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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. An electronic version of the publication with clickable links to all the URLs shown is available at <http://www.mchoralhealth.org/materials/multiples/interchange.html>.

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 AND SURVEILLANCE

### 2010 ORAL HEALTH SURVEY REPORT: INFANTS AND TODDLERS IN IOWA'S WIC PROGRAM

Rodgers T. 2010. *2010 Oral Health Survey Report: Infants and Toddlers in Iowa's WIC Program*. Des Moines, IA: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 5 pp.

This report describes the process and results of an oral health screening of children participating in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC). Contents also include a description of screening objectives, a discussion of targeted populations of children and of the state I-Smile program, and a review of conclusions. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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### ASSESSING WORKFORCE NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCHOOL BASED HEALTH CENTERS IN CALIFORNIA

Preston B, Dower C. 2010. *Assessing Workforce Needs & Opportunities for School Based Health Centers in California*. San Francisco, CA: University of California, San Francisco, Center for the Health Professions. 13 pp.

This issue brief describes California school-based health clinics' work force needs, funding opportunities for the clinics, and what is necessary to set a statewide strategy to improve child health and school performance in California. Data are presented on the types of schools, geography, sponsors, services, and staffing. Information on health information technology, personnel recruitment and retention, current funding sources, payment for services, and training is included.

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476-8181; fax: (415) 476-4113; e-mail: [eoneil@the-center.ucsf.edu](mailto:eoneil@the-center.ucsf.edu); website: <http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu>. Available at [http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu/Content/29/2010-12\\_Assessing\\_Workforce\\_Needs\\_and\\_Opportunities\\_for\\_School\\_Based\\_Health\\_Centers\\_in\\_California.pdf](http://futurehealth.ucsf.edu/Content/29/2010-12_Assessing_Workforce_Needs_and_Opportunities_for_School_Based_Health_Centers_in_California.pdf).

### THE BURDEN OF ORAL DISEASE IN MARYLAND

Altama-Johnson D. 2010. *The Burden of Oral Disease in Maryland*. Baltimore, MD: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health. 50 pp.

This report provides an overview of the burden of oral diseases in Maryland. It includes data on oral health status for children and adults, oral cancer, tobacco use, preventive care, access to care, disparities, and education and training as well as some policy mandates that help shape dental practice, health quality, prevention, and access to care in Maryland. The report also highlights the gap that exists in rural areas as well as access-to-care disparities in the state.

**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; (800) 735-2258; fax: (410) 333-7392; e-mail: [oralhealth@dnhm.state.md.us](mailto:oralhealth@dnhm.state.md.us); website: <http://fha.maryland.gov/oralhealth>. Available at [http://fha.maryland.gov/pdf/oralhealth/burden\\_oral\\_diseasesim\\_maryland\\_may2010.pdf](http://fha.maryland.gov/pdf/oralhealth/burden_oral_diseasesim_maryland_may2010.pdf).

### CATALOG OF SURVEYS AND ARCHIVE OF PROCEDURES RELATED TO ORAL HEALTH

Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Data Resource Center. 2011. *Catalog of Surveys and Archive of Procedures Related to Oral Health*. Rockville, MD: Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Data Resource Center. Semi-annual.

This two-part database links descriptions of oral health data sources (catalog) with descriptions of procedures (archive) used in the data sources to provide a central and up-to-date resource for public health research, program planning, and policymaking. The catalog describes

surveys and studies related to oral health, including sample design, data-collection methods, population studied or surveyed, geographic region, and references. The archive describes clinical indices, questionnaires, and other methods of measuring oral health including the method's background; historical changes or well-established modified versions of the method; and related references, surveys, and studies. The catalog and the archive are updated every 6 months.

**Contact:** Pamela Martinez. Dental, Oral and Cranio-facial Data Resource Center, 2101 Gaither Road, Suite 600, Rockville, MD 20850-4006. Telephone: (301) 527-6670; fax: (301) 527-6401; e-mail: [oralhealthdrc@ngc.com](mailto:oralhealthdrc@ngc.com); website: <http://drc.hhs.gov>. Available at <http://drc.hhs.gov/catalog.htm>.

**DENTAL EXPENDITURES IN THE 10 LARGEST STATES, 2007**

Rohde F. 2010. *Dental Expenditures in the 10 Largest States, 2007*. Rockville, MD: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.

This fact sheet presents estimates based on data from the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey—Household Component (MEPS-HC) on the use, costs, and sources of payment for oral health care expenditures for the 10 largest (per capita) states, and it compares the results to the national average. Highlights from the findings, the data source, definitions of expenditures, and an overview of the MEPS-HC are included.

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**EMERGENCY ROOM USE**

Washington State Hospital Association, Health Information Program. 2010. *Emergency Room Use*. Seattle, WA: Washington State Hospital Association. 15 pp.

This report shares visit-level data on emergency room (ER) use to provide information for public policy advocacy and hospital planning. Key questions include the following: who comes to the ER for care, what care is provided in the ER, and when is demand for emergency

care higher or lower. Topics also include health insurance status and use of the ER when the primary care setting may be more appropriate.

**Contact:** Washington State Hospital Association, 300 Elliott Avenue West, Suite 300, Seattle, WA 98119. Telephone: (206) 281-7211; fax: (206) 283-6122; e-mail: <http://www.wsha.org/contactus.cfm>; website: <http://www.wsha.org>. Available at <http://www.wsha.org/files/127/ERreport.pdf>.

**FY 2011 OFFICE OF HEAD START MONITORING PROTOCOL AND GUIDES**

Office of Head Start. 2010. *FY 2011 Office of Head Start Monitoring Protocol and Guides*. Washington, DC: Office of Head Start. Annual.

This tool guides the Office of Head Start's on-site monitoring review. The protocol identifies key requirements (performance standards and regulations) against which to monitor Head Start grantee performance. The accompanying guides organize the evidence-gathering process, linking to compliance indicators and frameworks within the protocol. The protocol can be accessed as one document or by service area.

**Contact:** Office of Head Start, 1250 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Eighth Floor, Washington, DC 20024. Telephone: (202) 205-8347; fax: (202) 260-9336; website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ohs/index.html>. Available at <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/Head%20Start%20Program/Program%20Design%20and%20Management/Head%20Start%20Requirements/FY%202008%20OHS%20Monitoring%20Protocol>.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE 2008–09 THIRD GRADE HEALTHY SMILES—HEALTHY GROWTH SURVEY: ORAL HEALTH AND BODY MASS INDEX ASSESSMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE 3RD GRADE STUDENTS**

New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Prevention Services. 2010. *New Hampshire 2008–09 Third Grade Healthy Smiles—Healthy Growth Survey: Oral Health and Body Mass Index Assessment of New Hampshire 3rd Grade Students*. Concord, NH: New Hampshire Division of Public Health Services.

This report presents findings from an oral health screening and body mass index assessment among students in

third grade in New Hampshire public schools. Topics include demographics of children undergoing oral health screenings and height and weight measurements. Statewide and regional prevalence statistics on tooth decay experience, dental sealants, oral health treatment urgency, overweight, and obesity are also addressed.

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**ORAL HEALTH STATUS AND ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE AMONG RHODE ISLAND CHILDREN AND ADULTS: 2008 BRFSS**

Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program and Center for Data and Analysis. 2010. *Oral Health Status and Access to Dental Care Among Rhode Island Children and Adults: 2008 BRFSS*. Providence, RI: Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 4 pp.

This report focuses on oral health insurance coverage, access to oral health care, and oral health status among children and adults in Rhode Island. The information is based on self-reported data from the Rhode Island Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. The data are presented for children and adolescents under age 18, adolescents and adults ages 18–64, and adults ages 64 and over. The report presents bar graphs showing percentages of having coverage, receipt of oral check-ups or cleanings in the past 12 months, receipt of oral cancer examination in the past 12 months, having tooth decay (treated or untreated), and loss of at least one tooth due to tooth decay or periodontal disease.

**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; website: <http://www.health.ri.gov/disease/primarycare/oralhealth/index.php>. Available at <http://www.health.ri.gov/publications/healthriskreports/2008OralHealth.pdf>.

**PERCENTAGE OF PERSONS UNABLE TO GET OR DELAYED IN GETTING NEEDED MEDICAL CARE, DENTAL CARE, OR PRESCRIPTION MEDICINES: UNITED STATES, 2007**

Chevarley FM. 2010. *Percentage of Persons Unable to Get or Delayed in Getting Needed Medical Care, Dental Care, or Prescription Medicines: United States, 2007*. Rockville, MD: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. 7 pp.

This brief presents estimates of the percentage of individuals unable to obtain or delayed in obtaining needed health care, including oral health care and prescription medicines, within the last 12 months. Estimates are drawn from the household component of the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey. Data are provided by age, race and ethnicity, education, family income, and health insurance status.

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**PREVALENCE AND SEVERITY OF DENTAL FLUOROSIS IN THE UNITED STATES, 1999–2004**

Beltran-Aguilar ED, Barker L, Dye BA. 2010. *Prevalence and Severity of Dental Fluorosis in the United States, 1999–2004*. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 7 pp.

This data brief describes the prevalence and severity of dental fluorosis in the United States and changes in the prevalence and severity of fluorosis among adolescents between 1986–1987 and 1999–2004. Contents include key findings, a summary, definitions, and data source and methods. Statistical data from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, 1999–2004 and the 1986–1987 National Survey of Oral Health in School Children are presented in charts and graphs throughout the report.

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**RHODE ISLAND ORAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE PLAN**

Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 2010. *Rhode Island Oral Health Surveillance Plan*. Providence, RI: Rhode Island Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 37 pp.

This plan outlines national oral health indicators, current and potential oral health data sets in Rhode Island, and the maintenance of these data sets. Topics include target populations, data collection schedule and protocols, anticipated analysis, dissemination and use of the information, and confidentiality of the data. Additionally, a section on evaluating the quality, efficiency, and usefulness of the Rhode Island Oral Health Surveillance System and the Rhode Island Oral Health Surveillance Plan is included.

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**SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS: AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON FEDERAL FUNDING**

Government Accountability Office. 2010. *School-Based Health Centers: Available Information on Federal Funding*. Washington, DC: Government Accountability Office. 19 pp.

This report describes federal grant funds and Medicaid reimbursements received by school-based health centers (SBHCs). Topics include the characteristics and geographic locations of SBHCs, the types and sources of federal grant funds that SBHCs receive, and the types of insurance and programs that SBHCs bill. Information on SBHC-related provisions enacted as part of health care reform is also included.

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**SECURING A HEALTHY FUTURE: THE COMMONWEALTH FUND STATE SCORECARD ON CHILD HEALTH SYSTEM PERFORMANCE, 2011**

How SKH, Fryer S-K, McCarthy D, Schoen C, Schor E. 2011. *Securing a Healthy Future: The Commonwealth Fund State Scorecard on Child Health System Performance, 2011*. New York, NY: Commonwealth Fund. 89 pp.

This report identifies opportunities to improve child health by examining state performance on 20 key health-system indicators for children along four dimensions: access and affordability, prevention and treatment, the potential to lead healthy lives, and equity. The analysis ranks states and the District of Columbia on each indicator and on the four dimensions. The authors also examine the potential of reform efforts as states, communities, professionals, and others work to organize more effective local delivery systems that, collectively, determine statewide performance.

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**SMILE SURVEY, 2010**

Washington State Department of Health. 2010. *Smile Survey, 2010*. Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Health. 41 pp.

This report presents findings from a statewide oral health screening survey of students enrolled in Head Start and related programs for young children from families with low incomes, as well as those attending kindergarten and third grade in public schools in Washington. Contents include facts about childhood tooth decay; survey methodology; and key findings on disparities, untreated decay and treatment need, dental sealants, and Healthy People oral health objectives. State oral health plan strategies are included. The appendices contain information on the impact of oral health on general health and well-being, detailed survey methodology, participating sites and schools, and survey results by grade.



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information on the Early Head Start, Head Start, and migrant/seasonal programs; participant demographics; families and child care; and staff, including teachers.

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**SURVEY OF HEALTH CENTER ORAL HEALTH PROVIDERS: DENTAL SALARIES, PROVIDER SATISFACTION, AND RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION STRATEGIES**

Bolin KA. 2010. *Survey of Health Center Oral Health Providers: Dental Salaries, Provider Satisfaction, and Recruitment and Retention Strategies*. Denver, CO: National Network for Oral Health Access. 36 pp.

