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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.

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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

ASTDD STATE DATA/SURVEILLANCE TEMPLATE (REV. ED.)

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2008. *ASTDD State Data/Surveillance Template* (rev. ed.). New Bern, NC: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 9 pp.

This template provides a format for collecting data on a variety of oral health topics and indicators and from a variety of sources. Sample topics include community water fluoridation, children, children with special health care needs, adolescents, adults, pregnant women, and work force issues.

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.astdd.org/docs/DataSurveillanceTemplate26Sep08.doc>.

DENTAL COVERAGE OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS UNDER AGE 21, UNITED STATES, 1996 AND 2006

Manski RJ, Brown E. 2008. *Dental Coverage of Children and Young Adults Under Age 21, United States, 1996 and 2006*. Rockville, MD: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. 5 pp.

This brief represents data from the 1996 and 2006 Household Component of the Medical Expenditures Panel Survey on dental coverage and use of oral health services for the U.S. noninstitutionalized (community) population. Data are presented on the reported prevalence of dental coverage and the relationship between dental coverage and service use among infants, children, and adolescents from birth to age 20.

Contact: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 540 Gaither Road, Rockville, MD 20850. Telephone: (301) 427-1364; (800) 358-9295; e-mail: <http://info.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/st221/stat221.pdf.

DENTAL HEALTH AND ACCESS TO CARE AMONG RURAL CHILDREN: A NATIONAL AND STATE PORTRAIT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Martin AB, Wang E, Probst JC, Hale N, Johnson AO. 2008. *Dental Health and Access to Care Among Rural Children: A National and State Portrait Executive Summary*. Columbia, SC: South Carolina Rural Health Research Center. 2 pp.

This executive summary provides highlights of oral health status, use of preventive services, and dental insurance among children living in rural areas compared with children living in urban areas. Findings on the condition of teeth, dental visits in the preceding year, preventive oral health care, and dental insurance are provided.

Contact: South Carolina Rural Health Research Center, 220 Stoneridge Drive, Suite 204, Columbia, SC 29210. Telephone: (803) 251-6317; fax: (803) 251-6399; e-mail: jprobst@gwm.sc.edu; Web site: <http://rhr.sph.sc.edu>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://rhr.sph.sc.edu/report/SCRHRC_DentalHealthAmongRuralChildren_Exec_Sum.pdf.

DIVERSITY IN CALIFORNIA'S HEALTH PROFESSIONS: DENTISTRY

Bates T, Chapman S. 2008. *Diversity in California's Health Professions: Dentistry*. San Francisco, CA: University of California, San Francisco, Center for Health Professions. 5 pp.

This brief presents data describing key characteristics of the dentistry labor force in California including age, gender, race/ethnicity, and income. Trends in the gender and race/ethnicity of first-year enrollments in California's five dentistry programs are also described.

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; Web site: <http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu/pdf_files/Dentistry%20brief_final.pdf.

EARLY HEAD START PARTICIPANTS, PROGRAMS, FAMILIES, AND STAFF IN 2006

Center for Law and Social Policy. 2008. *Early Head Start Participants, Programs, Families, and Staff in 2006*. Washington, DC: Center for Law and Social Policy. 2 pp.

This fact sheet uses data from the Head Start Program Information Report to describe the characteristics of children enrolled in Early Head Start and their families and the services provided to them during the 2005–2006 program year. Data are presented on participants, families, programs, and staff. The fact sheet includes information on participants’ ages and races, household demographics, screenings, examinations, treatment, ongoing sources of medical and oral health care, disability- and special-education-related services, linguistic diversity, and home-visiting services.

Contact: Center for Law and Social Policy, 1015 15th Street, N.W., Suite 400, Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 906-8000; fax: (202) 842-2885; e-mail: info@clasp.org; Web site: <http://www.clasp.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.clasp.org/publications/ehs_pir_2006.pdf.

REGISTERED DENTAL HYGIENISTS IN CALIFORNIA: REGIONAL LABOR MARKET CHART BOOK (2005–2006)

Mertz E, Bates T. 2008. *Registered Dental Hygienists in California: Regional Labor Market Chart Book (2005–2006)*. San Francisco, CA: University of California, San Francisco, Center for the Health Professions. 91 pp.

This paper explores the labor market for the dental hygiene work force in California at a regional level. The paper is organized as a series of labor market regional summaries, following the statewide summary. Eleven regions are represented, with information included on the demand for and supply of dental hygienists and the state of the labor market. The methodology used in the study is described, as well as its limitations.

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MEETINGS

ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM: PARTICIPANT’S FOLDER

American Association for Community Dental Programs. 2008. *Annual Symposium: Participant’s Folder*. Cincinnati, OH: American Association for Community Dental Programs. 6 items.

This folder contains participant materials from the American Association for Community Dental Programs’ (AACDP’s) annual symposium held on April 29, 2008, in Denver, Colorado. Contents include the symposium agenda, presentation handouts, an article on women’s oral health issues, a bookmark, a list of the 2007–2008 AACDP board members, and a flier. Topics include HRSA’s Oral Health Disparities Collaborative pilot and Head Start and dental sealant initiatives, women’s oral health issues, Wisconsin’s dental hygiene legislation, Denver’s oral health programs, and working with policymakers to enhance the capacity of local oral health programs. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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DEVELOPING COMPREHENSIVE ORAL HEALTH POLICY: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR STATE HEALTH POLICY MAKERS PARTICIPANT FOLDER

Hilltop Institute. 2008. *Developing Comprehensive Oral Health Policy: Challenges and Opportunities for State Health Policy Makers Participant Folder*. Baltimore, MD: Hilltop Institute. 12 items.

This participant folder contains materials from a symposium held on June 17, 2008, in Baltimore, Maryland, to explore areas of policy innovation to improve access to oral health services for beneficiaries of publicly financed programs. Contents include the symposium agenda, speaker biographies, and handouts. The handouts address findings on the links between women’s oral health, adverse pregnancy outcomes, and infant oral health; the link between oral health and chronic disease; and policy implications that stem from this research. Additional topics include evolving paradigms to integrate dental and medical service

delivery through expanding the role of primary care health professionals, the evolution of pediatric health policy and its implications for access and quality, work force issues and the challenges of increasing the supply of oral health professionals who participate in public programs, engaging consumers to improve access, and professional resource needs for serving underserved and special needs populations.

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EXPERT PANEL MEETING: THE CONCEPT OF A DENTAL HOME PARTICIPANT FOLDER

Altarum Institute. 2008. *Expert Panel Meeting: The Concept of a Dental Home Participant Folder*. Washington, DC: Altarum Institute. 40 pp.

This participant folder contains materials from an expert workgroup meeting held on September 18–19, 2008, in Washington, DC, exploring the concept of the dental home. Topics also include promising program approaches for defining and implementing dental homes, relationships between dental homes and medical homes, social and health risks that impact dental homes, and health system requirements needed for dental homes. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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FILLING AN URGENT NEED: IMPROVING CHILDREN'S ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE IN MEDICAID AND SCHIP

Gehshan S, Snyder A, Paradise J. 2008. *Filling an Urgent Need: Improving Children's Access to Dental Care in Medicaid and SCHIP*. Washington, DC: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured; Portland, ME: National Academy for State Health Policy. 30 pp.

This report describes a meeting of national and state experts held in October 2007 to address children's

access to oral health care in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program and to exchange information and assessments about what has worked best to improve access for this population. Topics include addressing the problems and solutions; implementing increased provider participation; expanding the supply of oral health care; improving dental benefits; increasing oral health education and patient support; and improving data collection, monitoring, and evaluation. Additional topics include systemic reforms in managing oral disease as a chronic disease and developing an adequate oral health work force.

