number of children, schools, and counties participating in the program; the number of children who received dental sealants; and the number of dental sealants placed during the 2005–2006 school year. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Oral Health, State Health Building, Room 205, 1740 West Adams Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Telephone: (602) 542-1866; fax: (602) 542-2936; Web site: <http://www.azdhs.gov/cfhs/ooh>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.azdhs.gov/cfhs/ooh/pdf/programhistorycolor06.pdf>.

**THE BURDEN OF ORAL DISEASE: A TOOL FOR
CREATING STATE DOCUMENTS**

Tomar SL, Hines B, Levy LR. 2006. *The Burden of Oral Disease: A Tool for Creating State Documents*. Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

This reference tool is designed to assist states with creating a comprehensive document that describes the state's burden of oral disease. The tool provides users with data on a broad range of indicators related to national and state oral health objectives, focusing on the indicators contained in the National Oral Health Surveillance System and other recommended elements using *Healthy People 2010* indicators. The tool includes an outline, example text, national data, and references that can be used to document the prevalence of oral disease, unmet oral health needs, and disparities in oral health. Each chapter includes background information on oral disease and conditions, as well as basic tables and examples of data displayed as bar charts. This tool is not prescriptive; the text can be freely edited or sup-

plemented, and data-presentation methods may be altered. In addition, the tool includes an appendix with sample fact sheets and policy briefs. A calendar of expected data release dates from national surveys is also provided. Updates are made available on the Web site as they are released. A CD-ROM version is available for state programs.

Contact: National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway, N.E., Mailstop F-10, Atlanta, GA 30341-3717. Telephone: (770) 488-6054, (888) CDC-FACT (232-3228), (888) CDC-FAXX (232-3299); e-mail: oralhealth@cdc.gov; Web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/OralHealth>. Available at no charge from the Web site; state programs may order a CD-ROM version by sending a request to oralhealth@cdc.gov; <http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/library/burdenbook/index.htm>.

**DENTAL PROGRAM FOR CLIENTS THROUGH AGE 20:
BILLING INSTRUCTIONS**

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Health and Recovery Services Administration. 2007. *Dental Program for Clients Through Age 20: Billing Instructions*. Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Health and Recovery Services Administration. Annual.

This manual contains instructions for participating in the Washington State Health and Recovery Services Administration's (Medicaid) dental program for children and adolescents ages 5 through 20. Topics include client eligibility, coverage, clients of the Division of Developmental Disabilities, authorization, billing, and completing the claim form. Contacts, definitions, and acronyms are included. Separate billing instructions for services provided to infants and children ages 5 and under and fee schedules are also available.

Contact: Washington State Department of Printing Fulfillment, 902C 79th Avenue, S.E., Tumwater, WA 98501. Telephone: (360) 586-6363; Web site: <https://fortress.wa.gov/prt/printwa/wsprt/default.asp>. Available at no charge; also available at no charge from the Web site at http://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/maa/Download/Billing%20Instructions%20Web%20Pages/Dental_Program_21+.htm.

**HEAD START PROGRAM INFORMATION REPORT:
2007 USER'S GUIDE**

Xtria. 2007. *Head Start Program Information Report: 2007 User's Guide*. Vienna, VA: Xtria. 66 pp.

This user's guide is intended to help Head Start staff complete the 2007 Program Information Report (PIR), a survey that all programs are required to complete annually. The guide, which is available as a Web or desktop application, includes computer screens that correspond to items in the PIR. Item-by-item guidance supplements reporting instructions. Additional guidance is provided for items that are more difficult to interpret and those that cause the most reporting errors. The guidance explains the intent of the questions, provides examples, and includes definitions of important terms. The information provided in the guide is intended to result in more consistent reporting among programs.

Contact: Xtria, 8045 Leesburg Pike, Suite 400, Vienna, VA 22182-2796. Telephone: (703) 821-6000; fax: (703) 821-3989; Web site: <http://www.xtria.com>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.xtria.com/pir/pir2007_users_guide.pdf.

**HUSKY A DENTAL CARE: AVOIDING THE
REPERCUSSIONS OF POOR DENTAL CARE FOR
CHILDREN ON MEDICAID**

Douglass J. 2007. *HUSKY A Dental Care: Avoiding the Repercussions of Poor Dental Care for Children on Medicaid*. New Britain, CT: Connecticut Health Foundation. 4 pp.

This policy brief summarizes findings on the low utilization rate of oral health services among children enrolled in HUSKY A, Connecticut's Medicaid program, and the repercussions of poor oral health care for children. Topics include barriers to receiving oral health care services, potential solutions, the need to evaluate changes in context, and raising Medicaid reimbursement rates. Data tables and conclusions are also provided.

Contact: Connecticut Health Foundation, 74B Vine Street, New Briton, CT 06052. Telephone: (860) 224-2200; fax: (860) 224-2230; e-mail: info@cthealth.org; Web site: <http://www.cthealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cthealth.org/matriarch/DocumentViewDirect.asp_Q_PageName_E_Oral+Health+02142007.

I-SMILE ORAL HEALTH COORDINATOR HANDBOOK

Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 2007. *I-Smile Oral Health Coordinator Handbook*. Des Moines, IA: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 1 v.

This handbook is intended to assist the oral health coordinator in providing primary prevention and care-coordination services for vulnerable children and their families in Iowa. Selected topics include the dental home and dental caries screening and treatment services. The handbook contains an overview of Iowa's I-Smile program, oral health service guidelines, oral-health-education guidelines, sample forms, resources, and a glossary of acronyms.

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>. Available for loan.

IHS HEAD START ORAL HEALTH TOOLKIT

Indian Health Service, Head Start Program. 2007. *IHS Head Start Oral Health Toolkit*. Albuquerque, NM: Indian Health Service, Head Start Program. 15 pp.

The toolkit contains practical ideas and resources to assist Head Start programs in (1) meeting their program performance standards in the area of oral health and (2) planning and implementing interventions to promote oral health for American Indian and Alaska native children and their families. The resources focus on dental caries prevention at three key points of intervention: pregnancy, birth to age 2, and ages 2-5. Topics include the written health plan; the dental home; oral health assessments; dental treatment; topical fluoride programs; the dental emergency plan; the integration of nutrition and oral health services; oral health education for children, parents, and staff; family partnerships; the health advisory committee; and primary prevention. The toolkit is intended to be a companion to *Oral Health for Head Start Children: Best Practices*, which presents evidence-based approaches and interventions designed to assist Head Start administrators and staff and medical, dental, and community health staff in working together to effectively improve the oral health of American Indian and Alaska native children and their families.

Contact: Indian Health Service, Head Start Program, 801 Vassar Drive, N.E., Albuquerque, NM 87106. Telephone: (505) 248-7694; Web site: <http://www.ihs.gov/NonMedicalPrograms/HeadStart>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/IHS_OHToolkit.pdf.

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IMPACT AND VALUE: TELLING YOUR PROGRAM'S STORY—LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE DIVISION OF ORAL HEALTH AND ITS PARTNERS

Lavinghouze SR, Price AW. 2007. *Impact and Value: Telling Your Program's Story—Lessons Learned from the Division of Oral Health and Its Partners*. Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 52 pp.

