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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/ResBulletins.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

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

Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Data Resource Center. 2012. *Catalog of Surveys and Archive of Procedures Related to Oral Health*. Rockville, MD: Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Data Resource Center. Semi-annual.

This database links descriptions of oral health data sources with descriptions of procedures 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, 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.

**Contact:** Dental, Oral and Craniofacial 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>.

#### HILLS AND VALLEYS: THE CHALLENGE OF IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH IN APPALACHIAN OHIO 2012—A REPORT ON ORAL HEALTH AND BARRIERS TO GETTING DENTAL CARE

Ohio Department of Health. 2012. *Hills and Valleys: The Challenge of Improving Oral Health in Appalachian Ohio 2012—A Report on Oral Health and Barriers to Getting Dental Care*. Columbus, OH: Ohio Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 30 pp.

This report provides information about the oral health status of children and adults in Appalachian Ohio and barriers to obtaining oral health care in the region. The report also provides examples of programs that are improving oral health and access to care in the region, as well as recommendations for other promising strategies.

**Contact:** Ohio Department of Health, Oral Health Program, 246 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43215. Telephone: (614) 466-4180; fax: (614) 564-2421; e-mail: [BCHS@odh.ohio.gov](mailto:BCHS@odh.ohio.gov); Web site: <http://www.odh.ohio.gov/odhPrograms/ohs/oral/oral1.aspx>. Available at <http://www.odh.ohio.gov/~media/ODH/ASSETS/Files/ohs/oral%20health/Appalachian%20Report%20FINAL.ashx>.

#### MISSOURI'S ORAL HEALTH: UNDERSTANDING AND OVERCOMING BARRIERS TO ORAL HEALTH ACCESS

Frosh WJ. 2012. *Missouri's Oral Health: Understanding and Overcoming Barriers to Oral Health Access*. Merriam, KS: REACH Healthcare Foundation. 44 pp., exec. summ. 4 pp.

This report documents the oral health status of adults and children in Missouri, including national and state data on disparities in oral health, Medicaid, emergency room use for oral health care, and community water fluoridation. The report also examines results from interviews with key stakeholders on topics such as Missouri's oral-health-care-delivery system, sites and settings, and work force. The report concludes with a discussion of barriers to care and a description of systemic and programmatic approaches to overcoming these barriers.

**Contact:** REACH Healthcare Foundation, 6700 Antioch Road, Suite 200, Merriam, KS 66204. Telephone: (913) 432-4196; (866) 866-8805; e-mail: [http://www.reachhealth.org/Contact/Contact.aspx?x=070|010&~=](mailto:reachhealth.org/Contact/Contact.aspx?x=070|010&~=); website: <http://www.reachhealth.org>. Available at <http://reachhealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/OHFullReport.pdf>.

#### OFFICE OF HEAD START MONITORING REVIEWS

Office of Head Start. 2012. *Office of Head Start Monitoring Reviews*. Washington, DC: Office of Head Start. Annual.

This resource provides information and tools related to Head Start monitoring, including the onsite review protocol (in English and Spanish), video and slides from

a grantee webcast, and monitoring guides. The guides are organized by reviewer roles and evidence-collection methods. In each guide, the evidence collected is linked to compliance indicators and frameworks within the protocol. Topics include management systems and program governance, fiscal integrity, staff and child file, family and community engagement, child health and safety, and child development and education.

**Contact:** Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center, Office of Head Start. Telephone: (866) 763-6481; website: <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc>. Available at <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/mr/monitoring>.

**ORAL HEALTH DISPARITIES AS DETERMINED BY SELECTED HEALTHY PEOPLE 2020 ORAL HEALTH OBJECTIVES FOR THE UNITED STATES, 2009–2010**

Dye BA, Li X, Thornton-Evans G. 2012. *Oral Health Disparities as Determined by Selected Healthy People 2020 Oral Health Objectives for the United States, 2009–2010*. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 7 pp.