Contact: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, 1330 G Street, N.W., Suite 250, Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 347-5270; fax: (202) 347-5274; e-mail: kcmu@kff.org; Web site: <http://www.kff.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.kff.org/medicaid/upload/7792.pdf>.

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IMPROVING PERINATAL ORAL HEALTH: MOVING FORWARD PARTICIPANT FOLDER

Altarum Institute. 2008. *Improving Perinatal Oral Health: Moving Forward Participant Folder*. Washington, DC: Altarum Institute. 9 items.

This participant folder contains materials for the perinatal oral health meeting held on September 8, 2008, in Washington, DC. Topics include building partnerships to improve the oral health status of pregnant women, increasing awareness of perinatal oral health from various perspectives, discussing new and innovative approaches, and identifying areas for working in collaboration. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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REPORT ON THE JUNE 23, 2008, MEDICAID PROVIDER SYMPOSIUM

Geiermann SP. 2008. *Report on the June 23, 2008, Medicaid Provider Symposium*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association, Council of Access, Prevention, and Interprofessional Relations. 14 pp.

This report describes a symposium held on June 23, 2008, in Chicago, Illinois, to provide information on the challenges of providing care to Medicaid recipients and to discuss successful strategies to integrate Medicaid patients into a private dental practice. The symposium was held to identify issues and strategies and to provide recommendations for the Access to Dental Care Summit.

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NATIONAL PROGRAMS

2008 NATIONAL DENTAL SUMMARY

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2009. *2008 National Dental Summary*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 54 pp.

This report reviews survey results from 16 states on oral health services provided to Medicaid recipients to enhance national initiatives to improve oral health care in the United States. Contents include a review of the methodology for state review selection; the scope of the review; findings, recommendations, and other considerations; policy issues; promising and notable practices; and planned initiatives in response to state findings.

Contact: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244. Telephone: (877) 267-2323; (410) 786-3000; (866) 226-1819; (800) 633-4227; Web site: <http://cms.hhs.gov>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MedicaidDentalCoverage/Downloads/natdensum011209.pdf>.

A GUIDE TO EMERGING STRATEGIES FOR PROMOTING PREVENTION AND IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH CARE DELIVERY IN HEAD START: LESSONS FROM THE ORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE EVALUATION. VOLUME II: FINAL REPORT

Del Grosso P, Brown A, Silva S, Henderson J, Tein N, Paulsell D. 2008. *A Guide to Emerging Strategies for Promoting Prevention and Improving Oral Health Care Delivery in Head Start: Lessons from the Oral Health Initiative Evaluation. Volume II: Final Report*. Princeton, NJ: Mathematica Policy Research. 82 pp.

This report highlights service delivery approaches and strategies that show promise for improving the oral health care delivery system and for promoting oral health in Head Start. Contents are based primarily on data collected during site visits to programs funded in 2006 under the Office of Head Start's Oral Health Initiative. The report includes descriptions of each of the strategies and provides examples of how grantees implemented the practices in different program settings and with different target populations.

Contact: Mathematica Policy Research, P.O. Box 2393, Princeton, NJ 08543-2393. Telephone: (609) 799-3535; fax: (609) 799-0005; e-mail: info@mathematica-mpr.com; Web site: <http://www.mathematica-mpr.com>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mathematica-mpr.com/publications/redirect_pubsdb.asp?strSite=pdfs/OHI_Finalrpt.pdf.

HEADED FOR A CRUNCH: AN UPDATE ON MEDICAID SPENDING, COVERAGE AND POLICY HEADING INTO AN ECONOMIC DOWNTURN—RESULTS FROM A 50-STATE MEDICAID BUDGET SURVEY FOR STATE FISCAL YEARS 2008 AND 2009

Smith V, Gifford K, Ellis E, Rudowitz R, O'Malley M, Marks C. 2008. *Headed for a Crunch: An Update on Medicaid Spending, Coverage and Policy Heading into an Economic Downturn—Results from a 50-State Medicaid Budget Survey for State Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009*. Washington, DC: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. 107 pp.

This report provides results of a survey of Medicaid officials in all 50 states and the District of Columbia conducted to track trends in Medicaid spending, enrollment, and policy initiatives for state fiscal years 2008 and 2009. Contents also include an overview of Medicaid today and current issues, Medicaid and the economy, recent legislative and regulatory actions, and

the methodology used in the survey and report. The survey instrument is provided.

Contact: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, 1330 G Street, N.W., Suite 250, Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 347-5270; fax: (202) 347-5274; e-mail: kcmu@kff.org; Web site: <http://www.kff.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.kff.org/medicaid/upload/7815.pdf>.

A HISTORY OF THE ASTDD BEST PRACTICES PROJECT: THE JOURNEY TAKEN FROM 2000 TO 2008

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2008. *A History of the ASTDD Best Practices Project: The Journey Taken from 2000 to 2008*. New Bern, NC: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 10 pp.

This brief discusses the 2000–2008 history of the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors’ Best Practices Project and the importance of identifying essential elements of building infrastructure and capacity for state and territorial oral health programs. Contents include descriptions of the purpose and goal of the project, expected outcomes, activities and milestones, actual project outcomes, and the continued journey.

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MEDICAID: EXTENT OF DENTAL DISEASE IN CHILDREN HAS NOT DECREASED, AND MILLIONS ARE ESTIMATED TO HAVE UNTREATED TOOTH DECAY

Government Accountability Office. 2008. *Medicaid: Extent of Dental Disease in Children Has Not Decreased, and Millions Are Estimated to Have Untreated Tooth Decay*. Washington, DC: Government Accountability Office. 40 pp.

This report presents information from national health surveys on key indicators of the oral health status of children in Medicaid, specifically, the rate of oral disease, their receipt of oral health care, and changes in these indicators over time. Content includes the results in brief, concluding observations, and federal agency comments.

Contact: Government Accountability Office, 441 G Street, N.W., Room LM, Washington, DC 20548. Telephone: (202) 512-3000; e-mail: contact@gao.gov; Web site: <http://www.gao.gov>. Single copies available at no charge. Document code: GAO-08-1121. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.gao.gov/new.items/d081121.pdf>.

MONITORING AND ASSESSING THE USE OF EXTERNAL QUALITY REVIEW ORGANIZATIONS TO IMPROVE SERVICES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN: A TOOLKIT FOR STATE MEDICAID AGENCIES

Krissik T, Ireys HT, Markus A, Rosenbaum S. 2008. *Monitoring and Assessing the Use of External Quality Review Organizations to Improve Services for Young Children: A Toolkit for State Medicaid Agencies*. New York, NY: Commonwealth Fund. 35 pp.

This report provides state Medicaid agencies with specifications for developing a scope of work that will lead to conceptually and methodologically sound studies of the quality of preventive and developmental services for young children enrolled in Medicaid. The report provides information about how Medicaid officials can work with external quality review organizations to evaluate and improve services. The report also provides a sample request for proposals and contract language on scope of work.

Contact: Commonwealth Fund, One East 75th Street, New York, NY 10021. Telephone: (212) 606-3800; fax: (212) 606-3500; e-mail: info@cmwf.org; Web site: <http://www.commonwealthfund.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.commonwealthfund.org/usr_doc/Ireys_Krissek_EQROs.pdf?section=4039.