This workbook helps public health program administrators systematically document program achievements, pull together details into a coherent narrative, and use “success stories” to generate program support. The workbook is divided into two parts. Part 1 contains information on what a success story is, why it is important to tell success stories, and how to develop an effective success story. Part 2 contains a template that can be used to collect success stories. Several examples of success stories from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Division of Oral Health grantees are included.

Contact: National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway, N.E., Mailstop F-10, Atlanta, GA 30341-3717. Telephone: (770) 488-6054, (888) CDC-FACT (232-3228), (888) CDC-FAXX (232-3299); e-mail: oralhealth@cdc.gov; Web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/OralHealth>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/library/pdf/success_story_workbook.pdf.

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IMPROVING MAINECARE DENTAL ACCESS FOR MAINE CHILDREN: 9TH ANNUAL REPORT TO THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Office of MaineCare Services. 2007. *Improving MaineCare Dental Access for Maine Children: 9th Annual Report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services*. Augusta, ME: Maine Department of

Health and Human Services, Office of MaineCare Services. 20 pp.

This report was issued to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services in response to a legislative initiative to ensure that children enrolled in the state Medicaid program, MaineCare, have the same access to oral health care as children who have private dental insurance. Contents include a letter to the committee from the MaineCare Program Director, issues in oral health care in the state, outreach efforts to members and oral health professionals, and participation in oral health forums.

Contact: Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Office of MaineCare Services, 11 State House Station, 442 Civic Center Drive, Augusta, ME 04333-0011. Telephone: (800) 606-0215, (202) 287-9202; Web site: <http://www.maine.gov/bms/index.shtml>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/bms/pdfs_doc/reports/dental_complete_report_2006.doc.

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K-12 ORAL HEALTH EDUCATION CURRICULUM

Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Oral Health Program. 2007. *K-12 Oral Health Education Curriculum*. Jefferson City, MO: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Oral Health Program. 8 PowerPoint presentations.

This oral-health-education curriculum is designed for use with students in kindergarten through grade 12 in Missouri. The curriculum comprises the following eight PowerPoint presentations: Oral Health and the Lemony Lion (kindergarten), Brush Away Tooth Decay (grade 1), Tooth Safety (grade 2), Making Snack Time Fun Time (grade 3), and Introduction to Orthodontics (grade 4). Presentations are also provided for grade 5, grades 6-8, and grades 9-12. The presentations are intended for use by school nurses, teachers, and other health and education professionals in conjunction with the health-education curriculum.

Contact: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Oral Health Program, Primary Care and Rural Health, P.O. Box 570, Jefferson City, MO. Telephone: (573) 751-6219, (800) 891-7415; fax: (573) 522-8146; e-mail: info@dhss.mo.gov; Web site: <http://www.dhss.mo.gov/oralhealth>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.dhss.mo.gov/oralhealth/OralHealthEducation.html>.

MEDICAID: CONCERNS REMAIN ABOUT SUFFICIENCY OF DATA FOR OVERSIGHT OF CHILDREN'S DENTAL SERVICES—TESTIMONY

Government Accountability Office. 2007. *Medicaid: Concerns Remain About Sufficiency of Data for Oversight of Children's Dental Services—Testimony*. Washington, DC: Government Accountability Office. 17 pp.

This testimony examines the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' (CMS's) oversight of oral health care for children from families with low incomes who are enrolled in Medicaid. The testimony is based on the following: (1) reports that the Government Accountability Office (GAO) issued from 2000 to 2003; (2) interviews conducted in April 2007 with officials from CMS, state Medicaid programs (i.e., California, Illinois, Minnesota, New York, Washington), and national health associations; and (3) a review of literature provided by officials from CMS and other organizations. The testimony addresses the data that CMS requires states to submit on the provision of Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) dental services and the extent to which the data are sufficient for CMS oversight of the provision of these services. Background information on EPSDT services and Medicaid delivery and financing, concluding observations, contacts, and related GAO products are included.

Contact: Government Accountability Office, 441 G Street, N.W., Room LM, Washington, DC 20548. Telephone: (202) 512-6000; fax: (202) 512-6061; Web site: <http://www.gao.gov>. Available at no charge for first copy, additional copies \$2 each. Document code: GAO-07-826T. Also available from the Web site at no charge at <http://www.gao.gov/cgi-bin/getrpt?GAO-07-826T>.

MEDICAID EPSDT: STATE INNOVATION LEADS TO IMPROVED ORAL HEALTH PARTICIPATION RATES

Perkins J. 2007. *Medicaid EPSDT: State Innovation Leads to Improved Oral Health Participation Rates*. Chapel Hill, NC: National Health Law Program.

This report provides an overview of child oral-health-screening rates and summarizes initiatives to increase children's utilization of oral health care through the Medicaid Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) program in six states, including Alabama, Indiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Vermont, and Washington. Data are drawn from states' reports of participation rates on the uniform EPSDT reporting form (CMS Form-416) and presented in

tables. The data include the percentage of children who received a well-child screen and who received oral health services in 2004 and 2005. Steps that states have taken to implement programs and initiatives designed to increase access to oral health care for children eligible for Medicaid are presented.

Contact: National Health Law Program, Chapel Hill, North Carolina Office, 211 North Columbia Street, Second Floor, Chapel Hill, NC 27514. Telephone: (919) 968-6308; fax: (919) 968-8855; e-mail: nhelp@healthlaw.org; Web site: <http://www.healthlaw.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.healthlaw.org/library.cfm?fa=download&resourceID=98415&print>.

NEIGHBORHOOD SMILES TOOLKIT

Massachusetts Department of Health, Office of Oral Health. 2007. *Neighborhood Smiles Toolkit*. Boston, MA: Massachusetts Department of Health, Office of Oral Health. 11 items.

This toolkit provides materials for use by non-oral-health professionals as part of an early-intervention program targeting children from birth to age 5 who are at risk for oral disease. Contents include a fact sheet outlining the Neighborhood Smiles program, the kit's components, and how to use the kit; a one-page flyer with pictures depicting a healthy mouth, dental sealants, and common oral health problems to look for; and several copies of a risk-assessment form for use during oral health screenings for an individual child. The kit also includes eight cards to inform parents and caregivers about appropriate oral health practices and warning signs of early childhood caries.

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.

ORAL HEALTH FOR HEAD START CHILDREN: BEST PRACTICES

Indian Health Service, Head Start Program. 2007. *Oral Health for Head Start Children: Best Practices*. Albuquerque, NM: Indian Health Service, Head Start Program. 12 pp.

This document presents evidence-based approaches and interventions designed to assist Head Start administrators and staff and medical, dental, and community health staff in working together to effectively improve the oral health of American Indian and Alaska Native children and their families. The document focuses on dental caries prevention at three key points of intervention: pregnancy, birth to age 2, and ages 2–5. A companion toolkit containing practical ideas and resources is also available.

Contact: Indian Health Service, Head Start Program, 801 Vassar Drive, N.E., Albuquerque, NM 87106. Telephone: (505) 248-7694; Web site: <http://www.ihs.gov/NonMedicalPrograms/HeadStart>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/IHS_OHBestPractices.pdf.