This report provides information and analysis on salaries, provider satisfaction, and recruitment and retention strategies at health centers throughout the United States. The 2009 survey polled dentists, dental hygienists, and executive directors of health centers providing oral health services. Topics include reasons for oral health professionals choosing a health center career, benefits and work environment satisfaction, years of professional experience, and likelihood of continuing to practice in a health center environment. Appendices include sample surveys and charts representing responses tabulated by various methods.

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**MEETINGS**

**RAISING THE MOMENTUM THROUGH CONTINUITY OF CARE: FINDING DENTAL HOMES FOR AMERICA'S CHILDREN—SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS**

American Dental Association. 2010. *Raising the Momentum Through Continuity of Care: Finding Dental Homes for America's Children—Symposium Proceedings*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 82 pp.

This report summarizes proceedings of a symposium held on July 22–23, 2010, in Chicago, IL, to identify promising practices for community oral health programs. Contents include an overview of the Give Kids a Smile (GKAS) Oral Health Awareness and Education Literacy Program, a statistical analysis and overview of the 2010 GKAS Day data, and an overview of the 2010 GKAS grant recipients. Additional topics include the following: care continuity, the GKAS database, dental students as strategic partners, providing access to free health care and case management to children who are uninsured, creating and sustaining a safety net for school-age children, Medicaid, continuing education, volunteers, and increasing access to oral health care for vulnerable populations through community health workers.

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**UNITED STATES: HEAD START BY THE NUMBERS—2009 PIR PROFILE**

Center for Law and Social Policy. 2010. *United States: Head Start by the Numbers—2009 PIR Profile*. Washington, DC: Center for Law and Social Policy. 4 pp.

This fact sheet is based on the 2009 Head Start Program Information Report data and includes statistical

**SYMPOSIUM ON EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES IN AMERICAN INDIAN CHILDREN AND ALASKA NATIVE CHILDREN**

American Dental Association, Council on Access, Prevention and Interprofessional Relations. 2011. *Symposium on Early Childhood Caries in American Indian Children and Alaska Native Children*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association, Council on Access, Prevention and Interprofessional Relations. 20 pp.

This report summarizes presentations from a symposium held on October 20–22, 2010, in Rapid City, SD, to discuss the state of the science of caries in the primary teeth of American Indian children and Alaska Native children, identify aspects that are insufficiently understood, and make recommendations on how to fill those gaps. Topics include epidemiology, microbiology, enamel hypoplasia, and new intervention products. The report concludes with a discussion of issues that need to be addressed to reduce rampant caries in these children’s primary teeth.

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**POLICY**

**ADVANCING ORAL HEALTH IN AMERICA**

Institute of Medicine Committee on an Oral Health Initiative. 2011. *Advancing Oral Health in America*. Washington, DC: National Academies Press. 196 pp., brief (4 pp.).

This report explores how the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) can enhance its role as a leader in improving the nation’s oral health and oral health care. The report begins with an overview of the link between oral health and overall health and well-being as well as the factors that can affect oral health improvement. The authors then address the oral health care system, including where services are provided, how they are paid for, who delivers them, how the work force is educated and trained to provide them, and how the work force is regulated. Finally, the report explores the role of DHHS in oral health education and training as well as in supporting the delivery of

oral health services. A limited examination of the role DHHS plays in overseeing safety net providers such as federally qualified health centers is included.

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**BATTLES AMONG LICENSED OCCUPATIONS: ANALYZING GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS ON LABOR MARKET OUTCOMES FOR DENTISTS AND HYGIENISTS**

Kleiner MM, Park KW. 2010. *Battles Among Licensed Occupations: Analyzing Government Regulations on Labor Market Outcomes for Dentists and Hygienists*. Cambridge, MA: National Bureau of Economic Research. 42 pp.

This paper focuses on the labor market implications of government requirements related to tasks that dental hygienists are allowed to perform and to dentists’ supervision of dental hygienists’ work. Topics include the evolution of licensing for dentists and hygienists, the legal conditions governing permissible tasks for hygienists that impact both occupations, and the conflict that has arisen over the allocation of work and supervision of tasks.

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**BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS TO ORAL HEALTH FOR ALL AMERICANS: THE ROLE OF WORKFORCE**

American Dental Association. 2011. *Breaking Down Barriers to Oral Health for All Americans: The Role of Workforce*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 14 pp.

This document describes the American Dental Association’s vision for breaking down the barriers that prevent Americans from enjoying good oral health. It focuses on work force issues, such as the need for an adequate oral health work force located where it is needed and sufficiently funded to carry out its mission. Additional topics include breaking down barriers to access;

improving oral health literacy; improving disparities among racial and ethnic groups, people with disabilities, and people with low incomes; expanding or redefining roles and responsibilities of the oral health work force; and the use of public health interventions and safety net delivery systems.

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**COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE IN AMERICAN DENTISTRY: PRACTICE AND POTENTIAL**

Mertz E, Lindler V, Dower C. 2011. *Collaborative Practice in American Dentistry: Practice and Potential*. San Francisco, CA: University of California, San Francisco, Center for the Health Professions. 24 pp.

This report addresses the potential of collaborative practice models in providing primary oral health care within the oral-health-care-delivery system in the United States. Topics include how collaborative practices are arranged and how they may affect client care, income, productivity, and the culture of oral health practice. The report concludes with a discussion of ways to facilitate the adoption of collaborative practice within the oral health care field.

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**DENTAL AMALGAM POLICY STATEMENT**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2010. *Dental Amalgam Policy Statement*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 4 pp.

This document discusses the use and safety of amalgams mercury in dental practice. It provides information from literature reviews and studies and presents the association's policy statement on the topic.

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**A FINE BALANCE: MITIGATING THE FINANCIAL CHALLENGES FACED BY SAFETY NET DENTAL CLINICS—FINDINGS FROM AN EVALUATION OF THE STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY DENTAL PRACTICES DEMONSTRATION PROJECT**

Nolan C, Lo F, Lee K. 2011. *A Fine Balance: Mitigating the Financial Challenges Faced by Safety Net Dental Clinics—Findings from an Evaluation of the Strengthening Community Dental Practices Demonstration Project*. San Francisco, CA: Harder+Company Community Research. 64 pp.

This report summarizes findings on the potential of practice-management consulting to strengthen community oral health practices. The report is based on an evaluation of a project to ascertain the effectiveness of an intensive year-long engagement of individualized assistance aimed at improving the long-term sustainability of safety net dental clinics. Contents include information about the project's participating clinics and providers, implementation, and results. The consulting model, considerations for future work, and recommendations are also presented. The appendices address clinic case studies, attributes and data, goals and outcomes, communities, and interview participants.

**Contact:** Harder+Company, 299 Kansas Street, San Francisco, CA 94103. Telephone: (415) 522-5400; fax: (415) 522-5445; website: <http://www.harderco.com>. Available at <http://harderco.com/wp-content/uploads/SCDP-Report-JAN2011-FINAL.pdf>.

**HEALTH STARTS WHERE WE LEARN**

Riley RW. 2011. *Health Starts Where We Learn*. Princeton, NJ: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. 8 pp.

This essay discusses how improving education levels can increase life expectancy more effectively than medical advances can. It also discusses how schools can be used as opportunities to improve the health of a significant portion of the population each day. In addition, the essay describes an increase in sales tax

that was dedicated to improving education in South Carolina.

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**THE HEALTHY SCHOOL COMMUNITIES MODEL:  
ALIGNING HEALTH AND EDUCATION IN THE SCHOOL  
SETTING**

Valois RF, Slade S, Ashford E. 2011. *The Healthy School Communities Model: Aligning Health and Education in the School Setting*. Alexandria, VA: ASCD. 59 pp.

This publication describes the benefits and drawbacks of the traditional coordinated school health model, the need for a new view of health and education, and the actions required of schools and school communities to realize systemic change. The actions are divided into nine levers of change that focus on the administration, staff, students, and community at the school level. Topics include moving school health leadership to the principal, what makes leaders effective, building a school-improvement plan around the whole child, making data meaningful, the features of effective professional development, the concept of school community, building partnerships and involving stakeholders, and the limits of programmatic change and the effect of systemic change on policy and practice.

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**HHS ACTION PLAN TO REDUCE HEALTH DISPARITIES:  
A NATION FREE OF DISPARITIES IN HEALTH AND IN  
HEALTH CARE**

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2011. *HHS Action Plan to Reduce Health Disparities: A Nation Free of Disparities in Health and in Health Care*. Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 46 pp.

This action plan, which complements the 2011 National Stakeholder Strategy for Achieving Health Equity, provides an overview of racial and ethnic health disparities in the United States and presents the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services's (DHHS's) approach for reducing health disparities and achieving health equity. The action plan discusses new opportunities; the plan's vision, purpose, and priorities; and goals. Goals include strengthening the health and human services infrastructure and work force; advancing health, safety, and well-being; advancing scientific knowledge and innovation; and increasing efficiency, transparency, and accountability of DHHS programs.

**Contact:** Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20201. Telephone: (202) 619-0257; (877) 696-6775; website: <http://www.hhs.gov>. Available at [http://www.minorityhealth.hhs.gov/npa/files/Plans/HHS/HHS\\_Plan\\_complete.pdf](http://www.minorityhealth.hhs.gov/npa/files/Plans/HHS/HHS_Plan_complete.pdf).

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**IMPROVING ACCESS TO AND UTILIZATION OF ORAL  
HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN IN MEDICAID AND  
CHIP PROGRAMS: CMS ORAL HEALTH STRATEGY**

Norris L. 2011. *Improving Access to and Utilization of Oral Health Services for Children in Medicaid and CHIP Programs: CMS Oral Health Strategy*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 8 pp.

This report is intended to guide federal efforts in working with states to improve access to oral health services for children enrolled in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Topics include the principle barriers to oral health care for children and oral health goals for Medicaid and CHIP. The report also outlines the following components of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' oral health strategy: (1) work with states to develop a pediatric oral health action plan, (2) strengthen technical assistance to states and facilitate state and tribal peer-to-peer learning, (3) provide outreach to health professionals and beneficiaries, and (4) partner with other agencies within the Department of Health and Human Services.

**Contact:** Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244. Telephone: (877) 267-2323; (410) 786-3000; (866) 226-1819; (410) 786-0272; website: <http://cms.hhs.gov>. Available at <http://www.cms.gov/MedicaidDentalCoverage/Downloads/CMSDentalStrategyFINAL040411.pdf>.



**IT TAKES A TEAM: HOW NEW DENTAL PROVIDERS CAN BENEFIT PATIENTS AND PRACTICES**

The Pew Children’s Dental Campaign. 2010. *It Takes a Team: How New Dental Providers Can Benefit Patients and Practices*. Washington, DC: The Pew Center on the States. 4 items.

This report examines the potential effects of dental therapists and hygienist-therapists on the productivity and profits of private dental practices. Contents include scenarios of how current and new types of health professionals could change client capacity and revenues of private practices. Implications for policy are also discussed. The economic tool—the Productivity and Profit Calculator—used to create the scenarios is provided separately to help advocates, dentists, and policymakers assess the unique variables from their states or communities to better understand the potential effects of adding allied health professionals to the oral health team.

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**MANDATORY REPORTERS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT: SUMMARY OF STATE LAWS**

Child Welfare Information Gateway. 2010. *Mandatory Reporters of Child Abuse and Neglect: Summary of State Laws*. Washington, DC: Child Welfare Information Gateway. 55 pp.

This document provides the statutory basis for identifying persons who are required to report child maltreatment under certain circumstances for all of the United States, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories. Lists include a description of the person required to report maltreatment, standards for making a report, privileged communications, and inclusion or other disclosure of the reporter’s identity.

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**MOBILE AND PORTABLE DENTAL SERVICES IN PRESCHOOL AND SCHOOL SETTINGS: COMPLEX ISSUES**

Isman B. 2011. *Mobile and Portable Dental Services in Preschool and School Settings: Complex Issues*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 16 pp.

This brief highlights issues confronting communities and states providing oral health services in education settings using self-contained motorized mobile vans, nonmotorized mobile trailers, or portable dental equipment. Contents include background information on oral health services in preschools and schools and specific strategies to address key issues. Recommendations for action at the national, state, and local levels are included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**MOVING ON THE ORAL HEALTH PROVISIONS IN HEALTH REFORM: A ROADMAP FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

Children’s Dental Health Project. 2011. *Moving on the Oral Health Provisions in Health Reform: A Roadmap for Implementation*. Washington, DC: Children’s Dental Health Project. 13 pp.