STRATEGIES FOR PROMOTING PREVENTION AND IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH CARE DELIVERY IN HEAD START: FINDINGS FROM THE ORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE EVALUATION. VOLUME 1: FINAL TECHNICAL REPORT

Del Grosso P, Brown A, Silva S, Henderson J, Tein N, Paulsell D. 2008. *Strategies for Promoting Prevention and Improving Oral Health Care Delivery in Head Start: Findings from the Oral Health Initiative Evaluation. Volume 1: Final Technical Report*. Princeton, NJ: Mathematica Policy Research. 184 pp.

This report presents results from a 2-year evaluation of the Office of Head Start's Oral Health Initiative (OHI), a supplemental grant program to develop, implement, and disseminate best practice oral health models that meet the needs of the communities and population they serve. Contents include an overview of OHI and findings on the delivery of services (outreach, education, preventive and treatment services, support services, oral hygiene supplies, parent satisfaction with services). Additional topics include OHI funding and resources, sustainability activities, progress toward goals, implementation challenges, emerging approaches and strategies, and potential next steps.

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SYNOPSIS OF STATE DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS: DATA FOR FY 2006–2007

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2008. *Synopses of State Dental Public Health Programs: Data for FY 2006–2007*. New Bern, NC: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 15 pp.

This report summarizes the results of the 2008 Synopsis of State Dental Programs, which represents the status of state oral health programs across the United States during the 2006–2007 fiscal year. Information for each state and territory on demographic, infrastructure, work force, and administrative factors that impact the state's oral health program is included. Information on the percentage of states that provide specific oral health services is also presented.

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POLICY

CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH

National Conference of State Legislatures. 2008. *Children's Oral Health*. Denver, CO: National Conference of State Legislatures.

This resource examines children's oral health and the role that state legislators can play in improving it. Topics include Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program, access to services, work force issues, and prevention and awareness.

Contact: National Conference of State Legislatures, 7700 East First Place, Denver, CO 80230. Telephone: (303) 364-7700; (303) 364-7812; fax: (303) 364-7800; e-mail: ncslnet-admin@ncsl.org; Web site: <http://www.ncsl.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.ncsl.org/programs/health/ChildOralHealth.htm>.

COMMUNITY EFFORTS TO EXPAND DENTAL SERVICES FOR LOW-INCOME PEOPLE

Felland LE, Lauer JR, Cunningham PJ. 2008. *Community Efforts to Expand Dental Services for Low-Income People*. Washington, DC: Center for Studying Health System Change. 4 pp.

This brief discusses barriers to achieving optimal oral health for individuals with low incomes and programs to increase access to oral health care. Topics include challenges that individuals with low incomes face in obtaining dental coverage and oral health services, the effect of federal programs on access to care, gaps in the safety net, and community efforts to expand services.

Contact: Alwyn Cassil, Director of Public Affairs. Center for Studying Health System Change, 600 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Suite 550, Washington, DC 20024-2512. Telephone: (202) 484-5261; fax: (202) 484-9258; e-mail: hscinfo@hschange.org; Web site: <http://www.hschange.com>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.hschange.org/CONTENT/1000/1000.pdf>.

DENTAL CARE: THE OFTEN NEGLECTED PART OF HEALTH CARE

Lapin B, Smith AJB. 2008. *Dental Care: The Often Neglected Part of Health Care*. New Haven, CT: Yale University, School of the 21st Century. 7 pp.

This issue brief examines how schools implement cost-effective and efficient oral health care programs. Topics include the extent of tooth decay and other preventable oral health problems in students; key risk factors for poor oral health (including affordability of oral health care), access to oral health care, and fluoride; what schools can do to promote oral health education and prevent tooth decay; and implications for schools.

Contact: Yale University, School of the 21st Century, Edward Zigler Center for Child Development and Social Policy, 310 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT 06511. Telephone: (203) 432-9944; fax: (203) 432-9945; e-mail: Yale21c@yale.edu; Web site: <http://www.yale.edu/21C/index2.html>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.yale.edu/21c/documents/2008_Spring_IssueBrief_Dental_000.pdf.

HEALTH MATTERS: THE ROLE OF HEALTH AND THE HEALTH SECTOR IN PLACE-BASED INITIATIVES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Fine A, Hicks M. 2008. *Health Matters: The Role of Health and the Health Sector in Place-Based Initiatives for Young Children*. Battle Creek, MI: W. K. Kellogg Foundation. 106 pp.

This report reviews eight place-based initiatives that focus on young children, include a health component, and feature two-way linkages into and out of the health sector. The goals of the report are to link children and families to services needed to promote growth and development and to assist stakeholders in identifying, understanding, and promoting the role of health and the health sector within multi-sector, place-based initiatives that serve children and their families. The report provides information on the context, methodology, and conceptual underpinnings for the study; descriptions of each initiative; cross-initiative findings and assessment; and summary findings, conclusions, and recommendations.

Contact: W. K. Kellogg Foundation, One Michigan Avenue, East, Battle Creek, MI 49017-4012. Telephone: (269) 968-1611; fax: (269) 968-0413; Web site: <http://www.wkcf.org>. Available at no charge from the

Web site at http://www.wkcf.org/DesktopModules/WKF.00_DmaSupport/ViewDoc.aspx?LanguageID=0&CID=1&ListID=28&ItemID=5000559&fld=PDFFile.

NECESSARY REFORM TO PEDIATRIC DENTAL CARE UNDER MEDICAID: TESTIMONY OF BURTON L. EDELSTEIN, D.D.S., M.P.H. TO THE DOMESTIC POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE, OVERSIGHT AND GOVERNMENT REFORM COMMITTEE

Edelstein B. 2008. *Necessary Reform to Pediatric Dental Care Under Medicaid: Testimony of Burton L. Edelstein, D.D.S., M.P.H. to the Domestic Policy Subcommittee, Oversight and Government Reform Committee*. Washington, DC: Children's Dental Health Project. 5 pp.

This testimony of September 23, 2008, is a response to the Domestic Policy Subcommittee request for recommendations to improve the oral health of children in Medicaid. Topics include Medicaid dental service utilization, oral disease trends, state Medicaid reforms, dentist participation in Medicaid, payment rates, fee changes, managed care risk contracting, and disease management.

Contact: Children's Dental Health Project, 1990 M Street, N.W., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 833-8288; fax: (202) 318-0667; Web site: <http://www.cdhp.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cdhp.org/downloads/Oct2008_CDHP%20Testimony.pdf.

POLICY ISSUES IN THE DELIVERY OF DENTAL SERVICES TO MEDICAID CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES

Oral Health Technical Advisory Group. 2008. *Policy Issues in the Delivery of Dental Services to Medicaid Children and Their Families*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 16 pp.

This document addresses the effect of Medicaid policy on the delivery of oral health services to children and families. Topics include the periodicity schedule, screening and referral, dental hygienists and the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment program referral requirement, medically necessary services, patient cost-sharing, billing patients for Medicaid-covered and non-Medicaid-covered services, practice limits, denial of services based on client behavior, direct

patient billing for broken appointments, loss of Medicaid eligibility during course of treatment, retroactive coverage, time limits for submitting claims, administrative federal match, increase of federal financial participation for services, waiver issues, federally qualified health centers, and adult dental benefits.

Contact: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244. Telephone: (877) 267-2323; (410) 786-3000; (866) 226-1819; (800) 633-4227; Web site: <http://cms.hhs.gov>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MedicaidDentalCoverage/downloads/dentalqs&cas092208.pdf>.

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PROMOTING IMPROVED ORAL HEALTH

Council of State Governments, Healthy States Initiative. 2008. *Promoting Improved Oral Health*. Lexington, KY: Council of State Governments. 16 pp.

This policy brief identifies what state legislators need to know about oral health and what they can do to improve oral health. Contents include examples of policies in Arkansas, Colorado, Ohio, and Tennessee. Other topics include perspectives of a state legislator and a public health official and key facts and terms.