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ORAL HEALTH: PREVENTING CAVITIES, GUM DISEASE, AND TOOTH LOSS (REV. ED.)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 2007. *Oral Health: Preventing Cavities, Gum Disease, and Tooth Loss* (rev. ed.). Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 4 pp.

This fact sheet provides an overview of oral health problems among children and adults in the United States, and of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC's) national leadership to improve oral health. Topics in the current edition include building capacity in the states, encouraging effective uses of fluoride, and promoting use of dental sealants. Information is included about CDC's efforts to help states improve oral health by focusing on adult oral health, guiding infection control in dentistry, supporting a national research network, and monitoring oral health in America. Future directions are also discussed.

Contact: National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway, N.E., Mailstop F-10, Atlanta, GA 30341-3717. Telephone: (770) 488-6054, (888) CDC-FACT (232-3228), (888) CDC-FAXX (232-3299); e-mail: oralhealth@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/nccdphp/publications/aag/pdf/oh.pdf>.

ORAL HEALTH RESOURCES AND INFORMATION FOR KANSAS MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

McGlasson D. 2006. *Oral Health Resources and Information for Kansas Medical Professionals*. Hutchinson, KS: United Methodist Health Ministry Fund. 11 pp.

This reference guide focuses on oral health referral sources and fluoride varnish information and resources for non-oral-health professionals. The guide was adapted from a 2004 supplement to the American Association of Family Physicians Home Study Monogram to encourage the expansion of oral health preventive measures in Kansas. Topics include the role of fluoride varnish in preventing tooth decay; indications for the use of fluoride varnish; the importance of fluoride; the safety, history, advantages, and disadvantages of fluoride varnish; and fluoride-varnish products and protocols. A list of suggested equipment and materials and steps in applying fluoride varnish are included. A quick reference guide to fluoride varnish facts; online oral-health-training information; definitions for non-oral-health professionals; and a list of fact sheets, pamphlets, journal articles, and other publications are also provided.

Contact: United Methodist Health Ministry Fund, P.O. Box 1384, 100 East First, Hutchinson, KS 67504-1384. Telephone: (800) 369-7191, (316) 662-8586; e-mail: healthfund@healthfund.org; Web site: <http://www.healthfund.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.kdheks.gov/ohi/download/Fluoride_Varnish_Insert_Final.pdf.

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PROGRAM REVIEW: 2006

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Oral Health. 2006. *Program Review: 2006*. Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Oral Health. Annual.

This annual report provides an overview of the activities and accomplishments of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Oral Health. Regular features include an organization chart, a staff list, and a division profile. Priorities are outlined, and accomplishments are presented in several parts. Topics include capacity-building in state programs and in monitoring; efforts to strengthen prevention strategies; and dissemination of data, findings, and effective prevention policies. Additional sections include selected state examples, future directions, publications produced, and scientific observations.

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>. Single photocopies available at no charge.

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PUBLIC HEALTH SUPERVISION AGREEMENT

Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 2007. *Public Health Supervision Agreement*. Des Moines, IA: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 6 pp.

This form is used to report to the Iowa Bureau of Oral Health a collaborative agreement between a dentist and a dental hygienist to allow the hygienist to provide services to individuals in public health settings before the individuals are examined by dentists. Data include parties to the agreement; locations where services will be provided; consultation requirements; dental records; individual considerations; and standing orders for oral prophylaxis, oral health education, risk assessment and oral health screening, fluoride varnish, dental sealants, and other oral health services. Additional materials are available from the Web site.

Contact: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0075. Telephone: (515) 281-3733; fax: (515) 242-6013; Web site: http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/oral_health.asp. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/common/pdf/oral_health/sample_agreement.pdf.

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REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY: DENTAL CARE ACCESS UNDER HEALTHCHOICE

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. 2006. *Report to the General Assembly: Dental Care Access Under HealthChoice*. Baltimore, MD: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. 18 pp.

This document addresses legislatively mandated annual reporting requirements on the provision of oral health services to pregnant women enrolled in Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) in Maryland. Topics include the availability and accessibility of dentists throughout Maryland participating in the Maryland Medical Assistance program, the outcomes achieved by

MCOs, including dental MCOs, in reaching the utilization targets, and the allocation and use of oral health funding. The report also includes information on public health initiatives administered by the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Office of Oral Health to increase access to oral health care, as well as the department's 5-year oral health plan.

Contact: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, 201 West Preston Street, Baltimore, MD 21201. Telephone: (410) 767-6500, (877) 463-3464; Web site: <http://www.dhmh.state.md.us>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://dhmh.md.gov/mma/pdf/Dental%20JCR%20-%20Final%201004.pdf>.

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RESOURCE GUIDE

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Oral Health Program. 2007. *Resource Guide*. Denver, CO: Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Oral Health Program. 101 pp.

This guide to oral health resources is organized by selected topic (diabetes, oral cancer); setting (elementary school, middle school, high school); and population (infants and young children, adults, women and pregnant women, seniors). A miscellaneous section contains an emergency oral health care flip chart, a child abuse and neglect manual, an oral health curriculum, and a resource on oral care for people with developmental disabilities. The title, media type, author, date, audience, summary, language, and ordering information are provided for each entry. The guide concludes with an index and a table containing descriptions and Web sites of federal and state agencies and national organizations.

Contact: Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Oral Health Program, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive, South, PSD-OH-A4, Denver, CO 80246. Telephone: (303) 692-2470; fax: (303) 758-3448; e-mail: cdphe.psdrequests@state.co.us; Web site: <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/pp/oralhealth/OralHealth.html>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/pp/oralhealth/OralHealthResourceGuide.pdf>.

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SEAL AMERICA: THE PREVENTION INVENTION (2ND ED.)

Carter NL, with American Association for Community Dental Programs and National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 2007. *Seal America: The*

Prevention Invention (2nd ed.). Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

This manual is designed to assist health professionals in initiating and implementing a school-based dental sealant program to help prevent dental caries in children. The second edition of the online manual provides practical guidance for individuals who wish to start a school-based dental sealant program and addresses sustainability issues and issues related to referring students with unmet oral health needs to a dentist. Established school-based dental sealant program staff may also find the manual of interest as they work to improve specific aspects of their program. Contents include an introduction and information about getting started, gaining and maintaining community support, staffing, purchasing dental equipment and supplies, funding, developing forms and records, tracking students, collecting and analyzing data, preparing to launch, implementing the program, referral and follow-up, and program evaluation. A streaming videotape segment titled *Seal in a Smile* is also included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.mchoralhealth.org/Seal>.

SMILES: SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHILDREN'S DENTAL DISEASE PREVENTION PROGRAM

San Diego County Children's Dental Disease Prevention Program. 2007. *SMILES: San Diego County Children's Dental Disease Prevention Program*. San Diego, CA: San Diego County Children's Dental Disease Prevention Program.

This Web site is designed for use by participants in the SMILES program, the San Diego County, California, school-based oral-health-education program aimed at preventing oral disease among students in kindergarten through grade 6. Information about the SMILES program, program documents and forms, and links are provided. Materials for students emphasize oral-disease prevention and health promotion and include a list of children's books about teeth; facts on dental sealants, fluoride varnish, mouth guards, and tooth eruption; and instructions for brushing and flossing. Activity

materials for students (puzzles, word lists, games, puppets, worksheets, songbooks, storybooks) are also provided. Some materials are available in Spanish.