This white paper explores how oral health provisions for children in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act can be sufficiently supported, implemented, and evaluated to improve oral health for all. Topics include an overview of health determinants, the burden of oral disease in the United States, oral health disparities among children, and consequences of poor oral health. Strategies reviewed include opportunities in prevention and disease management; new solutions; work force enhancements; opportunities in improving the oral health safety net, public health dental sealant programs, other public health programming and surveillance; and integrating oral health into public health and wellness programs.

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**NATIONAL STAKEHOLDER STRATEGY FOR ACHIEVING HEALTH EQUITY**

Department of Health, Office of Minority Health. 2011. *National Stakeholder Strategy for Achieving Health Equity*. Washington, DC: Department of Health, Office of Minority Health. 198 pp.

This report, which is a companion to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Action Plan to Reduce Health Disparities, provides a strategy for eliminating health disparities in the United States through cooperative and strategic actions. The report discusses the development of the national stakeholder strategy, provides context, discusses the strategy itself, and presents an approach to operationalizing the strategy.

**Contact:** Office of Minority Health Resource Center, P.O. Box 37337, Washington, DC 20013-7337. Telephone: (800) 444-6472; (301) 251-1797; (301) 251-1432; fax: (301) 251-2160; e-mail: [info@omhrc.gov](mailto:info@omhrc.gov); website: <http://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/templates/browse.aspx?lvl=1&lvlID=8>. Available at <http://www.minorityhealth.hhs.gov/npa/templates/content.aspx?lvl=1&lvlid=33&ID=286>.

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**ORAL HEALTH: EFFORTS UNDERWAY TO IMPROVE CHILDREN'S ACCESS TO DENTAL SERVICES, BUT SUSTAINED ATTENTION NEEDED TO ADDRESS ONGOING CONCERNS**

Government Accountability Office. 2010. *Oral Health: Efforts Underway to Improve Children's Access to Dental Services, but Sustained Attention Needed to Address Ongoing Concerns*. Washington, DC: Government Accountability Office. 76 pp.

This report examines aspects of children's access to oral health services. Topics include (1) the extent to which dentists participate in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and federal efforts to help families find participating dentists; (2) differences among states in the provision of oral health services to children enrolled in Medicaid, CHIP, or managed care; (3) federal efforts to improve access for those living in underserved areas; and (4) how states and other countries have used mid-level professionals to improve access.

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**ORAL HEALTH OPPORTUNITIES IN SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS**

Pekruhn C, Strozer J. 2010. *Oral Health Opportunities in School-Based Health Centers*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Policy Center, Children's Dental Health Project and National Assembly on School-Based Health Care. 5 pp.

This issue brief provides state policymakers with an overview of school-based health centers; opportunities to address oral health in schools, including the challenges to establishing and maintaining oral health programs; and examples of innovative applications of oral health care in schools. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**SCHOOL DENTAL SEALANT PROGRAMS POLICY STATEMENT**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2010. *School Dental Sealant Programs Policy Statement*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 4 pp.

This document discusses the problem of dental caries in children and the need for dental sealants to protect against pits and fissures in posterior tooth surfaces. It discusses additional factors leading to tooth decay in children such as poor dietary habits, lack of dental insurance and access to care, and suboptimal levels of fluoride in drinking water. The document concludes with the association's policy statement on the topic.

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**THE STATE OF CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH: MAKING COVERAGE MATTER**

Pew Center on the States. 2011. *The State of Children's Dental Health: Making Coverage Matter*. Washington, DC: Pew Center on the States. 25 pp.

This report and accompanying fact sheets identify policies that states can adopt to improve children's oral health and provide benchmarks for each state that are used to grade their ability to serve children who are or will soon be insured. Core policy areas include dental sealants and fluoridation, Medicaid improvements, innovative work force models, and data collection and reporting. The report presents key findings as well as information on the consequences of poor access to oral health care, the challenges of state budget gaps, and investments in oral health services and coverage through Medicaid. The benchmarks and grades reflect changes that have occurred since an initial 2010 assessment.

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**TRAINING NEW DENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS IN THE U.S. (UPD. ED.)**

Edelstein BL. 2010. *Training New Dental Health Providers in the U.S.* (upd. ed.). Battle Creek, MI: W. K. Kellogg Foundation. 3 items.

This paper addresses training considerations for a variety of new mid-level oral health professionals within the contexts of their scope, supervision, and placement. It examines training experiences, internationally and in the United States, of current personnel and considers the underlying motives and goals of establishing these new professionals. The paper begins with a taxonomy of oral health professionals and explains the types of procedures inherent in oral health care. Discussion then focuses on training of conventional, unconventional, and proposed oral health professionals in the United States and conventional professionals from selected international

locations. Additional topics include policy issues relevant to instituting dental therapists in the United States, goal setting, and criteria for developing training programs. An executive summary and a policy brief are also available.

**Contact:** W. K. Kellogg Foundation, One Michigan Avenue, East, Battle Creek, MI 49017-4012. Telephone: (269) 968-1611; fax: (269) 968-0413; website: <http://www.wkcf.org>. Available at <http://www.wkcf.org/~media/125EDA7EF3F24FEFB737BF1A4EEE2C3C.ashx>.

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**TWO KINDS OF DENTAL SHORTAGES FUEL ONE MAJOR ACCESS PROBLEM**

Pew Children's Dental Campaign. 2011. *Two Kinds of Dental Shortages Fuel One Major Access Problem*. Washington, DC: Pew Center on the States. 4 pp.

This issue brief discusses two different barriers to obtaining oral health care: (1) a severe shortage of oral health professionals in many areas of the country and (2) an even more severe shortage of such professionals who accept clients who participate in Medicaid. The brief provides statistical information on a state-by-state basis on shortages, how states must address them, and how expanding the oral health work force can help.

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**PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

**2010 ANNUAL REPORT: EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS ACROSS THE LIFESPAN**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2011. *2010 Annual Report: Expanding Our Horizons Across the Lifespan*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. Annual.

This report summarizes activities of the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors during the past year. Topics include state infrastructure and capacity, communication, and partnership and policy efforts.



Information about publications is also included. The report focuses on efforts to create dental homes across the lifespan, link dental homes to the larger community, and maintain and improve dental homes. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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#### **ACCESS TO BABY AND CHILD DENTISTRY (ABCD): SUPPLEMENTAL PROVIDER MANUAL**

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Health and Recovery Services Administration. 2010. *Access to Baby and Child Dentistry (ABCD): Supplemental Provider Manual*. Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Health and Recovery Services Administration. Annual.

This manual contains instructions for participating in the oral health program for infants and children ages 5 and under who are eligible for Medicaid in Washington. Topics include eligibility, coverage, authorization, billing, and completing the claim form. Separate billing instructions are available for oral-health-related services provided to children and adolescents ages 5 through 20 and for services provided to adults ages 21 and over. Fee schedules are also available.

**Contact:** Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Medicaid Purchasing Administration, P.O. Box 45505, Olympia, WA 98504-5505. Telephone: (800) 562-3022; e-mail: [ASKMEDICAID@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:ASKMEDICAID@dshs.wa.gov); website: <http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov>. Available at no charge; also available at [http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/download/Billing\\_Instructions\\_Webpages/ABCD\\_Dental\\_BI.htm](http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/download/Billing_Instructions_Webpages/ABCD_Dental_BI.htm).

#### **BE AN ORAL HEALTH CHAMPION: HOW SCHOOL-BASED CLINIC STAFF CAN HELP STUDENTS ACHIEVE GOOD ORAL HEALTH**

Lowe E, Holt K. 2011. *Be an Oral Health Champion: How School-Based Clinic Staff Can Help Students Achieve Good Oral Health*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 4 pp.

This paper lists problems that poor oral health may cause. It also offers tips for promoting oral health with students and parents, for incorporating oral health into the school setting, and for working with others in the community. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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

American Association for Community Dental Programs. 2010. *The Bellwether: Leading Local Efforts to Improve the Nation's Oral Health*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. Irregular.

This newsletter is a periodic publication of the American Association for Community Dental Programs (AACDP) to communicate information to the membership. Topics in the July 2010 issue include the AACDP annual symposium, the Myron Allukian Jr. Lifetime Achievement Award for Outstanding Achievements in Community Dental Programs, a member spotlight, oral health aspects of the health care reform legislation (Public Law 111-148), and 2010–2011 AACDP officers and executive committee members. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**COMPREHENSIVE ORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR IMPROVING CHILDREN’S AND ADOLESCENTS’ ORAL HEALTH THROUGH SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS**

Holt K, Barzel R. 2011. *Comprehensive Oral Health Services for Improving Children’s and Adolescents’ Oral Health Through School-Based Health Centers*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 12 pp.

This paper provides an overview of comprehensive oral health services offered in school-based health centers to assist those interested in initiating and implementing such centers. Topics include an overview and history of school-based health services, examples of national and state programs, administration, partnership and collaboration, financial and nonfinancial support, and evaluation. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**CONNECT ORAL HEALTH TO EVERY CHILD’S MEDICAL CARE**

Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health. 2010. *Connect Oral Health to Every Child’s Medical Care*. Boston, MA: Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health. 68 slides.

This training prepares health professionals to participate in the MassHealth fluoride varnish program. Topics include the child health professional’s role in oral health, the etiology of oral diseases, the relationship between systemic and oral health, performing oral health assessments, identifying appropriate oral-disease-prevention strategies, and understanding when and how to apply fluoride varnish. The training includes links to online pre- and post-tests and information about receiving the BLOCK Oral Disease Toolkit. A fact sheet for health professionals and anticipatory guidance for caregivers, including an active consent form, are also available. The information for caregivers is available in multiple languages.

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**THE DENTAL ASSISTANT’S ROLE IN PREVENTING FAMILY VIOLENCE (REV.)**

Mouden LD. 2010. *The Dental Assistant’s Role in Preventing Family Violence* (rev.). Cincinnati, OH: Procter and Gamble Company. 18 pp.

This continuing education course provides information on dental assistants’ role in preventing family violence. Through understanding what causes family violence and learning the definitions of child abuse and neglect, assistants also learn the protocol for identifying suspected cases of child abuse and neglect. The course helps assistants recognize common symptoms that may mimic symptoms of abuse and learn to intervene in family violence cases in which adults, versus children, are the victims. Additionally, the course helps to familiarize assistants with local and state initiatives to prevent family violence.

**Contact:** Procter and Gamble Company, dentalcare.com, Cincinnati, OH. Telephone: (800) 543-2577; website: <http://www.dentalcare.com>. Available at <http://www.talkingstane.com/media/en-US/education/ce124/ce124.pdf>.

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

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Health and Recovery Services Administration. 2010. *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 oral health program for children and adolescents ages 5 through 20 who are eligible for Medicaid in Washington. 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 adults ages 21 and over are available. Fee schedules are also available.

**Contact:** Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Medicaid Purchasing Administration, P.O. Box 45505, Olympia, WA 98504-5505. Telephone: (800) 562-3022; e-mail: [ASKMEDICAID@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:ASKMEDICAID@dshs.wa.gov); website: <http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov>. Available at no charge; also available at [http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/download/Billing\\_Instructions\\_Webpages/Dental\\_Program\\_ThroughAge20.htm](http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/download/Billing_Instructions_Webpages/Dental_Program_ThroughAge20.htm).

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**DENTISTS AND HEAD START: WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW AND HOW YOU CAN HELP (UPD. ED.)**

Holt K. 2011. *Dentists and Head Start: What You Should Know and How You Can Help* (upd. ed.). Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 4 pp.

This tip sheet provides information about how dentists can help address the oral health needs of pregnant women, infants, and children enrolled in Head Start. Topics include an overview of the Head Start program, information on children's access to services and oral health status, and promising approaches to providing care for Head Start participants. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**EARLY CHILDHOOD ORAL HEALTH: PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS—WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT FLUORIDE VARNISH AND HOW YOU CAN PROMOTE EARLY CHILDHOOD ORAL HEALTH**

New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. 2010. *Early Childhood Oral Health: Primary Care Providers—What You Need to Know About Fluoride Varnish and How You Can Promote Early Childhood Oral Health*. New York, NY: New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. 8 pp.

This brochure and fact sheet are designed to raise awareness among pediatric primary care health professionals, parents, and other caregivers about Medicaid reimbursement for the application of fluoride varnish to children's teeth in New York. The brochure contains figures, photographs, and tables showing the eruption patterns of primary teeth, signs of early childhood caries, a caries risk assessment tool, and how to apply varnish. Other resources such as varnish suppliers and training are also provided. The fact sheet encourages parents to ask their child's pediatrician about fluoride varnish and includes information and tips for before, during, and after varnish application.