Contact: Council of State Governments, 2760 Research Park Drive, P. O. Box 11910, Lexington, KY 40578-1910. Telephone: (859) 244-8000; (800) 800-1910; (888) 274-4742; fax: (859) 244-8001; e-mail: csq@csg.org; Web site: <http://www.csg.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthystates.csg.org/NR/rdonlyres/7977906A-8420-4770-A5C7-5173952742CD/0/OralHealthLPB_screen.pdf.

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THE ROLE OF PHYSICIANS IN CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH

Cantrell C. 2008. The role of physicians in children's oral health. *State Health Policy Monitor* 2(5):1-5.

This policy brief presents findings from two recent surveys on the characteristics of Medicaid programs that reimburse primary care physicians for performing basic preventive oral health care on young children during regular office visits, as well as on the extent to which the programs reimburse for such care. The brief includes a discussion of the importance of oral health care in childhood and physicians' role in evaluating young

children's oral conditions and providing basic preventive services. Topics include the application of fluoride varnish and additional services such as risk assessments, oral examinations, and anticipatory guidance.

Contact: National Academy for State Health Policy, 10 Free Street, Second Floor, 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/Fluoride%20Varnish%20Monitor.pdf>.

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STATE LAWS ON DENTAL SCREENING FOR SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN

Booth M, Frosh M. 2008. *State Laws on Dental Screening for School-Aged Children*. Washington, DC: National Oral Health Policy Center. 18 pp.

This brief addresses state laws that require or provide for certification of oral health assessment, screening, or examination for young children entering school. Contents include background on state requirements, methods used in preparing the brief, and key findings. Policy considerations, a summary chart of state laws, and a summary of key information interviews are also included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: National Oral Health Policy Center, Children's Dental Health Project, 1990 M Street, N.W., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 833-8288; fax: (202) 318-0667; Web site: <http://www.cdhp.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cdhp.org/downloads/Oct2008_Emerging%20Issue%20State%20Laws%20on%20Dental%20Screening%20for%20School%20Aged%20Children.pdf.

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TALKING POINTS: PREVENTING TOOTH DECAY

Council of State Governments, Healthy States Initiative. 2008. *Talking Points: Preventing Tooth Decay*. Lexington, KY: Council of State Governments. 2 pp.

This fact sheet presents talking points for state legislators about tooth decay prevention. Topics include the importance of preventing tooth decay, the costs of oral diseases and oral health care, tooth decay in children, how tooth decay can be prevented, and what legislators can do to help promote oral health.

Contact: Council of State Governments, 2760 Research Park Drive, P.O. Box 11910, Lexington, KY 40578-1910. Telephone: (859) 244-8000; (800) 800-1910; (888) 274-4742; fax: (859) 244-8001; e-mail: csg@csg.org; Web site: <http://www.csg.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthystates.csg.org/NR/rdonlyres/EA8452ED-A4A9-4EF0-AAFC-480DA2105038/0/TP_OralHealthREVISED.pdf.

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WHITE PAPER ON INCREASING ACCESS TO AND UTILIZATION OF ORAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Academy of General Dentistry. 2008. *White Paper on Increasing Access to and Utilization of Oral Health Care Services*. Chicago, IL: Academy of General Dentistry. 10 pp.

This white paper presents the Academy of General Dentistry's proposed solutions to the access to oral health care and the utilization of oral health services. Contents include definitions, a description of the state of care in the United States, challenges in accessing and utilizing services, and options for increasing access and utilization. Topics include the role of the independent mid-level provider, health literacy, and the benefits of general practice residency programs.

Contact: Academy of General Dentistry Foundation, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 900, Chicago, IL 60611-1999. Telephone: (888) 243-3368, ext. 4306; (312) 440-4306; fax: (312) 440-0559; e-mail: foundation@agd.org; Web site: <http://www.agd.org/agdf>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.agd.org/files/newsletter/7025accesstocarewhitepaper7-31-08.pdf>.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION, TOOLS, AND TRAINING

ACCESS TO BABY AND CHILD DENTISTRY

Washington Department of Social and Health Services and Delta Dental Washington Dental Service Foundation. 2008. *Access to Baby and Child Dentistry*. Seattle, WA: Delta Dental Washington Dental Service Foundation.

This resource provides information on the Access to Baby and Child Dentistry program in Washington and discusses its focus on preventive and restorative

oral health services for infants and children from birth to age 6 who are eligible for Medicaid, with emphasis on enrollment by age 1. The resource describes why and how the program works; discusses program goals, partners and roles, services, and outcomes; and provides frequently asked questions about the program.

Contact: Delta Dental Plans Association, Washington Dental Service Foundation, P.O. Box 75983, Seattle, WA 98175-0983. Telephone: (206) 522-1300; (800) 367-4104; e-mail: info@deltadentalwa.com; Web site: <http://www.deltadentalwa.com>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.abcd-dental.org>.

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THE BELLWETHER: LEADING LOCAL EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE NATION'S ORAL HEALTH

American Association for Community Dental Programs. 2008. *The Bellwether: Leading Local Efforts to Improve the Nation's Oral Health*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

This newsletter is a periodic publication of the American Association for Community Dental Programs (AACDP) to communicate information to the membership. Topics in the September 2008 issue include highlights from AACDP's annual meeting held on April 26-27, 2008, in Miami, Florida; the Deamonte Driver Dental Care Access Improvement Act of 2008; upcoming conferences; and recently published materials. [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: OHRInfo@georgetown.edu; Web site: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.aacdp.com/docs/Newsletter_Issue3.pdf.

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A CAREGIVERS GUIDE TO GOOD ORAL HEALTH FOR PERSONS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Perlman SP, Friedman C, Fenton SJ. 2008. *A Caregivers Guide to Good Oral Health for Persons with Special Needs*. Washington, DC: Special Olympics. 18 pp.

This guide presents information for caregivers on helping individuals with special health care needs practice behaviors for maintaining optimal oral health. Instruc-

tions for correct toothbrushing, mouthrinsing, and flossing are provided, including adaptations for meeting the needs of individuals with different cognitive and physical abilities. Common oral health problems are also addressed.

Contact: Special Olympics, Special Smiles, 1133 19th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 628-3630; fax: (202) 824-0200; Web site: http://www.specialolympics.org/Special+Olympics+Public+Website/English/Initiatives/Healthy_Athletes/Special_Smiles/default.htm. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.specialolympics.org/uploadedFiles/LandingPage/WhatWeDo/2008+FINAL+Special+Smiles+Good+Oral+Health+Guide.pdf?n=7691>.

handbook and for recruiting and retaining staff. The six modules are (1) policies and procedures; (2) human resources; (3) health records, forms, and billing and collections; (4) purchasing and inventory management; (5) patient appointments and care; and (6) infection control, environmental health, and safety.

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: OHRCinfo@georgetown.edu; Web site: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.ohiodentalclinics.com/curricula/operations/index.html>.

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CARIES DIAGNOSIS, RISK ASSESSMENT, AND MANAGEMENT PROTOCOLS

University of Michigan, School of Dentistry. 2008. *Caries Diagnosis, Risk Assessment, and Management Protocols*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan, School of Dentistry.

This resource describes protocols for detecting early-stage and late-stage dental caries, assessing risk of caries infection, prevention of caries initiation throughout life, and treatments available for reversing or stopping the progression of early caries. Examination and analysis forms and diagnosis tables are included. Information from the NIH Consensus Conference on Dental Caries Diagnosis and Management Throughout Life is also provided.