Contact: Cindy Muehleisen. San Diego County Children's Dental Disease Prevention Program, c/o San Diego County Office of Education, 6401 Linda Vista Road, San Diego, CA 92111. Telephone: (619) 718-3104; fax: (619) 718-3103; e-mail: muehleis@sdcoe.net; Web site: <http://www.sdcoe.k12.ca.us/smiles/welcome.asp>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.sdcoe.k12.ca.us/smiles/welcome.asp>.

SOUTH DAKOTA GREAT FACES. GREAT SMILES: AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION

South Dakota Dental Association. 2006. *South Dakota Great Faces. Great Smiles: An Ounce of Prevention*. Pierre, SD: South Dakota Dental Association. 5 items.

This kit includes a program description and campaign materials for a collaborative effort of the South Dakota Oral Health Coalition to improve the oral health of children in underserved communities through oral health education. Contents include a summary of the project with a description of goals and measurable objectives, an evaluation, a discussion of replication and portability, and a budget outline (including a sustainability plan); two posters; a brochure; and presentation slides for desktop use (printed and on a CD-ROM). [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: South Dakota Dental Association, 804 North Euclid Avenue, Suite 103, P.O. Box 1194, Pierre, SD 57501. Telephone: (605) 224-9133; fax: (605) 224-9168; Web site: <http://www.sddental.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at [http://www.sddental.org/UserFiles/web%20discription\(1\).pdf](http://www.sddental.org/UserFiles/web%20discription(1).pdf).

TOOTH TIMES: AN ORAL HEALTH CURRICULUM FOR KINDERGARTEN–GRADE 6 DESCRIPTION

Maine Bureau of Health, Oral Health Program. 2006. *Tooth Times: An Oral Health Curriculum for Kindergarten–Grade 6 Description*. Augusta, ME: Maine Bureau of Health, Oral Health Program. 1 p.

This fact sheet describes an oral health curriculum developed as part of a comprehensive school-health-education program in Maine. Topics include the curriculum format, methodologies, components, and topics.

Contact information for obtaining print copies of the curriculum is also provided.

Contact: Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Oral Health Program, 11 State House Station, Key Plaza, 286 Water Street, Fifth Floor, Augusta, ME 04333. Telephone: (207) 287-2361, (800) 698-3624, (800) 438-5514; fax: (207) 287-7213; Web site: <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/bohdcfh/odh/newindex.htm>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/bohdcfh/odh/documents/ToothTimesDescription.pdf>.

WATCH YOUR MOUTH MASSACHUSETTS CAMPAIGN MATERIALS

Watch Your Mouth Coalition. 2006. *Watch Your Mouth Massachusetts Campaign Materials*. Boston, MA: Watch Your Mouth Coalition. 13 items.

This kit includes materials for advocates in Massachusetts to use in promoting the importance of oral health for overall health, especially among children. Contents include a letter of introduction to the Watch Your Mouth campaign, a fact sheet on children's oral health nationally and in Massachusetts, an order form for materials, a brochure, six posters, and a button and stickers.

Contact: Watch Your Mouth Campaign. Telephone: (866) 996-6884; Web site: <http://watchyourmouth.org>. Contact for cost information.

PUBLIC EDUCATION

AGES AND STAGES

Health Starts Here—Easy Steps to Oral Health ESOH. 2006. *Ages and Stages*. Ventura, CA: Health Starts Here—Easy Steps to Oral Health ESOH. 1 DVD-ROM.

This DVD for families includes four 15-minute segments about oral health behaviors, home practices, and the importance of oral health in children. The segments are titled “Cavity Free Families” (for expecting families or families with infants from birth to age 1), “Look at My Teeth” (for families with children ages 1–2), and “Fluoride Use Guidelines and My Trip to the Dentist” (for families with children ages 2–5). The DVD may be set on single-play mode for use in the home, classrooms, one-on-one interventions, and group outreach sessions, or on endless-loop mode for use at community health

fairs and in waiting rooms. Clips from the segments may be previewed on the *Easy Steps to Oral Health* Web site. The DVD was field-tested in several California communities and is available in English and Spanish.

Contact: Health Starts Here—Easy Steps to Oral Health ESOH, 2300 Allesandro Drive, Suite 100, Ventura, CA 90280. Telephone: (805) 653-6000; fax: (805) 653-6077; Web site: <http://www.easystepstooralhealth.com>. \$17.67. Clips from the DVD's segments may be viewed at <https://www.easystepstooralhealth.com/index.php?option=content&task=view&id=5&Itemid=27>. The DVD may be ordered from the ESOH Online Store at https://www.easystepstooralhealth.com/index.php?option=com_phpshop&page=shop.browse&category_id=c2f4461f3798f3de0ef6f800c0927238.

ASK YOUR PEDIATRIC DENTIST ABOUT: SEALANTS

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. 2007. *Ask Your Pediatric Dentist About: Sealants*. Chicago, IL: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. 1 p.

This brochure for the public answers questions about dental sealants, what they are, how long they last, what treatment is like, cost factors, which teeth are sealed, and the importance of continued brushing and flossing. It is available in English and Spanish. The Spanish version was published in 2003.

Contact: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 1700, Chicago, IL 60611-2663. Telephone: (312) 337-2169; fax: (312) 337-6329; e-mail: jrutkauskas@aapd.org; Web site: <http://www.aapd.org>. Available in packs of 100 for \$45 (members), \$54 (nonmembers); English version also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.aapd.org/publications/brochures/sealants.asp>. Spanish version may be ordered from the online store at <http://eservices.aapd.org/scripts/mgrqispi.dll?APPNAME=AAPDWEB&PRGNAME=TOCFRAME&ARGUMENTS=-N,-N,-A,-A,-N50>.

BABY YOUR BABY, MIND YOUR MOUTH, SEE YOUR DENTIST

Utah Department of Health, Intermountain Healthcare, ADA Foundation. 2007. *Baby Your Baby, Mind Your Mouth, See Your Dentist*. Salt Lake City, UT: Utah Department of Health. 1 digital videorecording (30 sec.).

This digital videorecording focuses on the importance of an infant's first visit to the dentist. The videorecording was developed as a collaborative project of Utah's Baby Your Baby and Mind Your Mouth public-awareness campaigns for pregnant and parenting women. Information is presented on how the dentist can help parents take the necessary steps for developing healthy oral habits for their infant.

Contact: Utah Department of Health, P.O. Box 1010, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-1010. Telephone: (801) 538-6101; Web site: <http://hlunix.hl.state.ut.us>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.babyyourbaby.org/byb_images/movies/byb_oral%20health_new.mpf.

BORN TO BRUSH

Miller RP. 2006. *Born to Brush*. Burlington, VT: Vermont Department of Health, Office of Oral Health. 1 DVD-ROM (7 min.).

This DVD-ROM contains brief segments that provide instruction on oral health care for young children. The main messages include the following: (1) the bacteria that cause dental caries may be transmitted from a parent or other caregiver to a young child, (2) daily oral hygiene is important for the whole family, (3) infants should have their first dental visit by age 1, and (4) there are healthy alternatives to bedtime bottles of milk or formula. Specific information and examples are offered to support the messages. Case studies are used to introduce topics, and one montage shows a child experiencing her first dental visit.