**Contact:** New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, 2 Lafayette Street, 20th Floor, CN-65, New York, NY 10007. Telephone: (212) 676-2188; website: <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/html/home/home.shtml>. Available at <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/downloads/pdf/hca/hca-fluoride-varnish.pdf> (brochure for professionals) and <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/downloads/pdf/hca/hca-ask-fluoride-varnish.pdf> (fact sheet for parents and other caregivers).

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**EVIDENCE-BASED CLINICAL RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE PRESCRIPTION OF DIETARY FLUORIDE SUPPLEMENTS FOR CARIES PREVENTION: A REPORT OF THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION COUNCIL ON SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS**

Rozier RG, Adair S, Graham F, Iafolla T, Kingman A, Kohn W, Krol D, Levy S, Pollick H, Whitford G, Strock S, Frantsve-Hawley J, Aravamudhan K, Meyer DM. 2010. Evidence-based clinical recommendations on the prescription of dietary fluoride supplements for caries prevention: A report of the American Dental Association Council on Scientific Affairs. *Journal of the American Dental Association* 141(12):1480-1489.

This article provides guidance for health professionals on prescribing dietary fluoride supplements to prevent dental caries in children. The report addresses when and for whom fluoride supplements should be prescribed and what should be the recommended dosage schedule for dietary fluoride supplements. A tool to assist health professionals in clinical decision-making is also available.

**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](mailto:info@ada.org); website: <http://www.ada.org>. Available at <http://jada.ada.org/cgi/reprint/141/12/1480> (article).

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**EVIDENCE-BASED CLINICAL RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING FLUORIDE INTAKE FROM RECONSTITUTED INFANT FORMULA AND ENAMEL FLUOROSIS: A REPORT OF THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION COUNCIL ON SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS**

Berg J, Gerweck C, Hujoel PP, King R, Krol DM, Kumar J, Levy S, Pollick H, Whitford GM, Strock S, Aravamudhan K, Frantsve-Hawley J, Meyer DM for the American Dental Association Council on Scientific Affairs Expert Panel on Fluoride Intake from Infant Formula and Fluorosis. 2011. Evidence-based clinical recommendations regarding fluoride intake from reconstituted infant formula and enamel fluorosis: A report of the American Dental Association Council on Scientific Affairs. *Journal of the American Dental Association* 142(1):79-87.

This article summarizes a review that addressed whether infant formula mixed with fluoridated water puts infants from birth to age 12 months at an increased risk for enamel fluorosis. Topics include the American Academy of Pediatrics guidelines for infant nutrition (exclusive breastfeeding) and suggestions for practitioners to use in advising parents and caregivers of infants who consume powdered or liquid concentrate infant formula as their infant's main source of nutrition.

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**GIVE KIDS A SMILE (GKAS) PROGRAM PLANNING TOOLBOX**

American Dental Association. 2011. *Give Kids a Smile (GKAS) Program Planning Toolbox*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. Annual.

This toolbox assists dentists in preparing for Give Kids a Smile Day, a centerpiece of National Children's Dental Health Month. The day is observed on the first Friday in February. Toolbox contents provide guidance on how to plan an event, how to promote an event to the media, and what legal issues may arise. Additional resources include sample forms, fliers, resolutions, and letters of invitation.

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**THE HEAD START CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EARLY LEARNING FRAMEWORK: PROMOTING POSITIVE OUTCOMES IN EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS SERVING CHILDREN 3-5 YEARS OLD**

Office of Head Start. 2010. *The Head Start Child Development and Early Learning Framework: Promoting Positive Outcomes in Early Childhood Programs Serving Children 3-5 Years Old*. Washington, DC: Office of Head Start. 23 pp.

This document provides a framework for Head Start and other programs serving children ages 3-5, including children who are dual language learners and children with special health care needs, on key elements of school readiness. The framework is intended to guide programs in making curriculum and assessment decisions and connecting child-assessment data to aspects of Head Start program design, including school readiness goals consistent with state and local expectations. Additionally, the framework is intended to guide the collection of child-assessment data for other early childhood reporting systems, if such data are locally required. Contents include a description of 11 domains of child development and early learning deemed essential for school and long-term success, domain elements, and examples. The document is available in English and Spanish.



**Contact:** Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center, Office of Head Start. Telephone: (866) 763-6481; e-mail: [askus@headstartinfo.org](mailto:askus@headstartinfo.org); website: <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc>. Available at [http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/teaching/eecd/Assessment/Child%20Outcomes/HS\\_Revised\\_Child\\_Outcomes\\_Framework.pdf](http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/teaching/eecd/Assessment/Child%20Outcomes/HS_Revised_Child_Outcomes_Framework.pdf) (English) and [http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/teaching/eecd/Assessment/Child%20Outcomes/HS\\_Revised\\_Child\\_Outcomes\\_Framework\\_ESP.pdf](http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/teaching/eecd/Assessment/Child%20Outcomes/HS_Revised_Child_Outcomes_Framework_ESP.pdf) (Spanish).

**INTRODUCTION TO COLLABORATIVE DENTAL HYGIENE PRACTICE IN MINNESOTA**

Brickle C, Larkin C, Thoele MJ, Furry C. 2010. *Introduction to Collaborative Dental Hygiene Practice in Minnesota*. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Department of Health.

This course is designed to help dentists and dental hygienists become familiar with concepts related to limited authorization hygiene practices in Minnesota, and it provides supplemental resources for establishing such practices. The course defines “collaborative dental hygiene practice” and discusses nontraditional practice settings, collaborative agreements, registering agreements, and practitioner agreements. Frequently asked questions, a work force survey, and information about direct access in states other than Minnesota are also included.

**Contact:** Minnesota Department of Health, P.O. Box 64975, St. Paul, MN 55164. Telephone: (651) 201-5000; (888) 345-0823; (651) 201-5797; website: <http://www.health.state.mn.us>. Available at <http://www.mchoralhealth.org/mn/collaborative-practice/cdhp>.

**MAKING THE CONNECTION: PREGNANCY AND ORAL HEALTH**

Grantmakers in Health. 2011. *Making the Connection: Pregnancy and Oral Health*. Washington, DC: Grantmakers in Health. 2 pp.

This brief discusses the connections between women’s oral health, pregnancy, and infant and child health. The brief also addresses national and state initiatives to support oral health care during pregnancy and improve the oral health of young children from families with low incomes.

**Contact:** Grantmakers In Health, 1100 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 1200, Washington, DC 20036-4101. Telephone: (202) 452-8331; fax: (202) 452-8340; e-mail: <http://www.gih.org/feedback2666/feedback.htm>; website: <http://www.gih.org>. Available at [http://www.gih.org/usr\\_doc/Issue\\_Focus\\_Pregnancy\\_and\\_Oral\\_Health\\_2-21-11.pdf](http://www.gih.org/usr_doc/Issue_Focus_Pregnancy_and_Oral_Health_2-21-11.pdf).

**MEDICAL PROVIDERS AND HEAD START: WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT ORAL HEALTH AND HOW YOU CAN HELP**

Holt K, Lowe E. 2011. *Medical Providers and Head Start: What You Should Know About Oral Health and How You Can Help*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 4 pp.

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**MILESTONES IN PUBLIC HEALTH COURSE**

George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services, School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Graduate School of Education and Human Development, and Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning. 2011. *Milestones in Public Health Course*. Washington, DC: Association of Schools of Public Health.

This online course comprises 11 modules based on the 11 chapter topics in the book *Milestones in Public Health*. The course serves as a tool for teaching undergraduate students, graduate students in public health, and medical and clinical-education students about the major milestones in public health in the United States

over the last century. These milestones relate to vaccines and smallpox, automotive safety, environmental health, infectious disease control, cancer, cardiovascular disease, safer and healthier foods, advances in maternal and child health, oral health, addiction, and the U.S. public health infrastructure. The modules work together as part of an overall semester-long course and, in addition, each module can stand alone for inclusion in other courses or for use in both formal and informal teaching situations. Individuals may also use the course for self-guided learning about the public health milestones. The course is available in SCORM-compatible files that can be used with Blackboard/WebCT and open-source content-management systems such as Moodle. The complete course includes instructors' guides, PowerPoint lectures, faculty-directed case studies, and student-directed problem-based learning cases.

**Contact:** Association of Schools of Public Health, 1900 M Street, N.W., Suite 710, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 296-1099; fax: (202) 296-1252; e-mail: [info@asph.org](mailto:info@asph.org); website: <http://www.asph.org>. Available at <http://www.asph.org/document.cfm?page=1012>.

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#### A NEW WAY TO TALK ABOUT THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

Lowe JI. 2010. *A New Way to Talk About the Social Determinants of Health*. Princeton, NJ: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. 35 pp.

This guide provides a framework to help health professionals and policymakers effectively communicate about social determinants of health. The content addresses an iterative research and message-development process that includes three steps: determine how policymakers view the world of health, develop messages that can be tested, and strengthen the messages with testing. Additional topics include best practices in the language and framing of social determinants of health; the use of data and information; metaphors that drive how politicians see health disparities; and considering the roles of the mind, brain, and emotions when developing messages.

**Contact:** Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Route One and College Road, East, P.O. Box 2316, Princeton, NJ 08543. Telephone: (877) 843-7953; website: <http://www.rwjf.org>. Available at <http://www.rwjf.org/files/research/vpmesssageguide20101029.pdf>.

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

Lorenzo SB. 2011. *Oral Health for Infants, Children, Adolescents, and Pregnant Women: Knowledge Path*. Washington, DC: Georgetown University, Maternal and Child Health Library and National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

This knowledge path is a guide to recent resources that analyze data, describe effective programs, and report on policy and research aimed at improving access to oral health care and quality of oral health for infants, children, adolescents, and pregnant women. Contents include websites and resources from national and state organizations, distance-education resources, databases, and newsletters and discussion lists. Separate sections present resources for families, schools, and child care and Head Start programs as well as resources about dental caries, dental sealants, fluoride varnish, pregnancy, and special health care needs. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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#### ORAL HEALTH SCREENING ONLINE MODULE

Minnesota Department of Health, Minnesota Department of Human Services. 2010. *Oral Health Screening Online Module*. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Department of Health, Minnesota Department of Human Services.

This online module provides training for the oral health screening component of the Child and Teen Check-ups (C&TC) program in Minnesota. The module is designed for individuals involved in screening infants and children eligible for the C&TC program. Contents are divided into five sections, including a description of the C&TC program and its role in providing oral health screening, the importance of oral health screening, steps to oral health screening, common oral health problems in infants and children, dental-caries-prevention strategies, and oral health anticipatory guidance. Each section is followed by a quiz and takes approximately 5 to 10 minutes to complete.

Contact: Minnesota Department of Health, P. O. Box 64975, St. Paul, MN 55164. Telephone: (651) 201-5000; (888) 345-0823; (651) 201-5797; website: <http://www.health.state.mn.us>. Available at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh/mch/webcourse/dental/index.cfm>.

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**PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS' ROLE IN PROMOTING CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH**

Viner-Brown S, ed. 2011. *Primary Care Physicians' Role in Promoting Children's Oral Health*. Providence, RI: Rhode Island Department of Health. 3 pp.

This report documents the percentage of children in Rhode Island who receive preventive oral health care within a year, the association of dental insurance coverage with children's preventive care, and the importance of public reimbursement levels to primary care health professionals providing oral health services. The content is based on self-reported data from the Rhode Island Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. The report also discusses opportunities to improve young children's access to oral health services.

**Contact:** Rhode Island Medical Society, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908. Telephone: (401) 331-3207; fax: (401) 751-8050; website: <http://www.rimed.org>. Available at <http://www.rimed.org/medhealthri/2011-01/2011-01-20.pdf>.

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**REFERENCE MANUAL**

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. 2010. Reference manual. *Pediatric Dentistry* 32(6):1-336. 336 pp.

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 60611-2637. Telephone: (312) 337-2169; fax: (312) 337-6329; website: <http://www.aapd.org>. \$14 (members), \$40 (nonmembers). Also available at <http://www.aapd.org/media/policies.asp>.

**SCHOOL-BASED FLUORIDE VARNISH PROGRAM MANUAL**

Rady Children's Hospital—San Diego, Anderson Center for Dental Care. 2010. *School-Based Fluoride Varnish Program Manual*. San Diego, CA: Rady Children's Hospital—San Diego, Anderson Center for Dental Care. 39 pp.