Contact: University of Michigan, School of Dentistry, 1011 North University Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1078. Telephone: (734) 763-6933; Web site: <http://www.dent.umich.edu>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://oralhealth.dent.umich.edu/CDRAM/CariesHome.htm>.

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DENTAL FIRST AID FOR CHILDREN

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Family Health Administration, Office of Oral Health. 2008. *Dental First Aid for Children*. Baltimore, MD: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Family Health Administration, Office of Oral Health. 11 pp.

This flip chart provides instruction on what to do—and what not to do—to manage dental emergencies effectively. It is designed for school nurses, school health aides, teachers, school administrators, Head Start coordinators, child care providers, other health and administrative personnel, and parents. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Family Health Administration, Office of Oral Health, 201 West Preston Street, Room 306, Baltimore, MD 21201. Telephone: (410) 767-5300; fax: (410) 333-7106; Web site: <http://www.fha.state.md.us/oralhealth>. Available at no charge.

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CLINICAL OPERATIONS FOR SAFETY NET DENTAL CLINICS IN OHIO

Barzel R, Holt K, Siegal M. 2008. *Clinical Operations for Safety Net Dental Clinics in Ohio*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

This series of self-study modules provide guidelines for developing a policies and procedures manual and a staff

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FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT FOR SAFETY NET DENTAL CLINICS IN OHIO

Barzel R, Holt K, Siegal M. 2008. *Financial Management for Safety Net Dental Clinics in Ohio*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

This series of self-study modules provide information on financing a safety net dental clinic at startup and over the long term. The five modules are (1) strategic

planning, (2) patient care revenue, (3) expenses, (4) managing finances, and (5) securing external funding. The modules include both national information and information specific to Ohio.

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**GEORGIA ORAL HEALTH PREVENTION PROGRAM:
THE SCHOOL NURSE'S ROLE IN ORAL HEALTH—
RESOURCES AND MATERIALS (REV. ED.)**

Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health. 2008. *Georgia Oral Health Prevention Program: The School Nurse's Role in Oral Health—Resources and Materials* (rev. ed.). Atlanta, GA: Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health. 27 pp.

This guide for school nurses provides information and resources for promoting oral health in schools. Topics include oral health facts; common oral health problems (dental caries, periodontal disease, malocclusion, oral cancer); preventive oral health services (screening, fluoridation, dental sealants); oral health and health behaviors (toothbrushing and flossing, nutrition, tobacco use); and dental emergencies and first aid. Also included is a list of Web sites, information on Georgia Oral Health Prevention Program services, a chart on anticipatory guidance, and a form for collecting data from oral health screenings.

Contact: Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, GA 30303-3186. Telephone: (404) 657-2700; e-mail: gdpinfo@dhr.state.ga.us; Web site: <http://health.state.ga.us>. Single copies available at no charge.

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**THE GOOD PRACTICE: TREATING UNDERSERVED
DENTAL PATIENTS WHILE STAYING AFLOAT**

Scott MK, Bingham D, Doherty M. 2008. *The Good Practice: Treating Underserved Dental Patients While Staying Afloat*. Oakland, CA: California HealthCare Foundation. 36 pp.

This guide helps community dental practices—federally qualified health centers, public health clinics, private practices, and others—design or enhance clinical and business operations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of services. The guide explains how to create a strategic plan, produce a patient flow, design a staffing pattern, create business systems, and consider efforts such as outreach and prevention programs aimed at children that could help the patient base. It also includes an audio report, *The Good Practice—Interviews with Three Community Dentists*. The audio Webcast recounts the experiences of three community dentists who treat individuals who are uninsured or enrolled in Medi-Cal, and how these dentists were able to improve their practices.

Contact: California HealthCare Foundation, 1438 Webster Street, Suite 400, Oakland, CA 94612. Telephone: (510) 238-1040; fax: (510) 238-1388; Web site: <http://www.chcf.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.chcf.org/topics/download.cfm?pg=policy&fn=TheGoodPractice%2Epdf&pid=510812&itemid=133706>.

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**GUIDE TO THE FUTURE: USING HIT TO IMPROVE ORAL
HEALTH ACCESS AND OUTCOMES**

National Network for Oral Health Access, Health Information Technology Committee and Kushinka AS. 2008. *Guide to the Future: Using HIT to Improve Oral Health Access and Outcomes*. Denver, CO: National Network for Oral Health Access. 56 pp.

This document discusses the benefits of integrating health information technology (HIT) in health center programs, the unmet needs of the market segment, and resources for dental directors considering HIT implementation. Topics include technology adoption in the health center oral health setting; technology systems that serve the oral health market; challenges to technology implementation among oral health professionals in health centers; and factors proven to yield positive results for organizations selecting, implementing, optimizing, and sustaining HIT. A resource guide for dental directors and staff to use in their system selection process is included.

Contact: National Network for Oral Health Access, PMB: 170, 7476 East 29th Avenue, Denver, CO 80238. Telephone: (303) 957-0635; fax: (866) 316-4995; e-mail: info@nnoha.org; Web site: <http://www.nnoha.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.nnoha.org/PDFs/NNOHA%20HIT%20White%20Paper_FINAL.pdf.

ORAL HEALTH AND TOBACCO CESSATION IN A PRIMARY CARE SETTING

University of Michigan, School of Dentistry. 2008. *Oral Health and Tobacco Cessation in a Primary Care Setting*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan, School of Dentistry.

This resource provides information for primary care health professionals in Detroit, Michigan, to reduce the burden of diseases associated with oral conditions and use of tobacco products. Topics include dental caries, periodontal disease, oral and pharyngeal cancers, tobacco cessation, and taking on tobacco in Michigan.

Contact: University of Michigan, School of Dentistry, 1011 North University Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1078. Telephone: (734) 763-6933; e-mail: jmastey@umich.edu; Web site: <http://www.dent.umich.edu>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://oralhealth.dent.umich.edu/VODI/html/00/about.html>.

ORAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT PACKET

California Department of Education. 2008. *Oral Health Assessment Packet*. Sacramento, CA: California Department of Education. 6 items.

This packet contains information and sample notification and assessment waiver forms used in the oral health-assessment program for children entering public school in California. The packet provides the legislative history, a guide for funding and district reporting, and sample letters and forms. Materials are provided in Spanish, Arabic, Eastern and Western Armenian, traditional and simplified Chinese, Hmong, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Portuguese, Punjabi, Russian, Tagalog, and Vietnamese.

Contact: California Department of Education, 1430 N Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Telephone: (916) 319-0800; (916) 445-4556; Web site: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/oralhealth.asp>.

ORAL HEALTH CARE DURING PREGNANCY: A SUMMARY OF PRACTICE GUIDELINES

Kumar J, Iida H. 2008. *Oral Health Care During Pregnancy: A Summary of Practice Guidelines*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 8 pp.

This document summarizes the New York State Department of Health's publication *Oral Health Care During Pregnancy and Early Childhood: Practice Guidelines*, which is geared toward prenatal and oral health professionals. The guidelines are intended to bring about changes in the health care delivery system and to improve the overall standard of care for pregnant women. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: HRSA Information Center, P.O. Box 2910, Merrifield, VA 22116. Telephone: (888) 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: MCH00266. Also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/Summary_PracticeGuidelines.pdf.

ORAL HEALTH CARE DURING PREGNANCY: AT-A-GLANCE REFERENCE GUIDE

West Virginia University School of Dentistry. 2008. *Oral Health Care During Pregnancy: At-a-Glance Reference Guide*. Morgantown, WV: West Virginia University School of Dentistry. 2 pp.