Contact: Jess Wilson. CCTV Productions, 294 North Winooski Avenue, Burlington, VT 05401. Telephone: (802) 862-1645, ext. 15; Web site: <http://www.cctv.org>. \$15 plus \$3.50 shipping and handling, bulk discounts available. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://real21mt.audiovideoweb.com/ramgen/avwebmt1257/borntobrush706.rm>.

DENTAL GRILLS

American Dental Association. 2006-. *Dental Grills*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 2 pp.

This fact sheet provides information for health professionals and the general public on dental grills, decorative covers often made of gold, silver, or jewel-encrusted

precious metals that snap over one or more teeth. Background information on the trend and how to prevent potential oral health problems associated with dental grills are presented. Links to additional resources are also provided.

Contact: American Dental Association, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678. Telephone: (312) 440-2500; fax: (312) 440-7494; e-mail: info@ada.org; Web site: <http://www.ada.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.ada.org/public/topics/grills.asp>.

DENTAL HEALTH FACT SHEETS

Tennessee Department of Health, Oral Health Services Section. 2007. *Dental Health Fact Sheets*. Nashville, TN: Tennessee Department of Health, Oral Health Services Section.

This Web page provides links to selected public health information on oral health and oral health care for infants, children, adolescents, women who are pregnant, their families, and other caregivers. Topics include healthy oral development, the importance and care of children's teeth, primary and permanent tooth eruption, early childhood caries, fluoride, dental sealants, mouth guards, nutrition, pregnancy, preventing tooth decay and periodontal disease, oral injury prevention, and tobacco use.

Contact: Tennessee Department of Health, Oral Health Services Section, Cordell Hull Building, Ground Floor, 425 Fifth Avenue, North, Nashville, TN 37243. Telephone: (615) 741-8618; e-mail: TN.health@state.tn.us; Web site: <http://www2.state.tn.us/health/oralhealth/index.html>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www2.state.tn.us/health/oralhealth/fact.htm>.

FINDING LOW-COST DENTAL CARE

National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 2006. *Finding Low-Cost Dental Care*. Bethesda, MD: National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 2 pp.

This fact sheet describes resources for locating oral health treatment for those without health insurance. Resources discussed include clinical trials, dental schools, the Bureau of Primary Health Care, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, state and local resources, and the United Way.

Contact: National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Room 2C39, 31 Center Drive, MSC2290, Bethesda, MD 20892. Telephone: (301) 496-4261; fax: (301) 496-9988; e-mail: nidcrinfo@mail.nih.gov; Web site: <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov>. Available at no charge (limit 50 copies). Document code: NIH Pub. No. 07-6097. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/NR/rdonlyres/53F91091-23DB-47F3-8782-6572C33F9D42/0/LowCostFactsheet.pdf>.

GRINS AND GAMES WITH TOOTH CARE TIPS FOR KIDS

Coca-Cola Company, American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, and American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation. 2007. *Grins and Games with Tooth Care Tips for Kids*. Chicago, IL: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation. 12 pp.

This illustrated activity booklet is designed to educate families about different ways to maintain healthy teeth, with an emphasis on the use of fluoridated water. The booklet features animated, full-color illustrations, puzzles, and games to reinforce correct oral health habits.

Contact: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 1700, Chicago, IL 60611-2663. Telephone: (312) 337-2169; fax: (312) 337-6329; e-mail: jrutkauskas@aapd.org; Web site: <http://www.aapd.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.aapd.org/foundation/pdfs/2007GrinsGames.pdf>.

MILK MATTERS WITH BUDDY BRUSH

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 2006. *Milk Matters with Buddy Brush*. Rockville, MD: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. 16 pp.

This coloring book is designed to teach children ages 4–8 about the importance of calcium for building strong teeth and a healthy body. The booklet, part of the federal Milk Matters public-health-education campaign and We Can! program, explains why calcium is critical to good health and healthy teeth and outlines how to take good care of teeth. A list of foods that are high in calcium and that can be an excellent part of a healthy diet is provided at the end of the book.

Contact: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Information Resource Center, P.O. Box 3006, Rockville, MD 20847. Telephone: (800) 370-2943; fax: (301) 984-1473; e-mail: NICHDIInformationResourceCenter@mail.nih.gov; Web site: <http://www.nichd.nih.gov>. Call to order. Document code: NIH Pub. No. 06-4522. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.nichd.nih.gov/publications/pubs/upload/mm_with_buddy_brush_2006.pdf.

MOUTH AND TEETH: HOW TO KEEP THEM HEALTHY

American Academy of Family Physicians. 2007. *Mouth and Teeth: How to Keep Them Healthy*. Leawood, KS: American Academy of Family Physicians.

This oral-health-education Web page provides tips for taking care of the mouth and teeth throughout the lifespan. The content emphasizes the importance of regular oral hygiene and dental visits for infants and children, adolescents, and adults. The Web page is available in English and in Spanish.

Contact: American Academy of Family Physicians, 11400 Tomahawk Creek Parkway, Leawood, KS 66211-2672. Telephone: (913) 906-6000; (800) 274-2237; e-mail: fp@aafp.org; Web site: <http://www.aafp.org>. Available at no charge (limit 50 copies); also available from the Web site at no charge at <http://familydoctor.org/online/famdocen/home/healthy/prevention/100.html>.

PROTECTING THE HEALTH OF YOUR UNBORN BABY: TOOTH AND GUM CARE DURING PREGNANCY

Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. 2006. *Protecting the Health of Your Unborn Baby: Tooth and Gum Care During Pregnancy*. Boise, ID: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. 2 pp.

This brochure provides information for pregnant women on the importance of oral health and routine oral health care during pregnancy. Topics include oral hygiene, oral health care, and the prevention of gingivitis and periodontal disease. Available in English and Spanish. A companion brochure for health professionals is also available.

Contact: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Oral Health Program, P.O. Box 83720, 450 West State Street, Boise, ID 83720-0036. Telephone: (800) 926-

2588; Web site: http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/portal/alias__Rainbow/lang__en-US/tabID__3494/DesktopDefault.aspx. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/DesktopModules/Documents/DocumentsView.aspx?tabID=0&ItemID=5493&MIId=12253&wversion=Staging> (English version) and at <http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/DesktopModules/Documents/DocumentsView.aspx?tabID=0&ItemID=6156&MIId=12253&wversion=Staging> (Spanish version).

SHOW ME YOUR SMILE!

Missouri Coalition for Oral Health. 2006. *Show Me Your Smile!* Jefferson City, MO: Missouri Coalition for Oral Health. 4 pp.

This brochure provides information on oral health and oral disease prevention during pregnancy and early childhood (from birth through age 5), with an emphasis on personal prevention practices. The importance of oral health to child and adult well-being is discussed, followed by tips on nutrition and diet, the use of fluorides, and prenatal oral health care. Tips for assessing oral conditions in young children, reducing bacteria transfer, and preventing early childhood caries are also provided. A discussion of the importance of primary teeth to a child's future oral health, a tooth-eruption chart, and four color photographs depicting the stages of tooth decay are included.