This report presents findings on oral health disparities from the 2009–2010 National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey. The report focuses on *Healthy People 2020* objectives covering select age groups by race and ethnicity and poverty status. Topics include untreated dental caries among children and adolescents ages 3–5, 6–9, and 13–15; dental sealants among children ages 6–9 and adolescents ages 13–15; tooth retention among adults ages 25–64; and edentulism among adults ages 65–74.

**Contact:** National Center for Health Statistics, 3311 Toledo Road, Hyattsville, MD 20782. Telephone: (301) 458-4000; (800) 232-4636; fax: (301) 458-4020; e-mail: [nchsquery@cdc.gov](mailto:nchsquery@cdc.gov); website: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs>. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/databriefs/db104.pdf>.

**ORAL HEALTH IN THE U.S.: KEY FACTS**

Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. 2012. *Oral Health in the U.S.: Key Facts*. Washington, DC: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. 2 pp.

This fact sheet provides data on oral health care coverage and access for children, adults, and Medicare

beneficiaries. Contents include state-by-state data on the percentage of the population living in an oral-health-professional shortage area and the percentage of adults ages 18 and older with a dental visit within the past year.

**Contact:** Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, 1330 G Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 347-5270; fax: (202) 347-5274; e-mail: <http://www.kff.org/about/contact.cfm>; website: <http://www.kff.org/about/kcmu.cfm>. Available at <http://www.kff.org/uninsured/upload/8324.pdf>.

**ORAL HEALTH MAPS: A SERIES OF MAPS DESCRIBING PROFESSIONAL AND PREVENTION RESOURCES, MAINE, 2011**

Nazare S. 2011. *Oral Health Maps: A Series of Maps Describing Professional and Prevention Resources, Maine, 2011*. Augusta, ME: Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Oral Health Program. 11 pp.

This website lists a series of maps that provide a picture of oral health resources in Maine. The maps display data on the number and density of licensed dentists and dental hygienists by county of practice, safety net dental clinics, schools funded to provide fluoride mouthrinse and dental sealants, and public water systems providing optimally fluoridated water.

**Contact:** Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Oral Health Program, 11 State House Station, Key Plaza, 286 Water Street, Fifth Floor, Augusta, ME 04333-0011. Telephone: (207) 287-2361; (800) 606-0215; fax: (207) 287-7213; e-mail: [judith.a.feinstein@maine.gov](mailto:judith.a.feinstein@maine.gov); website: <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/bohdcfh/odh>. Available at <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/population-health/odh/maps.shtml>.

**SELECTED ORAL HEALTH INDICATORS IN THE UNITED STATES, 2005–2008**

Dye BA, Li X, Beltran-Aguilar ED. 2012. *Selected Oral Health Indicators in the United States, 2005–2008*. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 8 pp.

This brief presents findings from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, 2005–2008, on the oral health status of children and adolescents (ages 5–19) and adults. Topics include untreated dental caries

and dental restoration prevalence by age, race and ethnicity, and poverty level. The prevalence of dental sealants, complete tooth retention, and edentulism are also addressed.

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**SUMMARY REPORT: SYNOPSES OF STATE DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS—DATA FOR FY 2010–2011**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2012. *Summary Report: Synopses of State Dental Public Health Programs—Data For FY 2010–2011*. Sparks, NV: 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 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.

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**WHO’S LEADING THE LEADING HEALTH INDICATORS? WEBINAR: ORAL HEALTH**

Wright D, Koh HK, Goodman H, Bailey W, Casper J, Altema-Johnson D. 2012. *Who’s Leading the Leading Health Indicators? Webinar: Oral Health*. Rockville, MD: Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. 2 items.

This transcript and presentation slides from a webinar held on August 20, 2012, highlight Maryland’s experience with leveraging partnerships to bring about statewide changes in oral health. Topics include the

*Healthy People 2020* leading oral health indicators and progress, outcomes, and future directions of oral health reforms in Maryland. The webinar is one in a series of webinars highlighting an organization, state, or community addressing a *Healthy People 2020* leading health indicator.