This manual shares lessons learned and productive practices (including assessments, screening, and fluoride varnish) arising from developing, testing, and launching a school-based oral health preventive services program for California children. Topics include the use of fluoride varnish, a school-based fluoride varnish program outline, the role of community health advisors, clinic events, budget and finance issues, training, roles and responsibilities, sample certificates and forms, reference to existing laws, and lists of dental supply companies and California dental societies.

**Contact:** Anderson Center for Dental Care, Rady Children's Hospital—San Diego, 3020 Children's Way, MC 5101, San Diego, CA 92123. Telephone: (800) 788-9029; e-mail: [refsvc@rchsd.org](mailto:refsvc@rchsd.org); website: <http://www.rchsd.org/ourcare/programsservices/c-d/dentalcare/andersoncenterfordentalcare/index.htm>. Available at <http://www.oralhealthaccess.org/resources/documents/2010-10-06-Prgrm-Manual-School-Based-Fluoride-Varnish.pdf>.

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**SEALANTS: EVIDENCE-BASED RECOMMENDATIONS**

Reggiardo P. 2010. Sealants: Evidence-based recommendations. *Journal of the California Dental Association* 38(10):709-774.

This issue of the *Journal of the California Dental Association* presents four articles intended to increase oral health professionals' comfort level with making appropriate dental sealant placement decisions. Topics include the science related to sealants, the rationale for routine sealant placement, and optimal sealant clinical technique; the types of sealant materials available and the placement of the sealant; the oral health status of children in California, the extent to which they are benefiting from sealants, and some of the reasons sealants are underused; and caries-risk assessment for infants and young children and sealant recommendations in the primary dentition.



**Contact:** California Dental Association, 1201 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Telephone: (800) 232-7645; e-mail: [contactcda@cda.org](mailto:contactcda@cda.org); website: <http://www.cda.org>. Available at [http://www.cda.org/library/cda\\_member/pubs/journal/journal\\_1010.pdf](http://www.cda.org/library/cda_member/pubs/journal/journal_1010.pdf).

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**SMILES FOR OHIO: FLUORIDE VARNISH—TRAINING FOR PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE PROVIDERS SERVING CHILDREN ENROLLED IN MEDICAID**

Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Oral Health Services. 2011. *Smiles for Ohio: Fluoride Varnish—Training for Primary Medical Care Providers Serving Children Enrolled in Medicaid*. Columbus, OH: Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Oral Health Services.

This series of four modules is designed to increase knowledge among Medicaid/Healthcheck primary care health professionals about reducing the incidence of dental caries in infants and children under age 3, and to contribute to the establishment of dental homes. Topics include the role of primary care health professionals; the dental caries process; caries risk assessment; and anticipatory guidance, fluoride varnish, and referral. Physicians and nurses in Ohio may receive continuing education units upon successful completion of the curriculum.

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**SPANISH TERMINOLOGY FOR THE DENTAL TEAM = TERMINOLOGÍA EN ESPAÑOL PARA EL EQUIPO DENTAL**

Nunez DW, ed. 2011. *Spanish Terminology for the Dental Team = Terminología en Español para el Equipo Dental*. St. Louis, MO: Mosby. 368 pp.

This book, which is organized into three parts, describes a sequence of Spanish-language interactions between oral health professionals and patients, beginning with the initial greeting and concluding with language appropriate for specialty appointments. Part 1 focuses on oral, head and neck, and general anatomy. Part 2 covers terminology related to emergency dental visits, examination and assessment, hygiene and preventive

dentistry, operative and cosmetic dentistry, implants and other oral surgery, periodontics and endodontics, pediatric dentistry, orthodontics, and more. Part 3 reviews medical terminology for patient history, medications and pharmacy, and diet and nutrition. Part 4 provides phrases for general communication and administration.

**Contact:** Elsevier, Health Sciences Division, 1600 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 1800, Philadelphia, PA 19103-2899. Telephone: (215) 239-3900; fax: (215) 239-3990; website: <http://www.us.elsevierhealth.com>. \$34.95, plus shipping and handling. Document code: ISBN 978-0-323-06991-5.

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**SPECIAL ISSUE: BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL INTERVENTION RESEARCH ESSENTIALS**

Martino S, ed. 2011. Special Issue: Behavioral and social intervention research essentials. *Journal of Public Health Dentistry* 71(Suppl. 1):S1–S12.

This journal supplement provides information on behavioral and social intervention research to advance best practices in the oral health field. Topics include the PRECEDE-PROCEED planning model, the design and testing of behavior-change interventions, identifying mediating variables in public health dentistry interventions, treatment fidelity in public health clinical trials, acceptability of behavioral and social interventions to the target population, sustainable oral-health-promotion interventions, and economic analyses of behavioral interventions to promote oral health.

**Contact:** John Wiley and Sons, Inc., Corporate Headquarters, 111 River Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030. Telephone: (201) 748-6000; fax: (201) 748-6088; e-mail: [info@wiley.com](mailto:info@wiley.com); website: <http://www.wiley.com/WileyCDA>. Contact for cost information.

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**STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE COLLABORATION BETWEEN STATE ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND HEALTH CENTER ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, National Network for Oral Health Access. 2011. *Strategies to Improve Collaboration Between State Oral Health Programs and Health Center Oral Health Programs*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 6 pp.

This issue brief is intended to help state and territorial oral health programs (SOHPs), health centers, policy-makers, and others recognize and support opportunities for collaboration between SOHPs and health centers. Topics include definitions of SOHPs and health centers, roles that SOHPs play in promoting oral health, benefits of SOHP and health center collaboration, and examples of collaboration. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

**Contact:** Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, 1838 Fieldcrest Drive, Sparks, NV 89434. Telephone: (775) 626-5008; fax: (775) 626-9268; e-mail: [info@astdd.org](mailto:info@astdd.org); website: <http://www.astdd.org>. Available at [http://www.astdd.org/docs/NNOHA\\_ASTDD\\_Issue\\_Brief\\_02\\_11\\_rev.pdf](http://www.astdd.org/docs/NNOHA_ASTDD_Issue_Brief_02_11_rev.pdf).

people eligible for or enrolled in Medicare, Medicaid, or the Children's Health Insurance Program—and by the people who serve or assist them, such as family members and friends, outreach workers, agency staff, community organizations, and health professionals. Topics include using a reader-centered approach to develop and test written material, guidelines for writing and design, methods for testing material with readers, using readability formulas, writing materials for older adults, and guidelines for translation.

**Contact:** Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244. Telephone: (877) 267-2323; (410) 786-3000; (866) 226-1819; (410) 786-0272; website: <http://cms.hhs.gov>. Available at <http://www.cms.gov/WrittenMaterialsToolkit>.

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**SUPPORTING FAMILIES TO IMPROVE ORAL HEALTH IN HAWAII'S KEIKI**

Hawaii Dental Home Initiative State Team. 2010. *Supporting Families to Improve Oral Health in Hawaii's Keiki*. Honolulu, HI: Webfish Pacific. 6 min., 30 sec.

This video is designed to engage health professionals in partnering with families to improve oral health in infants enrolled in Early Head Start. Topics include the importance of healthy primary teeth, gum cleaning and toothbrushing, the role of home visiting in improving infant oral health, dental visit tips, and the importance of role models for children in promoting oral health over the life course.

**Contact:** Webfish Pacific, P.O. Box 61156, Honolulu, HI 96839. Telephone: (808) 382-5286; e-mail: [webfish@webfishpacific.com](mailto:webfish@webfishpacific.com); website: <http://www.webfishpacific.com>. Available at [http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=XIJzLREa-Ys](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=XIJzLREa-Ys).

**PROFESSIONAL-CLIENT TOOLS**

**CANCER TREATMENT AND YOU**

National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 2010. *Cancer Treatment and You*. Bethesda, MD: National Oral Health Information Clearinghouse.

This resource describes a publication series titled Oral Health, Cancer Care, and You. The series is designed to inform health professionals and health care consumers about steps they can take before, during, and after cancer treatment to reduce the risk and impact of oral complications of cancer therapy. The resource links to booklets and pocket guides for professionals and educational brochures for consumers. Consumer materials are available in English and Spanish.

**Contact:** National Oral Health Information Clearinghouse, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, One NOHIC Way, Bethesda, MD 20892-3500. Telephone: (301) 402-7364; (866) 232-4528; fax: (301) 480-4098; e-mail: [nidcrinfo@mail.nih.gov](mailto:nidcrinfo@mail.nih.gov); website: <https://www.nidcr.nih.gov/OrderPublications/default.aspx>. Available at <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/OralHealth/Topics/CancerTreatment>.

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**TOOLKIT FOR MAKING WRITTEN MATERIAL CLEAR AND EFFECTIVE**

McGee J. 2010. *Toolkit for Making Written Material Clear and Effective*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

This health literacy resource provides a detailed and comprehensive set of tools to help make written materials in printed formats easier for people to read, understand, and use. The toolkit contains 11 parts. The focus is on creating written material intended for use by

**CHOOSY KIDS: BE CHOOSY BE HEALTHY**

Choosy Kids. 2010. *Choosy Kids: Be Choosy Be Healthy*. Morgantown, WV: Choosy Kids.

This website offers training and educational materials for health professionals, teachers, and parents to help young children develop healthy behaviors. Topics include obesity, oral health, nutrition, and physical activity. The site also provides news; information about events; links to resources by topic and by audience, such as Head Start and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) programs; and tools for submitting and sharing resources with others.

**Contact:** Choosy Kids, 3160 Collins Ferry Road, Morgantown, WV 26505. Telephone: (304) 777-4541; fax: (304) 777-4543; e-mail: [info@choosykids.com](mailto:info@choosykids.com); website: <http://www.choosykids.com/CK2>. Available at <http://www.choosykids.com/CK2>.

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**CODE RED: THE ORAL HEALTH CRISIS IN YOUR CLASSROOM**

Maryland Children’s Oral Health Institute. 2011. *Code Red: The Oral Health Crisis in Your Classroom*. Baltimore, MD: Maryland Children’s Oral Health Institute. 46 pp.

This resource addresses the need to establish oral health education in the primary school curriculum and to prepare teachers to provide oral health education. Contents include a collection of lessons for students in kindergarten through grade 12. Many of the lessons incorporate teaching mathematics, reading, science, history, health, and nutrition in conjunction with oral hygiene and disease prevention. Activity sheets, read-aloud books, scientific experiments, and contact information for local and national oral health organizations are included. Information on how to receive free posters, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and other items is also provided.

**Contact:** Maryland Children’s Oral Health Institute, P.O. Box 1901, Baltimore, MD 21203. Telephone: (443) 286-6386; fax: (410) 356-8574; e-mail: [info@mycohi.org](mailto:info@mycohi.org); website: <http://www.mycohi.org>. Available at [http://www.mycohi.org/pdfs/Code\\_Red\\_Spiral\\_FINAL.pdf](http://www.mycohi.org/pdfs/Code_Red_Spiral_FINAL.pdf).

**DENTAL SEALANTS**

Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health. 2011. *Dental Sealants*. Boston, MA: Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health.

This resource provides information on dental sealant use, sealant programs, and related resources in Massachusetts. Contents include clinical recommendations; a description of the Massachusetts’ Department of Public Health’s school sealant program (MDPH-SEAL); fact sheets on sealants for health professionals, parents, and other caregivers in multiple languages; and radio public service announcements in English and Spanish. A sample collaborative agreement, consent forms, written information sheets, a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) form, and supply lists are also available.

**Contact:** Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health, 250 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108. Telephone: (617) 624-6074; fax: (617) 624-6062; e-mail: [lynn.bethel@state.ma.us](mailto:lynn.bethel@state.ma.us); website: <http://www.mass.gov/dph/oralhealth>. Available at [http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eohhs2terminal&L=5&L0=Home&L1=Consumer&L2=Prevention+and+Wellness&L3=Disease+Prevention&L4=Oral+Health&sid=Eeohhs2&b=terminalcontent&f=dph\\_com\\_health\\_c\\_pca\\_oral\\_health\\_sealants&csid=Eeohhs2](http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eohhs2terminal&L=5&L0=Home&L1=Consumer&L2=Prevention+and+Wellness&L3=Disease+Prevention&L4=Oral+Health&sid=Eeohhs2&b=terminalcontent&f=dph_com_health_c_pca_oral_health_sealants&csid=Eeohhs2).

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**NATIVE AMERICAN PROFESSIONAL PARENT RESOURCES**

Native American Professional Parent Resources, Dental Support Center. 2011. *Native American Professional Parent Resources*. Albuquerque, NM: Native American Professional Parent Resources, Dental Support Center. Multiple items.