Contact: Missouri Coalition for Oral Health, 1400 Rock Quarry Road, Columbia, MO 65211-3280. Telephone: (573) 884-5078; e-mail: info@mocoh.org; Web site: <http://mocoh.org>. \$2.00 each; also available at no charge from the Web site at http://mocoh.org/upload_images/ShowMeYourSmile.pdf (brochure); http://mocoh.org/upload_images/ShowMeYourSmileOrderForm.pdf (order form).

STATE REPORTS

ARIZONA DENTAL AND DENTAL HYGIENE WORKFORCE SURVEY: 2003–2004

Wacloff JK, White JA, Phipps K. 2007. *Arizona Dental and Dental Hygiene Workforce Survey: 2003–2004*. Phoenix, AZ: Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Oral Health. 9 pp.

This report presents findings from a work force survey of licensed dentists and dental hygienists in Arizona conducted in 2003–2004. The purposes of the survey were to (1) collect federally required information necessary to complete applications for Health Professional Shortage Area designations in a manner convenient to dentists, (2) collect information on items of interest to collaborators, (3) attempt to implement an ongoing method for tracking distribution and practice trends of the oral health work force in Arizona, and (4) compare results to results of the Dental Hygiene Survey conducted in 1996. Contents include the survey purpose and methods, notes on interpretation of the data, and findings. Statistical data are presented in tables, graphs, pie charts, and maps. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Oral Health, State Health Building, Room 205, 1740 West Adams Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Telephone: (602) 542-1866; fax: (602) 542-2936; Web site: <http://www.azdhs.gov/cfhs/ooh>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.azdhs.gov/cfhs/ooh/pdf/workforceSurvey.pdf>.

BURDEN OF ORAL DISEASE IN MICHIGAN

Michigan Department of Community Health, Division of Epidemiology and Division of Family and Community Health. 2006. *Burden of Oral Disease in Michigan*. Lansing, MI: Michigan Department of Community Health, Division of Epidemiology and Division of Family and Community Health. 54 pp.

This report summarizes the current status of oral health in Michigan, documents the burden of disease and disparities in disease and access, and provides comparisons between Michigan data and national data. Topics include national and state oral health objectives, the burden of oral diseases, risk and protective factors for oral diseases, and the provision of oral health services. Conclusions, references, and an appendix of figures and tables containing statistical data are also provided.

Contact: Michigan Department of Community Health, Capitol View Building, 201 Townsend Street, Lansing, MI 48933. Telephone: (517) 373-3740, (517) 373-3573; Web site: <http://www.michigan.gov/mdch>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.michigan.gov/documents/OHBDraft_135603_7.pdf.

**CALIFORNIA SURVEY OF DENTAL HYGIENISTS
2005–2006: DESCRIPTIVE FINDINGS**

University of California, San Francisco, Center for the Health Professions. 2007. *California Survey of Dental Hygienists 2005–2006: Descriptive Findings*. San Francisco, CA: University of California, San Francisco, Center for the Health Professions. 3 items; 57 pp. report, set of 57 PowerPoint slides, 11 pp. survey.

This report presents data for policymakers, work force planners, and educators on the contemporary registered dental hygiene work force in California. Data for the report were drawn from a sample survey of licensed registered dental hygienists in California in 2005–2006. The survey investigated the following major topics: (1) demographic characteristics, (2) geographic distribution, (3) practice characteristics, (4) populations served, (5) scope of practice, (6) productivity and work hours, (7) collaboration with other health professionals, (8) interest in performing in a more independent role, and (9) willingness to provide care in underserved communities. The report is available in print downloadable format and PowerPoint slides. The survey instrument is also available.

Contact: University of California, San Francisco, Center for the Health Professions, 3333 California Street, Suite 410, San Francisco, CA 94118. Telephone: (415) 476-8181; fax: (415) 476-4113; e-mail: coneil@thecenter.ucsf.edu; Web site: <http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu/cchws/rhdsurvey.html>.

CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH IN GEORGIA: PROGRESS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Landers GM, Koskela L, Duval TE. 2007. *Children's Oral Health in Georgia: Progress and Opportunities*. Atlanta, GA: Georgia Health Policy Center. 2 pp.

This issue brief outlines progress in preventing oral disease among children in Georgia and identifies opportunities for improving oral health practices and outcomes. The brief highlights findings on children's oral health status from the 2005 statewide survey of third-grade students, as well as findings on children's access to oral health care services from the 2006 retrospective analysis of Medicaid and PeachCare claims. Two figures present 2000–2005 data on the percentage of children and adolescents (ages 18 and under) enrolled in Medicaid and PeachCare who received preventive services and those who received restorative services, by statewide totals. A conclusion is included.

Contact: Georgia State University, Georgia Health Policy Center, University Plaza, One Park Place, South, Suite 660, Atlanta, GA 30303. Telephone: (404) 651-3104; fax: (404) 651-3147; e-mail: kminyad@gsu.edu; Web site: <http://www.gsu.edu/ghpc>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://health.state.ga.us/pdfs/familyhealth/oral/Policy%20Brief%20OralHealth.pdf>.

DENTAL CARE DURING PREGNANCY: 2005 IDAHO PREGNANCY RISK ASSESSMENT TRACKING SYSTEM

Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Health Policy and Vital Statistics. 2006. *Dental Care During Pregnancy: 2005 Idaho Pregnancy Risk Assessment Tracking System*. Boise, ID: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Health Policy and Vital Statistics. 2 pp.

This brochure provides results from the Idaho Pregnancy Risk Assessment Tracking System. Statistical data are provided in graphs on oral health care of pregnant women by health district, age, whether the pregnancy was intended, household income, payment for delivery, and prenatal care. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Health Policy and Vital Statistics, Health Statistics Unit, P.O. Box 83720, 450 West State Street, First Floor, Boise, ID 83720-0036. Telephone: (800) 926-2588, (208) 334-5977. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Portals/_Rainbow/Documents%5Chealth/DentalCareFactSheet.pdf.

DENTI-CAL FACTS AND FIGURES: A LOOK AT CALIFORNIA'S MEDICAID DENTAL PROGRAM

California HealthCare Foundation. 2007. *Denti-Cal Facts and Figures: A Look at California's Medicaid Dental Program*. Oakland, CA: California HealthCare Foundation. 42 pp.

This report explains how Denti-Cal, Medi-Cal's fee-for-service dental program, is funded and organized, the demographics of the population it serves, and the challenges it faces in making oral health care available to all individuals in California eligible for the program. Topics include coverage and cost, expenditures and services, providers and access, utilization by children and

pregnant women, and challenges and questions. Statistical data are presented in charts, tables, and graphs throughout the report. A glossary, a methodology, and managed care and provider information are also provided.

Contact: California HealthCare Foundation, 476 Ninth Street, Oakland, CA 94607. Telephone: (510) 238-1040; fax: (510) 238-1388; e-mail: info@chcf.org; Web site: <http://www.chcf.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.chcf.org/documents/policy/DentiCalFactsAndFigures.pdf>.

EPSDT DENTAL SERVICES REPORT

Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 1999–2006. *EPSDT Dental Services Report*. Des Moines, IA: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. Annual.