This fact sheet highlights the key recommendations for both assessment and anticipatory guidance for pregnant women. It is designed to be used chairside as a checklist when providing care. Topics include complying with standards of care, strategies for improving the oral health of pregnant women, treating pregnant women, and when to consult with a prenatal health professional.

Contact: West Virginia University, School of Dentistry, P.O. Box 9400, Morgantown, WV 26506-9400. Telephone: (304) 293-2521; fax: (304) 293-2859; e-mail: SOD_General_Info@hsc.wvu.edu; Web site: <http://www.hsc.wvu.edu/sod>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/WV_PregnancyRefGuide.pdf.

ORAL HEALTH CARE FOR YOUNG CHILDREN IN OHIO

Casamassimo P, Barzel R, Holt K, Siegal M. 2008. *Oral Health Care for Young Children in Ohio*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

This series of self-study modules is designed to help clinicians learn about providing oral health care to infants

and children from birth through age 3. The modules provide information about prevention, risk assessment, and anticipatory guidance. Also included is guidance on how to manage children's behavior, with information on expectations, parental involvement, and helpful techniques. Providing restorative treatment is covered, with an emphasis on decision-making, positioning, restoration options, and alternatives to restoration. Finally, the modules address the management of emergency oral health care.

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: OHRCinfo@georgetown.edu; Web site: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.ohiodentalclinics.com/curricula/care/index.html>.

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ORAL HEALTH FOR INFANTS, CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS, AND PREGNANT WOMEN: KNOWLEDGE PATH

Lorenzo SB, Holt K. 2009. *Oral Health for Infants, Children, Adolescents, and Pregnant Women: Knowledge Path*. Washington, DC: Maternal and Child Health Library, and National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

This guide offers a selection of resources that analyze data, describe programs, and report on policy and research aimed at improving access to and the quality of oral health care for infants, children, adolescents, and pregnant women. Contents include Web sites and resources from national and state organizations, distance education resources, databases, and newsletters and online discussion lists. Separate sections identify resources for professionals, resources for consumers, and resources on specific aspects of oral health. Selected topics include child care and Head Start, dental sealants, early childhood caries, fluoride varnish, K-12 education, pregnancy, and school-based care. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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REFERENCE MANUAL

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. 2008. Reference manual. *Pediatric Dentistry* 30(6 Suppl.):1-288.

This reference manual, produced annually as a supplement to the November/December issue of *Pediatric Dentistry*, promotes practice, education, and research related to the specialty of pediatric dentistry. The manual includes reaffirmed, revised, and new oral health policies; clinical guidelines; endorsements; and other practice-relevant resources.

Contact: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 1700, Chicago, IL 60611-2663. Telephone: (312) 337-2169; (800) 544-2174; fax: (312) 337-6329; Web site: <http://www.aapd.org>. \$14 (members), \$25 (nonmembers); also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.aapd.org/media/policies.asp>.

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SCHOOL ORAL HEALTH SCREENING FORMS

Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Office of Oral Health. N.d. *School Oral Health Screening Forms*. Topeka, KS: Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Office of Oral Health. 5 pp.

These forms are intended for use by schools in meeting the Kansas State Statute for Annual Dental Inspection. Contents include a school certificate, group and individual screening forms and a tally sheet, referral and parental notification forms (in English and Spanish), and a tooth-eruption chart.

Contact: Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Office of Oral Health, 1000 South West Jackson Street, Suite 300, Topeka, KS 66612. Telephone: (785) 296-5116; fax: (785) 291-3959; Web site: <http://www.kdheks.gov/ohi>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.kdheks.gov/ohi/screening_program.htm.

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SMILES FOR LIFE: A NATIONAL ORAL HEALTH CURRICULUM (2ND ED.)

Douglass AB, ed. 2008. *Smiles for Life: A National Oral Health Curriculum* (2nd ed.). Leawood, KS: Society of Teachers of Family Medicine.

The curriculum is designed to provide an overview of oral health for health professionals. The curriculum

addresses the relationship of oral health and systemic health, child oral health, adult oral health, acute dental problems, oral health and the pregnant patient, and fluoride varnish. Pocket cards and personal-digital-assistant applications summarizing key point-of-care information on child oral health, adult oral health, and dental emergencies are available. Patient-education posters in English and Spanish may also be downloaded.

Contact: Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, 11400 Tomahawk Creek Parkway, Suite 540, Leawood, KS 66211. Telephone: (913) 906-6000; (800) 274-2237; fax: (913) 906-6096; e-mail: stfmooffice@stfm.org; Web site: <http://www.stfm.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.smilesforlife2.org>.

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STANDARDS OF PRACTICE FOR PUBLIC DENTAL HEALTH (9TH ED.)

Hayes S, Edwards E. 2008. *Standards of Practice for Public Dental Health* (9th ed.). Nashville, TN: Tennessee Department of Health, Oral Health Services Section. 393 pp.

This manual serves as a reference source for policies, procedures, guidelines, and standards for public oral health practice in Tennessee. Contents include information for public health dental clinics, dental public health forms, a quality-assurance review instrument, protocols for the management of medical emergencies, infection-control policies and procedures, American Dental Association statements, rules of the Tennessee Board of Dentistry, and the Tennessee Dental Practice Act.

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; (615) 741-3111; e-mail: TN.health@state.tn.us; Web site: <http://health.state.tn.us/oralhealth>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://health.state.tn.us/oralhealth/pdf/Contents.pdf>.

PUBLIC EDUCATION

2009 NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH CAMPAIGN

American Dental Association. 2009. *2009 National Children's Dental Health Month Campaign*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association, Division of Communications.

These resources are designed to help oral health professionals, teachers, and parents promote oral health. Contents include a poster (in English and Spanish), a program-planning kit, presentation materials, ideas for the classroom, and coloring and activity sheets that can be used as handouts.

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/prof/events/featured/ncdhm.asp>.

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CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH BULLETIN BOARD

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health. 2009. *Children's Dental Health Bulletin Board*. Baltimore, MD: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health. 15 pp.

These materials are designed for use in creating a bulletin board to teach parents and other caregivers about oral health care for children. Contents include interactive questions and answers, a summary of key points, and a list of Web sites.

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: OHRCinfo@georgetown.edu; Web site: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.fha.state.md.us/pdf/oralhealth/pm_Bulletin_Board_Materials.pdf.

WE LIKE OUR TEETH

Allsop M. 2009. *We Like Our Teeth*. Prescott, AZ: Hohm Press. 32 pp.

This picture book encourages children to care for their teeth. Images show infant and adult animals celebrating their own strong, healthy teeth. The rhyming text presents readers with the basics of good oral hygiene. One version is in English only, and another has parallel text in English and Spanish.

Contact: Hohm Press, P.O. Box 2501, Prescott, AZ 86302. Telephone: (800) 381-2700; fax: (928) 717-1779; Web site: <http://www.HohmPress.com>. First copy available at no charge; additional copies (2–44) available at \$5.97 plus shipping and handling; quantity discounts also available.

STATE AND LOCAL PROGRAMS

ARKANSAS EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES—MARCH 11–13, 2008, SITE VISIT: FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VI. 2008. *Arkansas EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services—March 11–13, 2008, Site Visit: Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VI. 12 pp.

This report addresses key areas of the Arkansas Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment program, including informing, periodicity schedules, accessibility, diagnosis and treatment services, support services, coordination of care, utilization, and data collection, analysis, and reporting. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state’s dental services for children; and a review of descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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: OHRCinfo@georgetown.edu; Web site: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/CMSreview_AR.pdf.

BUILDING BETTER ORAL HEALTH: A DENTAL HOME FOR ALL TEXANS

Texas Dental Association. 2008. *Building Better Oral Health: A Dental Home for All Texans*. Austin, TX: Texas Dental Association. 29 pp.