**Contact:** Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite LL100, Rockville, MD 20852. Telephone: (240) 453-8280; fax: (240) 453-8282; website: <http://odphp.osophs.dhhs.gov>. Available at <http://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/connect/webinarsArchive.aspx#>.

**MCHB-FUNDED PROJECT FINAL REPORTS**

**HOME BY ONE: TOHSS FINAL PROJECT NARRATIVE REPORT**

Ferraro L. 2012. *Home by One: TOHSS Final Project Narrative Report*. Hartford, CT: Connecticut Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health. 19 pp., plus appendix.

This final report describes a program that focuses on the belief that oral health in early childhood is integral to young children’s overall health and well-being. Contents include a summary of the burden of early childhood oral disease, program experiences to date, and program impacts. A list of publications and an evaluation are also included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**SYHC SAN YSIDRO HEALTH CENTER SCHOOL READINESS INITIATIVE: FINAL REPORT**

Martinez E. 2012. *SYHC San Ysidro Health Center School Readiness Initiative: Final Report*. San Ysidro, CA: San Ysidro Health Center. 41 pp.

This final report describes a program to provide young children from families with low incomes with health, developmental and behavioral, and oral health screenings before the children enter school. Topics include project goals and objectives, methodology, evaluation, results, and outcomes. The report also provides information on how the results will be disseminated and used. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**POLICY**

**CHILDREN AND ORAL HEALTH: ASSESSING NEEDS, COVERAGE, AND ACCESS**

Paradise J. 2012. *Children and Oral Health: Assessing Needs, Coverage, and Access*. Washington, DC: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. 7 pp.

This policy brief highlights the prevalence of oral health problems among children and adolescents and examines gaps in oral health coverage, access to care, and disparities by income and race and ethnicity. The brief also looks at out-of-pocket costs for care; explains the role of Medicaid and the Children’s Health Insurance Program in care, coverage, and access for children; and describes the expansion of coverage for children under the Affordable Care Act.

**Contact:** Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, 1330 G Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 347-5270; fax: (202) 347-5274; e-mail: <http://www.kff.org/about/contact.cfm>; website: <http://www.kff.org/about/kcmu.cfm>. Available at <http://www.kff.org/medicaid/upload/7681-04.pdf>.

**A COMPARATIVE REVIEW OF ESSENTIAL HEALTH BENEFITS PERTINENT TO CHILDREN IN LARGE FEDERAL, STATE, AND SMALL GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS: IMPLICATIONS FOR SELECTING STATE BENCHMARK PLANS**

McManus P. 2012. *A Comparative Review of Essential Health Benefits Pertinent to Children in Large Federal, State, and Small Group Health Insurance Plans: Implications for Selecting State Benchmark Plans*. Elk Grove, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics. 44 pp.

This report examines essential health benefits (EHBs) for children required by the Affordable Care Act and coverage in federal and state benchmark plans. The report compares federal and state employee and small group insurance plans, as well as policies in separate Children’s Health Insurance Programs and Medicaid and Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment programs. The report also outlines the plans’ strengths and weaknesses by EHB category, including pediatric preventive, diagnostic, and restorative oral health services.

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**DENTAL COVERAGE FOR LOW-INCOME PREGNANT WOMEN**

Silverman D. 2012. *Dental Coverage for Low-Income Pregnant Women*. Washington, DC: National Health Law Program. 7 pp.

This issue brief discusses the importance of comprehensive oral health care during pregnancy; explains the status of coverage for pregnant women under Medicaid, the Children’s Health Insurance Program, and the Affordable Care Act; and recommends strategies to expand dental coverage for pregnant women with low incomes.

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**DENTAL MEDICAID—2012**

Wall TP. 2012. *Dental Medicaid—2012*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association, Health Policy Resources Center. 23 pp.