These reports provide annual county-by-county data for oral health services provided to children who are eligible for Medicaid and the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) program in Iowa. Each report provides information on the number of children enrolled in Medicaid who received any oral health services (for covered procedures); those who received preventive services (cleanings, fluoride treatments, dental sealants); and those who received restorative treatment (fillings, crowns, extractions, root canals) within a federal fiscal year (October 1 through September 30). A statewide registry of dentists willing to see individuals enrolled in Iowa's Medicaid program, infants and children ages 3 and under, and children with developmental disabilities is also available.

Contact: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0075. Telephone: (515) 281-3733; fax: (515) 242-6013; Web site: http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/oral_health.asp. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/common/pdf/oral_health/epsdt_2005_report.pdf.

EVALUATION OF THE DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE IN MARYLAND

Children's Dental Health Project. 2006. *Evaluation of the Dental Public Health Infrastructure in Maryland*. Baltimore, MD: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health. 152 pp.

This report describes an evaluation of current programs in the Maryland dental public health infrastructure and makes recommendations to further improve the oral health of Maryland residents. Report contents include an overview of the Office of Oral Health and the Medicaid program in Maryland, an executive summary, a description of the purpose of the evaluation, descriptions of the evaluation design and data-collection and analysis methods, a summary of findings, and an overview of the limitations. Additional sections discuss best practices, trends and gaps in service, and recommendations. Appendices include lists, an agenda, questions, and summary notes from numerous meetings, as well as models used from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Tables provide data on Medicaid utilization and health department data in Maryland and individual counties. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health, 201 West Preston Street, Third Floor, Baltimore, MD 21201. Telephone: (410) 767-5300; fax: (410) 333-7392; e-mail: oralhealth@dhmh.state.md.us; Web site: <http://www.fha.state.md.us/oralhealth>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.fha.state.md.us/oralhealth/pdf/Full_Report.pdf (full report); http://www.fha.state.md.us/oralhealth/pdf/Executive_Summary.pdf (executive summary).

KIDBITS: USING DATA TO DRIVE BETTER OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

DC Action for Children, Children's Advocacy Roundtable. 2007. *KidBits: Using Data to Drive Better Outcomes for Children and Youth*. Washington, DC: Children's Advocacy Roundtable, DC Action for Children. 28 pp.

This report presents findings from the first annual assessment of indicators in each of the District of Columbia's six citywide goals for children and youth to provide officials and the general public with an objective look at how well the city is meeting the needs of children, youth, and their families. The snapshot presents basic data, brief assessments, and recommendations in the following areas: school readiness, school success, healthy children and youth, youth opportunity, stable families, and transitioning to adulthood.

Contact: DC Action for Children, 1616 P Street, N.W., Suite 420, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 234-9404; fax: (202) 234-9108; e-mail: dcaction@dc.kids.org; Web site: <http://www.dckids.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.dckids.org/>

documents/downloads/KidBitsReportFinal_20070328.pdf.

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**THE MASSACHUSETTS ORAL HEALTH REPORT:
MAPPING ACCESS TO ORAL HEALTH CARE IN
MASSACHUSETTS**

Oral Health Collaborative of Massachusetts. 2006. *The Massachusetts Oral Health Report: Mapping Access to Oral Health Care in Massachusetts*. Boston, MA: Oral Health Collaborative of Massachusetts. Annual.

This annual report provides information on the oral health status of Massachusetts' residents using the format of the National Oral Health Surveillance System. The report contains information about the oral health status of preschool-age children obtained through a series of surveys: (1) a statewide survey to assess the oral health status of children enrolled in Head Start in Massachusetts, (2) a survey to assess the oral health status of children enrolled in Early Head Start in Boston, and (3) a survey to assess the oral health status of very young children receiving pediatric care in Boston. Information is also presented about the oral health visit for children enrolled in Mass Health and about access to community water fluoridation for all Massachusetts residents. An update of the distribution of dentists in the state is also provided, along with other statistical data, which are presented in charts and tables throughout the report.

Contact: Monte Pearson, Director of Communications and Development. Health Care for All, 30 Winter Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02108. Telephone: (617) 350-7279; fax: (617) 350-7545; e-mail: pearson@hcfama.org; Web site: <http://www.hcfama.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at [http://www.hcfama.org/uploads/documents/live/2006 Massachusetts Oral Health Report.pdf](http://www.hcfama.org/uploads/documents/live/2006%20Massachusetts%20Oral%20Health%20Report.pdf).

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MICHIGAN ORAL HEALTH PLAN

Michigan Department of Community Health and Michigan Oral Health Coalition. 2006. *Michigan Oral Health Plan*. Lansing, MI: Michigan Department of Community Health and Michigan Oral Health Coalition. 49 pp.

This document reports on a collaborative effort to address a wide range of oral health issues in Michigan. It outlines goals, objectives, and strategies designed to

engage individuals, communities, and organizations in improving the oral health status of Michigan residents. Topics include the prevalence and risk factors of oral disease, access to oral health care, strategies for preventing oral disease, and oral health programs. An executive summary, an introduction to the *Healthy People 2010* oral health objectives, information about the Michigan Oral Health Coalition, and a list of contributors to Michigan's oral health plan are provided. Also provided are a list of the plan's goals and action steps, a conclusion, and references.

Contact: Michigan Department of Community Health, Capitol View Building, 201 Townsend Street, Lansing, MI 48933. Telephone: (517) 373-3740, (517) 373-3573; Web site: <http://www.michigan.gov/mdch>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.michigan.gov/documents/oral_health_work_plan_final_color_140634_7.pdf.

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**MINNESOTA ORAL HEALTH DATA BOOK: CHILDREN
AND YOUTH**

Minnesota Department of Health, Division of Community and Family Health. 2006. *Minnesota Oral Health Data Book: Children and Youth*. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Department of Health, Division of Community and Family Health. 34 pp.

This report provides an overview of the status of the oral health of Minnesota's children and youth and the care-delivery systems available to them. Contents include descriptions of factors influencing or affected by dental caries, periodontal disease, and a lack of access to oral health care, including socioeconomic factors or work force issues. References are provided at the conclusion of the report, along with additional resources and Web sites. Statistical data are presented in charts and graphs throughout the report.

Contact: Minnesota Department of Health, Community and Family Health Division, Golden Rule Building, 85 East Seventh Place, Box 64882, St. Paul, MN 55164-0882. Telephone: (800) 728-5420; (651) 215-8960; Web site: <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/cfh/oralhealth/oraldatabook.doc>.

RHODE ISLAND ORAL HEALTH PLAN

Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 2006. *Rhode Island Oral Health Plan*. Providence, RI: Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 26 pp.

This plan reviews the history of Rhode Island’s response to the Surgeon General’s call for improving oral health in America and provides a description of priority areas for improving oral health in Rhode Island. It outlines five goals and describes priority strategies and action steps to achieve the goals. Appendices include oral health and other related objectives from the *Healthy People 2010* program as well as a list of contributors to the 2006 Rhode Island Oral Health Plan.

Contact: Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program, 3 Capitol Hill, Room 408, Providence, RI 02908. Telephone: (401) 222-1171; fax: (401) 222-4415; e-mail: maureenr@doh.state.ri.us; Web site: <http://www.health.ri.gov/disease/primarycare/oralhealth/index.php>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.health.ri.gov/disease/primarycare/oralhealth/pdf/RIOHBurden2006.pdf>.