This report identifies issues, needs, and challenges associated with improving the oral health of Texans. Topics include the economic, medical, and social consequences of untreated oral disease; the oral health care system in Texas (including school-based and Head Start preventive oral health services); state and national comparative data on the oral health status of Texans; and oral health disparities in Texas, particularly among populations that face challenges in accessing oral health services. The report concludes with public policy recommendations to expand access to oral health care in Texas, including best practices from other states.

Contact: Texas Dental Association, TDA Building, 1946 S IH 35, Suite 400, Austin, TX 78704. Telephone: (512) 443-4675; fax: (512) 443-3031; Web site: <http://www.tda.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.buildingbetteroralhealth.org/media/TDA_full_report.pdf.

CALIFORNIA EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES—FEBRUARY 13–15, 2008, SITE VISIT: FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IX. 2008. *California EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services—February 13–15, 2008, Site Visit: Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IX. 17 pp.

This report describes efforts California has made to address the rate of children’s utilization of oral health services in the state and to make recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state’s oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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DELAWARE EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES: MARCH 2008 SITE VISIT—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region III. 2008. *Delaware EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services: March 2008 Site Visit—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region III. 11 pp.

This report describes efforts Delaware has made to address the rate of children’s utilization of oral health services in the state and to make recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state’s oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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EXPANDING ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE THROUGH CALIFORNIA’S COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

Diringer J, Phipps K. 2008. *Expanding Access to Dental Care Through California’s Community Health Centers*. Oakland, CA: California HealthCare Foundation. 10 pp.

This brief describes a field survey of dental directors, executive directors, clinicians, and other staff at six community health centers in California with dental practices that treat a limited number of patients. Also interviewed were members of organizations that collaborate with and provide support to community health centers in Arizona, California, and Ohio. Contents include the study methodology, findings, and recommendations. Topics include start-up and operating costs; payer mix, reimbursement, and uncompensated care; staff recruitment, retention, and training; leadership and management; quality of care; and dental clinic efficiency. Four models are described, and a brief discussion of clinic licensure is provided.

Contact: California HealthCare Foundation, 1438 Webster Street, Suite 400, Oakland, CA 94612. Telephone: (510) 238-1040; fax: (510) 238-1388; Web site: <http://www.chcf.org>. Available at no charge from the

Web site at <http://www.chcf.org/topics/download.cfm?pg=policy&fn=ExpandingAccessToDentalCare%2Epdf&pid=510884&itemid=133725>.

FINAL PROGRESS REPORT: STATE ORAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE SYSTEMS GRANT—CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY-BASED SEALANT PROGRAM

Wilson AA. 2008. *Final Progress Report: State Oral Health Collaborative Systems Grant—Connecticut Community-Based Sealant Program*. Hartford, CT: Connecticut Department of Public Health. 13 pp., plus attachments.

This final report presents findings from a State Oral Health Collaborative Systems project to increase entry of children enrolled in Medicaid, the Children’s Health Insurance Program, and others into long-term, comprehensive oral health services. Contents include descriptions of the problem and experience to date. Objectives, accomplishments, strengths, and weaknesses are outlined for each project goal. Recommendations for a model dental sealant program and a list of publications and products are included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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FIRST 5 CALIFORNIA ORAL HEALTH EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROJECT: FINAL EVALUATION REPORT

Barbara Aved Associates. 2008. *First 5 California Oral Health Education and Training Project: Final Evaluation Report*. Sacramento, CA: California Dental Association Foundation, First Smiles Education and Training Project. 137 pp.

This report summarizes findings from an evaluation of First Smiles, a First 5 California Oral Health Education and Training Initiative designed to deliver education and training to health professionals and community-based programs such as the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children and Head Start. Contents include data

sources and methods and findings on the study population and outcomes presented in the following four areas: knowledge gain and retention, increase in self-perceived skills, adoption of desired behaviors and practices, and improvement in access and systems changes. Outcomes related to parent education are also presented.

Contact: California Dental Association Foundation, First Smiles Education and Training Project, 1201 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Telephone: (916) 554-4918; fax: (916) 498-6182; Web site: <http://www.First5OralHealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.first5oralhealth.org/downloads/0/1589/First%205%20Oral%20Hlth%20Final%20Eval%20Reprt%20for%20CDAF-DHF.pdf>.

FLORIDA EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES: SITE VISIT FEBRUARY 26–27, 2008—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IV. 2008. *Florida EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services: Site Visit February 26–27, 2008—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IV. 13 pp.

This report describes efforts Florida has made to address the rate of children’s utilization of oral health services in the state and to make recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state’s oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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GEORGIA EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES: SITE VISIT MAY 20–30, 2008—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IV. 2008. *Georgia EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services: Site Visit May 20–30, 2008—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IV. 15 pp.

This report describes efforts Georgia has made to address the rate of children’s utilization of oral health services in the state and makes recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state’s oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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KEEP KANSAS SMILING: ORAL HEALTH IN THE SUNFLOWER STATE—KANSAS ORAL HEALTH GRADING PROJECT 2009

Rogers E. 2009. *Keep Kansas Smiling: Oral Health in the Sunflower State—Kansas Oral Health Grading Project 2009*. Chicago, IL: Oral Health America. 20 pp.

This report provides an overview of oral health in Kansas, using primary data sources and information collected through conversations with the state’s Office of Oral Health and Oral Health Kansas. Grading categories are intended to call greater policy attention to oral disease prevention, access to care, infrastructure, health status, and oral-health-related laws.

Contact: Oral Health America, 410 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 352, Chicago, IL 60611-4211. Telephone: (312) 836-9900; fax: (312) 836-9986; Web site: <http://www.oralhealthamerica.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.oralhealthamerica.org/Kansas_Report_LowRes_Spreads.pdf.

LOUISIANA EPSDT REVIEW, DENTAL SERVICES: APRIL 8–10, 2008, SITE VISIT—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VI. 2008. *Louisiana EPSDT Review, Dental Services: April 8–10, 2008, Site Visit—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VI. 14 pp.

This report describes efforts Louisiana has made to address the rate of children’s utilization of oral health

services in the state and makes recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state's oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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MARYLAND FINAL REPORT FORMAT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EHS/HS STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Zang L. 2008. *Maryland Final Report Format: Follow-up Activities to EHS/HS State/Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Baltimore, MD: Maryland Department of Education. 9 pp.

This report describes activities conducted from February through May 2008 in follow-up to the Head Start oral health forum held on May 3, 2006, in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. The report includes an overview of proposed activities and how they relate to the state action plan, activities accomplished, immediate outcomes, additional follow-up activities planned, and a budget explanation. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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MARYLAND ORAL HEALTH RESOURCE GUIDE

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health. 2008. *Maryland Oral Health Resource Guide*. Baltimore, MD: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health. 20 pp.

This guide is intended to assist individuals, consumer groups, and government agencies in finding affordable and appropriate oral health care services in Maryland and the immediate surrounding regions. The guide contains information on programs or public facilities that provide discounted or special oral health services, organized by county or jurisdiction. Information on services for individuals and families living with HIV and AIDS, those who are homebound, those who have special health care needs, and those enrolled in Maryland Medical Assistance are included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health, 201 West Preston Street, Room 306, Baltimore, MD 21201. Telephone: (410) 767-5300; fax: (410) 333-7106; Web site: <http://www.fha.state.md.us/oralhealth>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.fha.state.md.us/pdf/oralhealth/2008_Oral_Health_Resource_Guide.pdf.