These education materials for professionals and families address oral health in American Indian/Alaska Native populations across the lifespan. Contents include a poster about the first dental visit; a prescription pad listing dental clinic phone numbers for primary care health professionals to share with parents, grandparents, and other caregivers; and a poster for Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC), Head Start, or school staff on oral emergencies. Additional materials provide oral health tips for a healthy pregnancy and describe why oral health is important during pregnancy. A mini brochure shows how to check children’s teeth for tooth decay, and a

short story highlights what families can do to take care of children's teeth.

**Contact:** Native American Professional Parent Resources, Dental Support Center, 6916 Fourth Avenue, N.W., Suite 1, Albuquerque, NM 87107. Telephone: (505) 345-6289; fax: (505) 345-6478; website: [http://www.nappr.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=9&Itemid=13](http://www.nappr.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=9&Itemid=13). Available at no charge to dental clinics and health programs in the Albuquerque area of the Indian Health Service.

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**ORAL HEALTH FACT SHEETS FOR PATIENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

University of Washington School of Dentistry and Washington State Department of Health Oral Health Program. 2010. *Oral Health Fact Sheets for Patients with Special Needs*. Seattle, WA: University of Washington School of Dentistry and Washington State Department of Health Oral Health Program. Multiple items.

This series of fact sheets provides guidance to health professionals and parents and other caregivers on oral health in children with special health care needs. The series presents information for health professionals on 14 conditions, including the prevalence of each condition; clinical and oral manifestations and other considerations; medication and behavioral management and guidance; and prevention and treatment. The series also provides guidance for parents and other caregivers on scheduling and preparing for an oral health appointment and maintaining healthy teeth and gums. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

**Contact:** Kimberly Huggins. University of Washington School of Dentistry, Dental Education in the Care of Persons with Disabilities Program, Department of Oral Medicine, 1959 N.E. Pacific Street, Campus Box 356370, Seattle, WA 98195-6370. Telephone: (206) 616-6105; fax: (206) 685-8412; e-mail: [khh@uw.edu](mailto:khh@uw.edu). Available at [http://dental.washington.edu/departments/omed/decod/special\\_needs\\_facts.php](http://dental.washington.edu/departments/omed/decod/special_needs_facts.php).

**ORAL HEALTH PROMOTION CARDS**

Washington State Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 2010. *Oral Health Promotion Cards*. Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 7 items.

This series of seven cards is designed to help health professionals promote oral health in pregnant women, infants, and young children. Topics include (1) what is known about dental caries in infants and young children and (2) finding oral health care and educational materials. Additional topics include oral hygiene and oral health care, risk assessment in children, breastfeeding and oral health, and reducing the adverse impact of nausea during pregnancy on women's oral health.

**Contact:** Washington State Department of Health, Division of Family and Community Health, Oral Health Program, P.O. Box 47835, Olympia, WA 98504-7835. Telephone: (360) 236-3518; fax: (360) 236-2323; e-mail: [oral.health@doh.wa.gov](mailto:oral.health@doh.wa.gov); website: <http://doh.wa.gov/cfh/oralhealth/default.htm>. Available at [http://doh.wa.gov/cfh/oralhealth/education/promo\\_cards.htm](http://doh.wa.gov/cfh/oralhealth/education/promo_cards.htm).

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**ORAL HEALTH SCREENING GUIDE**

Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Oral Health Program. 2010. *Oral Health Screening Guide*. Madison, WI: Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Oral Health Program. 2 pp.

This fact sheet presents photos illustrating varying degrees of tooth decay and other oral conditions in young children, along with a tooth-eruption chart to aid health professionals in oral screening. The fact sheet also provides facts on fluoride varnish as well as tips on oral hygiene, dental visits, and other oral health topics.

**Contact:** Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Oral Health Program, P.O. Box 2659, Madison, WI 53701-2659. Telephone: (608) 266-5152; fax: (608) 266-8925; e-mail: [Warren.LeMay@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Warren.LeMay@wisconsin.gov); website: [http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/Oral\\_Health](http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/Oral_Health). Available at <http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/PO/P00224.pdf>.



**SOUTH CAROLINA DENTAL DIRECTORY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS**

Hands on Health South Carolina. 2011. *South Carolina Dental Directory for Individuals with Special Health Care Needs*. Charleston, SC: Hands on Health South Carolina. Annual.

This directory comprises a network of dentists licensed in South Carolina to whom professionals and consumers may refer individuals with special health care needs for oral health care. The directory may be searched using a single special health care need, a dentist's last name, an office location, or a combination of search criteria. Dentists practicing in North Carolina can complete the registration form to be included in the directory.

**Contact:** Hands on Health South Carolina, 171 Ashley Avenue, Suite 300, MSC 403, Charleston, SC 29425-4030. Telephone: website: <http://www.handsonhealth-sc.org>. Available at <http://www.handsonhealth-sc.org/A/resources/dentist.php>.

**A PEDIATRIC GUIDE TO CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH: FLIP CHART AND REFERENCE GUIDE**

Oskouiian R, Romano-Clarke G. 2010. *A Pediatric Guide to Children's Oral Health: Flip Chart and Reference Guide*. Elk Grove Village, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics, Oral Health Initiative. 2 items.

This flipchart is designed to help pediatricians and other pediatric health professionals conduct oral health assessments and educate clients. Topics include primary tooth eruption and shedding; caries risk assessment and recognizing early childhood caries; anticipatory guidance on toothbrushing, feeding, and nonnutritive sucking; and fluoride modalities and treatments. The companion reference guide provides additional information about topics such as tooth structure, anticipatory guidance, management of oral infection and pain, oral trauma, tooth injury, fracture, oral soft tissue trauma, injury prevention, congenital oral anomalies, and oral health for children with special health care needs. The flipchart is available in English and Spanish. [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](mailto:OHRInfo@georgetown.edu); website: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Available for loan.

**TOOTH TUTOR: A SIMPLIFIED ORAL HEALTH CURRICULUM FOR PRE-K TO GRADE 12 (2ND ED.)**

Pyatt J, Spink D, Alves-Dunkerson J, Rakoz L, Thronson G, Williamson G. 2011. *Tooth Tutor: A Simplified Oral Health Curriculum for Pre-K to Grade 12* (2nd ed.). Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Health, Oral Health Program and Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. 171 pp.

This curriculum is designed to help teachers, school nurses, and student instructors promote oral health and enhance learning among students in pre-kindergarten through grade 12 in Washington. The curriculum comprises 10 units that describe oral health practices that can help maintain a healthy mouth, class activities tailored to different grades, handouts or master copies for each class activity, letters to parents and other caregivers to make them aware of what the student learned in class and how to support their child's good oral health behaviors, and background information for educators to support a successful teaching experience. Topics include the importance of a healthy mouth; tooth shapes and functions; the tooth decay process; fluoride, dental sealants, and nutrition; toothbrushing and flossing; tobacco, alcohol, and illicit drugs; injury prevention; adolescent oral health; and visiting the dental office.

**Contact:** Washington State Department of Health, Division of Family and Community Health, Oral Health Program, P.O. Box 47835, Olympia, WA 98504-7835. Telephone: (360) 236-3518; fax: (360) 236-2323; e-mail: [oral.health@doh.wa.gov](mailto:oral.health@doh.wa.gov); website: <http://doh.wa.gov/cfh/oralhealth/default.htm>. Available at <http://here.doh.wa.gov/materials/tooth-tutor> (curriculum) and <http://doh.wa.gov/cfh/oralhealth/docs/toothtutor/TTFactSheet.pdf> (fact sheet).

**VIRGINIA DENTAL DIRECTORY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS AND YOUNG CHILDREN**

Virginia Department of Health, Division of Dental Health. 2011. *Virginia Dental Directory for Individuals with Special Health Care Needs and Young Children*. Richmond, VA: Virginia Department of Health, Division of Dental Health.

This directory comprises a network of dentists licensed in Virginia to whom professionals and consumers may refer individuals with special health care needs for oral health care. The directory may be searched using a single special health care need, a dentist's last name, an office location, or a combination of search criteria.

Dentists practicing in Virginia can complete the registration form to be included in the directory. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

**Contact:** Virginia Department of Health, Division of Dental Health, 109 Governor Street, Ninth Floor, Richmond, VA 23219. Telephone: (804) 864-7784; fax: (804) 864-7783; website: <http://www.vahealth.org/dental>. Available at <http://www.vahealth.org/dental/dentaldirectory>.

## PROGRAM REPORTS

### 2008–2009 ANNUAL REPORT: NORTH CAROLINA ORAL HEALTH SECTION

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Oral Health Section. 2010. *2008–2009 Annual Report: North Carolina Oral Health Section*. Raleigh, NC: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Oral Health Section. 5 pp.

This report describes the activities of the North Carolina Oral Health Section in planning and providing a statewide science-based oral health program. Program services include oral health education and screening for children, as well as for the adults who influence their health, to reduce tooth decay and promote oral health. Five program areas are described: disease prevention, access to care, monitoring systems, health education and promotion, and residency training in dental public health. A map of North Carolina shows program providers and services by county.

**Contact:** North Carolina Division of Public Health, Oral Health Section, 1910 Mail Service Center, 5505 Six Forks Road, Raleigh, NC 27699-1910. Telephone: (919) 707-5480; fax: (919) 870-4805; website: <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dph/oralhealth>. Available at <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dph/oralhealth/library/includes/08-09%20OHS%20Annual%20Report.pdf>.

### CHIPRA IN 2010: CONTINUING THE PROGRESS

Insure Kids Now. 2010. *CHIPRA in 2010: Continuing the Progress*. Insure Kids Now. 21 pp.

This report highlights federal and state activities since the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act was enacted and notes some of the plans for continued and enhanced activities. Topics include eligibility and enrollment improvements and efforts to ensure access to quality care for children. Grantee spotlights and charts showing children's enrollment in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program by state, upper income limits, and performance bonus awards are included.

**Contact:** Insure Kids Now. Telephone: (877) 543-7669; website: <http://www.insurekidsnow.gov>. Available at [http://www.insurekidsnow.gov/professionals/reports/chipra/2010\\_annual.pdf](http://www.insurekidsnow.gov/professionals/reports/chipra/2010_annual.pdf).

### COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA MEDICAID DENTAL PROGRAM REVIEW

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2010. *Commonwealth of Virginia Medicaid Dental Program Review*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 7 pp.

This report summarizes a review of Virginia's Medicaid dental program conducted on January 25 to February 1, 2010, to identify practices and program innovations leading to a higher level of oral-health-service use among children in Virginia compared to the national average. The report describes efforts to increase provider reimbursement rates; establish a single contractor to administer *Smiles for Children*; enhance support from the state governor, legislature, dental association, and medical director and other stakeholder initiatives; and increase the number of participating dentists.

**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](mailto:OHRCinfo@georgetown.edu); website: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Available at [http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/CMSreview\\_VA.pdf](http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/CMSreview_VA.pdf).

**EVALUATION OF THE DENTAL HEALTH AIDE THERAPIST WORKFORCE MODEL IN ALASKA**

Wetterhall S, Bader JD, Burrus BB, Lee JY, Shugars DA. 2010. *Evaluation of the Dental Health Aide Therapist Workforce Model in Alaska*. Research Triangle Park, NC: RTI International. 97 pp.

This report presents results of an evaluation of the Dental Health Aide Therapist initiative, part of Alaska's Community Health Aide Program. The evaluation focused on the following five areas: client satisfaction, oral-health-related quality of life, and perceived access to care; oral health status; clinical technical performance and performance measures; record-based process measures and evaluation of clinical facilities; and implementation of community-based preventive plans and programs.

**Contact:** RTI International, P.O. Box 12194, Research Triangle, NC 27709. Telephone: (919) 485-2666; e-mail: [listen@rti.org](mailto:listen@rti.org); website: <http://www.rti.org>. Available at <http://www.wkkf.org/~media/F2E86B5717174D2E9311359902DF7216.ashx>.

**FINDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MATERNAL AND CHILD ORAL HEALTH POLICY CENTER FOCUS GROUP**

National Maternal and Child Oral Health Policy Center. 2011. *Findings of the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Policy Center Focus Group*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Policy Center. 6 pp.