This paper identifies and examines issues related to oral health services for children enrolled in Medicaid. Topics include where children receive services and effective methods for increasing service use. Additional topics include dentist participation in Medicaid, the impact of reimbursement rates on state Medicaid dental expenditures, service delivery through managed care organizations, nondentist providers, and barriers hindering state initiatives to improve access to services. Information on the Children’s Health Insurance Program and oral health services for adults enrolled in Medicaid is included in the appendices.

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**DENTAL VISITS FOR MEDICAID CHILDREN: ANALYSIS AND POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS**

Edelstein B. 2012. *Dental Visits for Medicaid Children: Analysis and Policy Recommendations*. Washington, DC: Children’s Dental Health Project. 7 pp.

This policy brief examines the numbers and percentages of children enrolled in Medicaid who receive oral health care in a year and the numbers and percentages of those who did not. Topics include increases in oral health services to children enrolled in Medicaid, where children receive care, and opportunities for policy improvements.

**Contact:** Children’s Dental Health Project, 1020 19th Street, N.W., Suite 400, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 833-8288; fax: (202) 331-1432; e-mail: [cdhpinfo@cdhp.org](mailto:cdhpinfo@cdhp.org); website: <http://www.cdhp.org>. Available at <http://www.cdhp.org/system/files/CDHP%20Pediatric%20Dental%20Medicaid%20performance%20Policy%20Brief%206-20-12.pdf>.

**DEVELOPING A VISION FOR ORAL HEALTH QUALITY IMPROVEMENT IN AN ERA OF ACCOUNTABILITY: MEETING PROCEEDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS—JANUARY 24–25, 2012, WASHINGTON, DC**

DentaQuest Institute and W. K. Kellogg Foundation. 2012. *Developing a Vision for Oral Health Quality Improvement in an Era of Accountability: Meeting Proceedings and Recommendations—January 24–25, 2012, Washington, DC*. Westborough, MA: DentaQuest Institute. 13 pp.

This document summarizes a meeting convened on January 24–25, 2012, in Washington, DC, to discuss objectives and approaches to improving quality in oral health care. Topics include developing a national plan, developing and standardizing oral health measures, developing quality-measurement systems tied to outcomes-based reimbursement systems, and developing educational initiatives to support change in delivery and reimbursement systems.

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**EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES POLICY STATEMENT**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2012. *Early Childhood Caries Policy Statement*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 6 pp.

This policy statement recommends that state and local health departments and other community programs implement programs and policies to address early prevention, oral-disease-risk management, access to oral health services, and systems of integration and coordination to prevent and control early childhood caries. The policy statement addresses the importance of evidence-based prevention by discussing topics such as community water fluoridation, the emerging evidence on fluoride varnish, the efficacy of fluoridated toothpaste, and early intervention through the establishment of a coordinated medical and dental home. A strategic framework is included.

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626-9268; e-mail: [info@astdd.org](mailto:info@astdd.org); website: <http://www.astdd.org>. Available at [http://www.astdd.org/docs/Early\\_Childhood\\_Caries\\_Policy\\_Statement\\_June\\_26\\_2012.pdf](http://www.astdd.org/docs/Early_Childhood_Caries_Policy_Statement_June_26_2012.pdf).

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**FILLING THE GAPS: DENTAL CARE, COVERAGE, AND ACCESS**

Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured and Program on Medicare Policy. 2012. *Filling the Gaps: Dental Care, Coverage, and Access*. Washington, DC: Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation.

This webcast from the public forum held on June 19, 2012, in Washington, DC, examines gaps and disparities in dental coverage and care in the United States; the health, social, and other consequences of systemic deficiencies; and promising strategies for ensuring access to care for all Americans.

**Contact:** Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, 2400 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park, CA 94025. Telephone: (650) 854-9400; (202) 347-5270; fax: (650) 854-4800; website: <http://www.kff.org>. Available at <http://www.kff.org/uninsured/kcmu061912pkg.cfm>.