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MICHIGAN'S EARLY PERIODIC SCREENING DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT PROGRAM WITH A FOCUS ON DENTAL SERVICES: MANAGEMENT REVIEW FINAL REPORT—MARCH 17–20, 2008, SITE VISIT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region V. 2008. *Michigan's Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment Program with a Focus on Dental Services: Management Review Final Report—March 17–20, 2008, Site Visit*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region V. 14 pp.

This report describes efforts Michigan has made to address the rate of children's utilization of oral health services in the state and makes recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state's oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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MISSOURI'S EARLY PERIODIC SCREENING AND DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT PROGRAM DENTAL SERVICES MANAGEMENT REVIEW: MARCH 31–APRIL 3, 2008, SITE VISIT—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VII. 2008. *Missouri's Early Periodic Screening and Diagnosis and Treatment Program Dental Services Management Review: March 31–April 3, 2008, Site Visit—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VII. 25 pp.

This report describes the efforts Missouri has made to address the rate of children's utilization of oral health services in the state and makes recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase utilization rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state's oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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MONTANA EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES: APRIL 1–3 2008, SITE VISIT—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VIII. 2008. *Montana EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services: April 1–3 2008, Site Visit—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VIII. 11 pp.

This report describes the efforts Montana has made to address the rate of children's utilization of oral health services in the state and makes recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state's oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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org. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/CMSreview_MT.pdf.

NEVADA EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES: MARCH 18–21, 2008, SITE VISIT—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IX. 2008. *Nevada EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services: March 18–21, 2008, Site Visit—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IX. 14 pp.

This report describes the efforts Nevada has made to address the rate of children's utilization of oral health services in the state and makes recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state's oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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NEW JERSEY EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES: MARCH 2008 SITE VISIT—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region II. 2008. *New Jersey EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services: March 2008 Site Visit—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region II. 13 pp.

This report describes the efforts New Jersey has made to address the rate of children's utilization of oral health services in the state and to make recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state's oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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NEW JERSEY SMILES: A MEDICAID QUALITY COLLABORATIVE TO IMPROVE ORAL HEALTH IN KIDS

Center for Health Care Strategies. 2008. *New Jersey Smiles: A Medicaid Quality Collaborative to Improve Oral Health in Kids*. Hamilton, NJ: Center for Health Care Strategies. 2 pp.

This chart outlines different proposed frameworks in New Jersey to increase the number of infants and children from birth through age 5 who have received an annual dental visit. The chart outlines identification, outreach, and intervention steps to take and how outcomes will be measured.

Contact: Center for Health Care Strategies, 200 American Metro Boulevard, Suite 119, Hamilton, NJ 08619. Telephone: (609) 528-8400; fax: (609) 586-3497; e-mail: sas@chcs.org; Web site: <http://www.chcs.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.chcs.org/usr_doc/NJ_Smiles_Change_Package_and_Measurement_Plan.pdf.

NEW YORK EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES: FEBRUARY 2008 SITE VISIT—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region II. 2008. *New York EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services: February 2008 Site Visit—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region II. 16 pp.

This report describes efforts New York has made to address the rate of children’s utilization of oral health services in the state and to make recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state’s oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/CMSreview_NY.pdf.

NORTH DAKOTA EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES: MARCH 18–20, 2008, SITE VISIT—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VIII. 2008. *North Dakota EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services: March 18–20, 2008, Site Visit—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region VIII. 13 pp.

This report describes the efforts North Dakota has made to address the rate of children’s utilization of oral health services in the state and to make recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state’s oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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PENNSYLVANIA EPSDT REVIEW REPORT, DENTAL SERVICES: APRIL 2008 SITE VISIT—FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region III. 2008. *Pennsylvania EPSDT Review Report, Dental Services: April 2008 Site Visit—Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region III. 16 pp.

This report describes the efforts Pennsylvania has made to address the rate of children’s utilization of oral health services in the state and to make recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state’s oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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REPORT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSTIC AND TREATMENT (EPSDT) PROGRAM WITH A FOCUS ON DENTAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN: FINAL REPORT

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region III. 2008. *Report of the District of Columbia's Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) Program with a Focus on Dental Services for Children: Final Report*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region III. 12 pp.

This report describes the efforts the District of Columbia has made to address the rate of children's utilization of oral health services in the district and to make recommendations on actions the district can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state's oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses.

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SIUC HEAD START: WORKING TO IMPROVE ORAL HEALTH OF CHILDREN—EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF ORAL HEALTH STATUS SEPTEMBER 2008

SIUC Head Start. 2008. *SIUC Head Start: Working to Improve Oral Health of Children—Executive Summary of Oral Health Status September 2008*. Carbondale, IL: SIUC Head Start. 7 pp.

This brief presents the status of oral health services for participants enrolled in the Southern Illinois University Carbondale Head Start program. Topics include the available oral health services, data on completed oral examinations, lack of health professionals and time frames in which to complete the examinations, oral

health education, and an outline of community outreach and collaboration efforts.

Contact: SIUC Head Start, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 1900 North Illinois Avenue, Carbondale, IL 62901. Telephone: (618) 453-6448; (618) 997-2216; Web site: <http://www.siuc.edu/~headstart>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/SIUC_HeadStart.pdf.

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TENNESSEE FINAL REPORT FORMAT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EHS/HS STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Coscarelli J. 2008. *Tennessee Final Report Format: Follow-up Activities to EHS/HS State/Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Nashville, TN: Tennessee Head Start State Collaboration Office. 18 pp.

This report describes activities conducted in follow-up to the Head Start oral health forum held on May 17, 2007, in Nashville, Tennessee. It includes an overview of proposed activities and how they relate to the state action plan, activities accomplished, and a budget explanation. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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THREE INDEPENDENT EVALUATIONS OF HEALTHY KIDS PROGRAMS FIND DRAMATIC GAINS IN CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH CARE

Hughes D, Howell E, Trenholm C, Hill I, Dubay L. 2008. *Three Independent Evaluations of Healthy Kids Programs Find Dramatic Gains in Children's Dental Health Care*. Princeton, NJ: Mathematica Policy Research. 5 pp.

This brief presents highlights from independent evaluations of the Healthy Kids programs in three California counties—Los Angeles, San Mateo, and Santa Clara. These programs provide children from families with low incomes—but who are ineligible for California's two major state insurance programs—with comprehen-

sive health-insurance coverage, including a broad range of medical, dental, and vision care; prescription drugs; and mental health services. The brief describes some of the positive impacts that Healthy Kids has had on children's access to and use of oral health services.

Contact: Mathematica Policy Research, P.O. Box 2393, Princeton, NJ 08543-2393. Telephone: (609) 799-3535; fax: (609) 799-0005; e-mail: info@mathematica-mpr.com; Web site: <http://www.mathematica-mpr.com>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.mathematica-mpr.com/publications/redirect_pubsdb.asp?strSite=PDFs/CHIIdental.pdf.

**WISCONSIN EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING,
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FOCUS ON DENTAL SERVICES: MANAGEMENT REVIEW
FINAL REPORT—MARCH 3–5, 2008, SITE VISIT**

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IX. 2008. *Wisconsin Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Program with a Focus on Dental Services: Management Review Final Report—March 3–5, 2008, Site Visit*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Region IX. 20 pp.

This report describes the efforts Wisconsin has made to address the rate of children's utilization of oral health services in the state and to make recommendations on actions that the state can take to increase these rates. Contents include background on the evaluation process; the scope of the review; an introduction to the state's oral health services for children; and review descriptions, concerns, and recommendations and responses divided into key topic areas.

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