This report presents findings on the challenges states face in maintaining and expanding state oral health programs. The content is based on findings from a focus group comprising state leaders from the Children's Health Insurance Program, Medicaid, public health, and healthy policy. The focus group was convened in conjunction with the National Academy for State Health Policy Annual Conference, held on October 6, 2010, in New Orleans, Louisiana. Topics include perceived challenges in the states, options to address state challenges, information needs, and barriers to innovation. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

**Contact:** National Maternal and Child Oral Health Policy Center, Children's Dental Health Project, 1020 19th Street, N.W., Suite 400, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 833-8288; e-mail: [cdhpinfo@cdhp.org](mailto:cdhpinfo@cdhp.org); website: <http://nmcohpc.net>. Available at <http://nmcohpc.net/resources/NASHP%20Focus%20Group%20Summary%20Final.pdf>.

**HEAD START IMPACT STUDY FINAL REPORT: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Puma M, Bell S, Cook R, Heid C. 2010. *Head Start Impact Study Final Report: Executive Summary*. Washington, DC: Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation. 27 pp.

This report summarizes findings from a national study on the impact of Head Start on children and families. Contents include an overview of the study methods and sample and key findings on children's experiences. Topics include types of child care settings; time spent in nonparental settings, experiences in kindergarten and first grade; and impact on children's cognitive and social-emotional development, health status and access to health services, and parenting practices. Differences in impact among different types of children and parents are also discussed.

**Contact:** Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Seventh Floor West, Washington, DC 20447. Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/opre/index.html>. Available at [http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/opre/hs/impact\\_study/reports/impact\\_study/executive\\_summary\\_final.pdf](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/opre/hs/impact_study/reports/impact_study/executive_summary_final.pdf).

**INNOVATIVE STATE PRACTICES FOR IMPROVING THE PROVISION OF MEDICAID DENTAL SERVICES: SUMMARY OF EIGHT STATE REPORTS—ALABAMA, ARIZONA, MARYLAND, NEBRASKA, NORTH CAROLINA, RHODE ISLAND, TEXAS, AND VIRGINIA**

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2011. *Innovative State Practices for Improving the Provision of Medicaid Dental Services: Summary of Eight State Reports—Alabama, Arizona, Maryland, Nebraska, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Texas, and Virginia*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 10 pp.

This report summarizes a review of Alabama's Medicaid dental program conducted on January 4–8, 2010, to discover practices and program innovations leading to a higher level of oral-health-service use among children in Alabama compared to the national average. The report describes the Smile Alabama initiative, the 1st Look program, Student/Resident Rotations in Community Health, the partnership with the University of Alabama School of Dentistry, and the loan-repayment program.



**Contact:** Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244. Telephone: (877) 267-2323; (410) 786-3000; (866) 226-1819; (410) 786-0272; website: <http://cms.hhs.gov>. Available at <http://www.cms.gov/MedicaidDentalCoverage/Downloads/8staterep2.pdf>.

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**INSIDE I-SMILE: ANNUAL REPORT ON IOWA'S DENTAL HOME INITIATIVE FOR CHILDREN**

Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 2010. *Inside I-Smile: Annual Report on Iowa's Dental Home Initiative for Children*. Des Moines, IA: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. Annual.

This annual report provides information on the progress of the I-Smile Dental Home Initiative and its impact on access to oral health care for children at high risk for dental caries. Contents include a description of the program, along with data (state fiscal year 2005 to present) and discussion. The information is presented according to the following three focus areas: children and adolescents from birth to age 12 who are enrolled in Medicaid, children from birth to age 5 who are enrolled in Medicaid, and work force.

**Contact:** Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319. Telephone: (515) 281-3733; (866) 528-4020; fax: (515) 242-6384; website: [http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/oral\\_health.asp](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/oral_health.asp). Available at [http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/common/pdf/oral\\_health/inside\\_ismile\\_2010.pdf](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/common/pdf/oral_health/inside_ismile_2010.pdf).

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**KANSAS ORAL HEALTH PLAN 2011–2014**

Weno KA. 2011. *Kansas Oral Health Plan 2011–2014*. Topeka, KS: Kansas Department of Health and the Environment, Bureau of Oral Health and Oral Health Kansas. 16 pp.

This report outlines objectives, strategies, and activities of a statewide plan to improve oral health in Kansas. Topics include education, advocacy, and work force. The report also addresses relevant Healthy People 2020 oral health objectives.

**Contact:** Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Bureau of Oral Health, Curtis State Office Building, 1000 Southwest Jackson Street, Suite 300, Topeka,

KS 66612-1365. Telephone: (785) 296-5166; fax: (785) 291-3959; e-mail: [kboh@kdheks.gov](mailto:kboh@kdheks.gov); website: <http://www.kdheks.gov/ohi>. Available at [http://www.kdheks.gov/ohi/download/2011-14\\_Oral\\_Health\\_Plan.pdf](http://www.kdheks.gov/ohi/download/2011-14_Oral_Health_Plan.pdf).

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**LOCAL ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND BEST PRACTICES—VOICES FROM THE FIELD: THE END-USERS' PERSPECTIVE**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, Ad Hoc Group on Local Oral Health Programs. 2011. *Local Oral Health Programs and Best Practices—Voices from the Field: The End-Users' Perspective*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 24 pp.

This report identifies financing, work force, and other challenges faced by local oral health programs (including city, county, and other community-based entities) and offers recommendations. Topics include building infrastructure, enhancing program operations, and improving information on best practices for use by local program staff. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

**Contact:** Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, 1838 Fieldcrest Drive, Sparks, NV 89434. Telephone: (775) 626-5008; fax: (775) 626-9268; e-mail: [info@astdd.org](mailto:info@astdd.org); website: <http://www.astdd.org>. Available at [http://www.astdd.org/www/docs/Local\\_Program\\_FINAL\\_REPORT\\_2-1-2011.pdf](http://www.astdd.org/www/docs/Local_Program_FINAL_REPORT_2-1-2011.pdf).

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**MARYLAND ORAL HEALTH PLAN 2011–2015**

Maryland Dental Action Coalition. 2011. *Maryland Oral Health Plan 2011–2015*. Columbia, MD: Maryland Dental Action Coalition. 3 items.

This document outlines a multi-faceted 5-year state plan to promote the oral health of all Marylanders. The plan focuses on three key areas—access to oral health care, oral disease and injury prevention, and oral health literacy and education—identifying vision statements, goals, objectives, and activities for each. The document also includes an executive summary; information about contributors, including the Maryland Dental Action Coalition; information about oral health in Maryland; and a logic model. The content is available in print, online, and on CD-ROM. A poster is also available.

**Contact:** Maryland Dental Action Coalition, 6410 Dobbin Road, Suite G, Columbia, MD 21045. Telephone: (410) 884-8294; fax: (410) 884-8295; e-mail: [info@mdac.us](mailto:info@mdac.us); website: <http://www.mdac.us>. Available at <http://www.mdac.us/wp-content/uploads/2011/02/MOHP-Dental-Action-r4.pdf>.

**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](mailto:OHRCinfo@georgetown.edu); website: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Available at [http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/CMSreview\\_AZ.pdf](http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/CMSreview_AZ.pdf).

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**RHODE ISLAND ORAL HEALTH PLAN**

Rhode Island Department of Health. 2011. *Rhode Island Oral Health Plan*. Providence, RI: Rhode Island Department of Health. 37 pp.

This plan describes Rhode Island's response to the Surgeon General's call to action to improve oral health. Contents include information on the burden of oral disease in Rhode Island; disparities in oral disease; what has been done; and goals and related recommendations, objectives, and strategies. Topics include improving access to oral health care, implementing evidence-based oral health care, preventing oral disease and promoting oral health, maintaining the oral health safety net, sustaining the oral health work force, and informing oral health policy decisions. A logic model is included.

**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; website: <http://www.health.ri.gov/disease/primarycare/oralhealth/index.php>. Available at no charge from the website. Document code: OH 01-011311. <http://www.health.ri.gov/publications/plans/2011OralHealth.pdf>.

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**STATE OF ARIZONA MEDICAID DENTAL REVIEW**

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2010. *State of Arizona Medicaid Dental Review*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 7 pp.

This report summarizes a review of Arizona's Medicaid dental program conducted on January 11-15, 2010, to identify practices and program innovations leading to a higher level of oral-health-service use among children in Arizona compared to the national average. The report describes state-level accountability, managed care organization performance transparency, the establishment of a state Medicaid dental director position, and the Special Needs Dental Clinic.

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**STATE OF MARYLAND MEDICAID DENTAL PROGRAM REVIEW**

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2010. *State of Maryland Medicaid Dental Program Review*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 11 pp.

This report summarizes a review of Maryland's Medicaid dental program conducted on March 17-26, 2010, to identify practices and program innovations leading to a higher level of oral-health-service use among children in Maryland compared to the national average. The report describes an increase in reimbursement rates; the establishment of a single contractor to administer oral health services for children; payment to Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment Program (EPSDT)-trained providers for applying fluoride varnish to the teeth of infants and young children ages 9 to 36 months; involvement, leadership, and support of key stakeholders; the loan-assistance program to increase the number of dentists participating in Medicaid; and other public health initiatives.

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**STATE OF NEBRASKA MEDICAID DENTAL REVIEW**

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2010. *State of Nebraska Medicaid Dental Review*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 6 pp.

This report summarizes a review of Nebraska's Medicaid dental program conducted during the week of January 18, 2010, to identify practices and program innovations leading to a higher level of oral-health-service use

among children in Nebraska compared to the national average. The report describes initiatives to serve children from families with low incomes and increase the number of providers in underserved areas, efforts to enlist the help of dentists on local health department boards and public health nurses for missed appointment follow-up, and consultation between the state department of health and the state dental association to implement rate increases targeting specific recommended procedure codes.

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID DENTAL REVIEW**

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2010. *State of North Carolina Medicaid Dental Review*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 8 pp.

This report summarizes a review of North Carolina's Medicaid dental program conducted on February 22–26, 2010, to identify practices and program innovations leading to a higher level of oral-health-service use among children in North Carolina compared to the national average. The report describes the Task Force on Dental Care for Children, the Into the Mouths of Babes program, the North Carolina Dental Home Initiative, the Zero Out All Early Childhood Tooth Decay project, safety net dental clinics, and the loan-repayment program.

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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND MEDICAID DENTAL REVIEW**

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2010. *State of Rhode Island Medicaid Dental Review*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 8 pp.

This report summarizes a review of Rhode Island's Medicaid dental program conducted November 30 to December 4, 2009, to identify practices and program innovations leading to a higher level of oral-health-service use among children in Rhode Island compared to the national average. The report describes the Medical Dental Advisory Committee, the RIte Smiles dental program, and affiliation with Head Start programs.

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**STATE OF TEXAS MEDICAID DENTAL REVIEW**

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2010. *State of Texas Medicaid Dental Review*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 10 pp.

This report summarizes a review of the Texas Medicaid dental program conducted November 30 to December 4, 2009, to identify practices and program innovations leading to a higher level of oral-health-service use among children in Texas compared to the national average. The report describes efforts to increase reimbursement rates, a legislatively supported initiative to provide preventive oral health care in the early months of life, a strategy to encourage pediatric primary care health professionals to provide oral health care in the medical home, a loan-repayment program for dentists and physicians who treat Medicaid beneficiaries, and meetings to promote stakeholder ownership in the state's oral health program.

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**SUMMARY REPORT: SYNOPSES OF STATE DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2011. *Summary Report: Synopses of State Dental Public Health Programs*. Jefferson City, MO: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 15 pp.

This report summarizes the results of a study examining the status of state oral health programs. Topics include information on each state or territory's demographic, infrastructure, work force, and administration factors that impact the state's oral health program. Data are presented in tables throughout the report and include the percentage of states that provide specific oral health services.

**Contact:** Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, 1838 Fieldcrest Drive, Sparks, NV 89434. Telephone: (775) 626-5008; fax: (775) 626-9268; e-mail: [info@astdd.org](mailto:info@astdd.org); website: <http://www.astdd.org>. Available at [http://www.astdd.org/docs/State\\_Synopsis\\_Report\\_SUMMARY\\_2011.pdf](http://www.astdd.org/docs/State_Synopsis_Report_SUMMARY_2011.pdf).

**WASHINGTON'S ABCD PROGRAM: IMPROVING DENTAL CARE FOR MEDICAID-INSURED CHILDREN**

Pew Center on the States. 2010. *Washington's ABCD Program: Improving Dental Care for Medicaid-Insured Children*. Washington, DC: Pew Center on the States. 8 pp.

This report discusses the Washington state Access to Baby and Child Dentistry (ABCD) program, which addresses the causes of oral disease among Medicaid-eligible children under age 6. Topics include how the ABCD program works, clearing Medicaid barriers for dentists, preparing dentists to care for young children, connecting families with oral health professionals, and balancing consistent quality and local flexibility.