RHODE ISLAND ORAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE PLAN

Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 2006. *Rhode Island Oral Health Surveillance Plan*. Providence, RI: Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 33 pp.

This report describes the oral health surveillance program in Rhode Island to monitor trends in oral disease and the efficacy of preventive services and oral health service utilization and to communicate findings to program evaluators and policymakers. Topics to be monitored include the prevalence of early childhood caries, edentulism, oral and pharyngeal cancer, dental sealant use, water fluoridation, use of fluoride varnish and mouthwash, and use of programs such as RIteCare, Medicaid, and RIteSmiles to access oral health services. Report contents include an introduction to the surveillance system and an outline of system components with accompanying tables. Also provided is a list of abbreviations used in the report, with their definitions. Appendices include background information on national oral health objectives, *Healthy People 2010* oral health objectives, data sets under development, data sets selected for future development, and a management index of Rhode Island and national data sets.

Contact: Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program, 3 Capitol Hill, Room 408, Providence, RI 02908. Telephone: (401) 222-1171; fax: (401) 222-4415; e-mail: maureenr@doh.state.ri.us; Web site: <http://www.health.ri.gov/disease/primarycare/oralhealth/index.php>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.health.ri.gov/disease/primarycare/oralhealth/pdf/RIOHSurveillancePlan2006.pdf>.

SNAPSHOT OF ORAL HEALTH IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Clarke J. 2007. *Snapshot of Oral Health in South Dakota*. Pierre, SD: South Dakota Department of Health. 22 pp.

This report summarizes information available on the status of oral health in South Dakota. The report is a joint effort between the South Dakota Oral Health Program, Delta Dental Plan of South Dakota, the South Dakota Dental Association, and Indian Health Services to monitor trends over time and document improvements in oral health among the residents of South Dakota. Topics include children’s oral health, adults’ oral health, demographics, results from the oral health screening of students in third grade, access to oral health care, pregnancy and oral health, chronic disease and oral health, oral cancer, and community water fluoridation.

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SOUTH CAROLINA TAKES ACTION: ENSURING OPTIMAL ORAL HEALTH CARE FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS

Veschusio C. 2006. *South Carolina Takes Action: Ensuring Optimal Oral Health Care for Children and Adolescents with Special Health Care Needs*. Columbia, SC: South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Division of Oral Health. 20 pp.

This report represents the 2007–2009 work plan for implementing the South Carolina state oral health plan for children and adolescents with special health care needs (SHCN). Topics include oral health as an inte-

gral component of health and well-being; the negative effect of oral disease and related problems on the health and well-being of children; oral diseases and related problems among members of special needs populations; the negative effects of medications, special diets, and poor oral hygiene on the oral health of special needs populations; and recognition of access to oral health care as an unmet need among children and adolescents with SHCN. Contents include information on the coalition workgroup and the meetings held to develop the work plan, and the work plan goals, objectives, and action steps. The appendix provides an overview of three objectives in table formats, including the action steps, tasks, who is responsible for the tasks, and when the objective should be achieved. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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SOUTH DAKOTA ORAL HEALTH SURVEY 2006

Clarke J. 2007. *South Dakota Oral Health Survey 2006*. Pierre, SD: South Dakota Department of Health, Office of Health Promotion. 26 pp.

This report presents an analysis of data collected from a statewide oral health survey of 643 students in third grade in 32 public, private, and Bureau of Indian Affairs elementary schools in South Dakota. Contents include a list of tables and figures, an introduction, a summary of key findings and comparisons to previous surveys conducted in 1995–1997 and 2002–2003, methods, and results. Indicators of oral health status and access to care; the impact of dental visit frequency, race and ethnicity, insurance type, and socioeconomic status on oral health status; *Healthy People 2010* objectives; and comparisons to other states are discussed. The appendix contains information about participating schools, a map of participating schools, an oral health screening form, a consent form, and a notice to parents.

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state.sd.us/doh/oralhealth/Publications/OralHealth2005-2006.pdf.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI ORAL HEALTH PLAN 2006–2010

Mississippi Department of Health. 2006. *State of Mississippi Oral Health Plan 2006–2010*. Jackson, MS: Mississippi Department of Health. 26 pp.

This report presents a comprehensive statewide approach to improving the oral health of families residing in Mississippi. The 5-year plan ensures multiple strategies for improving oral health, including community-water-fluoridation programs, school-based prevention programs, oral health education, and increased access to oral health care. Goals are identified within three broad categories: assessment, policy development, and assurance. Action steps for meeting each goal include information on lead organizations, partners, national health objectives, strategies, timelines, and outcomes.

Contact: Mississippi Department of Health, 570 East Woodrow Wilson Drive, Jackson, MS 39216. Telephone: (601) 576-7400, (866) 458-4948; Web site: <http://www.msdh.state.ms.us>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthymys.com/msdhsite/_static/resources/1915.pdf.

STATE ORAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR DISADVANTAGED PERSONS: RECOMMENDATION REPORT WITH STRATEGIES

State Oral Health Improvement Plan for Disadvantaged Floridians. 2006. *State Oral Health Improvement Plan for Disadvantaged Persons: Recommendation Report with Strategies*. Tallahassee, FL: Florida Department of Health. 5 pp.

This report presents Florida's State Oral Health Improvement Plan (SOHIP), as revised in 2006. The vision of Florida's SOHIP is to advance the general health and well-being of all Floridians by creating critical partnerships at all levels of society that engage in programs to promote oral health and prevent oral diseases. The report summarizes seven broad recommendations and accompanying strategies to (1) improve access to community and school-based prevention programs for all ages; (2) improve access to oral-health-education programs for children and adults; (3) increase public and government awareness of oral health issues;

(4) improve state- and county-based oral-health-data collection and research; (5) improve access to care by ensuring a highly trained, diverse, appropriately allocated oral health work force; (6) improve access to care by ensuring adequate statewide, publicly focused infrastructure and support programs; and (7) improve the integration of oral health prevention and education into general health. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Florida Department of Health, 1317 Wine-wood Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32399. Telephone: (904) 487-2690; Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.doh.state.fl.us/Family/dental/sohip/reports/SOHIP_RRS.pdf.

WASHINGTON STATE COLLABORATIVE ACTION PLAN ON ORAL HEALTH ACCESS FOR SPECIAL POPULATIONS

Washington State Department of Health, MCH Oral Health Program. 2007. *Washington State Collaborative Action Plan on Oral Health Access for Special Populations*. Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Health, MCH Oral Health Program. 55 pp.

This report presents a statewide collaborative action plan to improve the oral health of children with special health care needs (CSHCN) and individuals with disabilities in Washington. The plan was developed during an oral health forum held on September 27, 2006, in Federal Way, Washington. The action plan outlines background information; summarizes the forum-planning process, implementation, and follow-up activities; and presents recommendations, stakeholders, and a project timeline. The appendix contains a summary of public, professional, and system issues related to the oral health of CSHCN; the forum participant list and agenda; a description of the forum discussion groups; a summary of feedback from the discussion groups and follow-up conference calls; a data brief; and a budget. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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