**Contact:** Pew Center on the States, 901 E Street, N.W., 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20004. Telephone: (202) 552-2000; fax: (202) 552-2299; website: <http://www.pewcenteronthestates.org>. Available at [http://www.pewcenteronthestates.org/uploadedFiles/ABCD\\_brief\\_web.pdf](http://www.pewcenteronthestates.org/uploadedFiles/ABCD_brief_web.pdf).

**WISCONSIN SPECIAL SMILES PROGRAM**

Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin. 2011. *Wisconsin Special Smiles Program*. Milwaukee, WI: Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin.

This resource describes Wisconsin's program to build a statewide system to promote oral health as part of overall health and to organize community resources to increase access to oral health care for children and adolescents with special health care needs. The resource outlines the following program services: training for dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants; oral health education and training for children, parents, caregivers, and teachers; oral health education for health professionals, including physicians and nurses; fluoride varnish and dental sealant programs; and targeted inter-active case management to link families with services. Information for families is also available.

**Contact:** Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin, 620 South 76th Street, Suite 120, Milwaukee, WI 53214. Telephone: (414) 292-4000; (414) 292-4004; fax: (414) 231-4972; website: [http://www.chawisconsin.org/oral\\_health.htm](http://www.chawisconsin.org/oral_health.htm). Available at <http://www.chawisconsin.org/wssp.htm>.

**WORKING TOGETHER: IMPROVING ACCESS TO ORAL HEALTH AND DENTAL CARE FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS**

Highmark Foundation. 2010. *Working Together: Improving Access to Oral Health and Dental Care for Underserved Populations*. Pittsburgh, PA: Highmark Foundation. 13 pp.

This report describes an initiative to reduce oral health burdens among individuals in Pennsylvania who cannot afford dentists or who are unable to find oral health professionals who will treat them and their families. Contents include stories from community-based grantees who were awarded foundation funding to (1) improve coordination and build capacity, (2) address a regional strategy to support expansion of oral health services, or (3) expand or improve existing dental equipment. The report presents an analysis of the impact the grants have had to date using three metrics: access to care, quality of care, and financial sustainability. Implications for future improvements in the oral health of underserved populations in Pennsylvania are also addressed.

**Contact:** Highmark Foundation, 120 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. Telephone: (866) 594-1730;



website: <http://www.highmark.com>. Available at [https://www.highmark.com/hmk2/community/hmfoundation/dental\\_report.pdf](https://www.highmark.com/hmk2/community/hmfoundation/dental_report.pdf).

## PUBLIC AWARENESS AND EDUCATION

### DENTAL HEALTH

National Library of Medicine. 2011. *Dental Health*. Rockville, MD: National Library of Medicine.

This MedlinePlus web page provides oral health information and resources for consumers and their families. Topics include news, treatment, prevention/screening, nutrition, specific conditions, and related issues. Multimedia (tutorials, videos, games), research, and resources are also presented. Selected resources are available in Arabic, Bosnian, Chinese, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

**Contact:** National Library of Medicine, Department of Health and Human Services, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20894. Telephone: (301) 594-5983; (888) 346-3656; fax: (301) 402-1384; e-mail: [publicinfo@nlm.nih.gov](mailto:publicinfo@nlm.nih.gov); website: <http://www.nlm.nih.gov>. Available at <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/dentalhealth.html>.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: ORAL HEALTH

Department of Health and Human Services, Office on Women's Health. 2010. *Frequently Asked Questions: Oral Health*. Washington, DC: Department of Health and Human Services, Office on Women's Health. 10 pp.

This document provides answers to frequently asked questions about women's oral health. Topics include common oral health problems and how they may be linked to non-oral-health problems, oral hygiene and dental visits, pregnancy and oral health, infant oral health, and cancer treatment and oral health. Contact information for organizations that provide oral health information is also included.

**Contact:** National Women's Health Information Center, 8270 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Fairfax, VA 22031. Telephone: (800) 994-9662; (888) 220-5446; fax: (703) 560-6598; website: <http://www.womenshealth.gov/faq/oral-health.pdf>.

### A HEALTHY MOUTH FOR YOUR BABY (FOR AMERICAN INDIANS AND ALASKA NATIVES)

National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 2010. *A Healthy Mouth for Your Baby (for American Indians and Alaska Natives)*. Bethesda, MD: National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 10 pp.

This brochure, designed for American Indian and Alaska Native parents, grandparents, and other caregivers, addresses oral health in young children. Topics include the role of fluoride and oral hygiene in preventing tooth decay, infant feeding and nutrition, and the importance of having a dental visit by age 1.

**Contact:** National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Room 2C39, 31 Center Drive, MSC2290, Bethesda, MD 20892. Telephone: (866) 232-4528; fax: (301) 480-4098; e-mail: [nidcrinfo@mail.nih.gov](mailto:nidcrinfo@mail.nih.gov); website: <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov>. Available at no charge from the website. Document code: NIH Publication No. 10-7340. [http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/NR/rdonlyres/DBDB64CF-E8EE-4A5A-A6C2-D10FCF9027B2/0/HealthyMouth\\_brochure.pdf](http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/NR/rdonlyres/DBDB64CF-E8EE-4A5A-A6C2-D10FCF9027B2/0/HealthyMouth_brochure.pdf).

### A HEALTHY MOUTH FOR YOUR BABY (REV.)

Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 2010. *A Healthy Mouth for Your Baby (rev.)*. Bethesda, MD: Department of Health and Human Services, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 9 pp.

This brochure for parents and other caregivers discusses oral health in young children. Topics include the importance of primary teeth and the role of fluoride and oral hygiene in preventing tooth decay. The brochure provides tips on checking and cleaning the teeth, infant feeding and nutrition, and the importance having a dental visit by age 1. The brochure is available in English and Spanish.

**Contact:** National Oral Health Information Clearinghouse, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, One NOHIC Way, Bethesda, MD 20892-3500. Telephone: (301) 402-7364; (866) 232-4528; fax: (301) 480-4098; e-mail: [nidcrinfo@mail.nih.gov](mailto:nidcrinfo@mail.nih.gov); website: <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov>. Available at no charge (limit 50 copies, order online at <https://www.nidcr.nih.gov/OrderPublications/default.aspx>). Document code: NIH Pub. No. 10-2884 (English), 10-2884S (Spanish). Also available at <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/OralHealth/>

[Topics/ToothDecay/AHealthyMouthforYourBaby.htm](#) (English) and <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/OralHealth/OralHealthInformation/Spanish/UnaBocaSaludableParaSuBebe.htm> (Spanish).

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**HEALTHY SMILES FOR TWO**

South Dakota Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 2010. *Healthy Smiles for Two*. Pierre, SD: South Dakota Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 4 pp.

This brochure presents tips for women on oral hygiene and oral health care during and after pregnancy. Topics include the importance of visiting the dentist early in pregnancy, eating nutritious foods, drinking water with fluoride, avoiding the adverse impact of nausea and vomiting during pregnancy, and avoiding tobacco products.

**Contact:** South Dakota Department of Health, Oral Health Program, 615 East Fourth Street, Pierre, SD 57501. Telephone: (605) 773-3361; website: <http://doh.sd.gov/OralHealth>. Available at [http://doh.sd.gov/OralHealth/PDF/SmilesforTwo\\_Brochure.pdf](http://doh.sd.gov/OralHealth/PDF/SmilesforTwo_Brochure.pdf).

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**MIGHTY TOOTH SAYS: SEAL AWAY TOOTH DECAY!**

Maryland Office of Oral Health, University of Maryland Dental School. 2010. *Mighty Tooth Says: Seal Away Tooth Decay!* Baltimore, MD: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health.

This campaign is aimed at increasing public demand for dental sealants in private and public dental offices and in school-based and school-linked programs. Topics include what are sealants, why get sealants, what causes tooth decay, and who should get sealants. A video and publications are included. A report on the project findings is also available.

**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; (800) 735-2258; fax: (410) 333-7392; e-mail: [oralhealth@dnhm.state.md.us](mailto:oralhealth@dnhm.state.md.us); website: <http://fha.maryland.gov/oralhealth>. Available at <http://www.mightytooth.com> (campaign website) and [http://fha.maryland.gov/pdf/oralhealth/MT\\_final\\_document\\_08022010.pdf](http://fha.maryland.gov/pdf/oralhealth/MT_final_document_08022010.pdf) (project report).

**PATIENT EDUCATION TOOLS**

California Dental Association. 2011. *Patient Education Tools*. Sacramento, CA: California Dental Association. multiple items.

This series of fact sheets for the public addresses a variety of oral health topics, including amalgam, halitosis, tooth decay, cosmetic dentistry, dental benefits and insurance, dental implants, dental sealants, dental team, dental tourism, dentures, dry mouth, early childhood caries, emergencies, fluoride, general anesthesia and oral sedation, grinding of teeth, gum disease, meth mouth, mouth guards, new mothers, nitrous oxide, nutrition, older adults, oral cancer, orthodontics, patient records, peer review, pregnancy, preventive care, receding gums, smokeless tobacco, whitening, wisdom teeth, X-rays, and xylitol. The fact sheets are available in English, Spanish, Hmong, Chinese, Russian, and Vietnamese.

**Contact:** California Dental Association, 1201 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Telephone: (800) 232-7645; e-mail: [contactcda@cda.org](mailto:contactcda@cda.org); website: <http://www.cda.org>. Available at [http://www.cda.org/page/patient\\_education\\_tools](http://www.cda.org/page/patient_education_tools).

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**PREVENT INFANT AND TODDLER TOOTH DECAY OR EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES (ECC)**

South Dakota Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 2010. *Prevent Infant and Toddler Tooth Decay or Early Childhood Caries (ECC)*. Pierre, SD: South Dakota Department of Health. 4 pp.

This brochure for parents describes early childhood caries and how to prevent tooth decay in infants and young children. Topics include the importance of healthy primary teeth and gums, oral hygiene, avoiding putting an infant or young child to bed with a bottle or sippy cup, avoiding drinks high in sugar, when to teach an infant or young child to drink from a cup, and when to schedule the first dental visit.

**Contact:** Julie Ellingson. South Dakota Department of Health, Oral Health Program, 615 East Fourth Street, Pierre, SD 57501. Telephone: (605) 773-3361; e-mail: [Julie.Ellingson@state.sd.us](mailto:Julie.Ellingson@state.sd.us); website: <http://doh.sd.gov/OralHealth>. Available at no charge; also available at <https://apps.sd.gov/applications/PH18Publications/secure/PublicationsInt/OH-001-PreventEarlyChildhoodCaries.pdf>.

**RESOURCE FOR DENTAL CARE: A GUIDE TO FREE AND LOW-COST DENTAL CARE**

Delta Dental of Oklahoma Oral Health Foundation. 2011. *Resource for Dental Care: A Guide to Free and Low-Cost Dental Care*. Oklahoma City, OK: Delta Dental of Oklahoma. Quarterly.

This guide provides information to help individuals in Oklahoma who cannot afford oral health care find free and low-cost resources, assist referral sources in helping individuals who need care to find it, and connect free and low-cost programs to one another to leverage limited resources and multiply efforts and results. The guide also provides information about the foundation and some of its activities.

**Contact:** Delta Dental of Oklahoma Oral Health Foundation, 16 N.W. 63rd Street, Suite 201, Oklahoma City, OK 73116. Telephone: (405) 607-4771; (800) 522-0188, ext. 771; e-mail: [foundation@DeltaDentalOK.org](mailto:foundation@DeltaDentalOK.org); website: <http://www.DDOKFoundation.org>. Available at [http://www.deltadentalok.org/site\\_docs/DDOK\\_FND\\_ResourceGuide.pdf](http://www.deltadentalok.org/site_docs/DDOK_FND_ResourceGuide.pdf).

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**SOMETHING TO SMILE ABOUT**

Wisconsin Division of Public Health. 2010. *Something to Smile About*. Madison, WI: Wisconsin Division of Public Health. 20 pp.

This brochure for parents and other caregivers discusses infant oral health. Topics include dental caries, including white spots and early childhood caries, and the importance of having a dental visit by age 1. The brochure also provides tips on oral hygiene and infant feeding and nutrition.

**Contact:** Wisconsin Division of Public Health, P. O. Box 2659, Madison, WI 53701-2659. Telephone: (608) 266-1251; (888) 701-1253; fax: (608) 266-2832; website: <http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/aboutdhs/dph/dph.htm>. Available at <http://www.dhfs.wisconsin.gov/publications/P0/P00221.pdf>.