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**FLORIDA ORAL HEALTH ACCESS: PUBLIC POLICY SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS WELLNESS AND HEALTHCARE SPENDING**

Florida Public Health Institute. 2012. *Florida Oral Health Access: Public Policy Solutions to Address Wellness and Healthcare Spending*. Lake Worth, FL: Florida Public Health Institute. 1 p.

This fact sheet presents oral health as a serious health issue, challenges in access to oral health care, and policy solutions. Additional contents include data on the numbers and percentages of children and adults who were eligible for Medicaid oral health services and those who used these services as well as the numbers and percentages of adults who visited a dentist or clinic in the past year and those who did not, by income group.

**Contact:** Florida Public Health Institute, 1622 North Federal Highway, Suite B, Lake Worth, FL 33460. Telephone: (561) 533-7909; fax: (561) 533-7966; e-mail: <http://www.flphi.org/contact-us>; website: <http://www.flphi.org>. Available at [http://cdn.trustedpartner.com/docs/library/FloridaOralHealth2011/Florida\\_oral\\_health\\_access\\_FINAL.pdf](http://cdn.trustedpartner.com/docs/library/FloridaOralHealth2011/Florida_oral_health_access_FINAL.pdf).

**FORGING A COMPREHENSIVE INITIATIVE TO IMPROVE BIRTH OUTCOMES AND REDUCE INFANT MORTALITY: POLICY AND PROGRAM OPTIONS FOR STATE PLANNING**

Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs. 2012. *Forging a Comprehensive Initiative to Improve Birth Outcomes and Reduce Infant Mortality: Policy and Program Options for State Planning*. Washington, DC: Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs. 92 pp.

This compendium is a collection of recommendations for states to address infant mortality, supplemented by action steps, examples, and case studies. Topics include implementing oral-health-promotion efforts; improving access to oral health care for women before, during, and after pregnancy; and ensuring health care quality for all women and infants. The compendium also discusses implementing maternal-risk screening for all women of reproductive age, enhancing service integration for all women and infants, developing data systems to understand and inform efforts, and promoting social equity.

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**HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENT: NATIONAL NUTRITION STANDARDS FOR SNACK AND A LA CARTE FOODS AND BEVERAGES SOLD IN SCHOOLS**

Kids' Safe and Healthful Foods Project and Health Impact Project. 2012. *Health Impact Assessment: National Nutrition Standards for Snack and a la Carte Foods and Beverages Sold in Schools*. Washington, DC: Pew Charitable Trusts. 171 pp.

This report explores the relationship between changes in the school food environment and children's health outcomes. Topics include the potential impacts of national nutrition standards for competitive foods or foods sold in schools individually as snacks, a la carte items, and beverages on students' health, school services, and diet and nutrition. The report also presents policy recommendations and promising practices.

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**IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH CARE: ACA INITIATIVES AND IOM RECOMMENDATIONS**

Davis C. 2012. *Improving Oral Health Care: ACA Initiatives and IOM Recommendations*. Washington, DC: National Health Law Program. 10 pp.

This issue brief describes the problem of poor oral health care in the United States. The brief discusses solutions suggested by Institute of Medicine reports published in 2011 and Affordable Care Act provisions intended to positively impact oral health care in the country.

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**IMPROVING THE ORAL HEALTH OF PREGNANT WOMEN AND YOUNG CHILDREN: OPPORTUNITIES FOR POLICYMAKERS**

National Maternal and Child Oral Health Policy Center. 2012. *Improving the Oral Health of Pregnant Women and Young Children: Opportunities for Policymakers*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Policy Center. 6 pp.

This issue brief explores opportunities for policymakers to improve the oral health of pregnant women and children. Topics include the evidence base for oral health care before, during, and after pregnancy; the use of oral health care services; liability; and policy options for improving access to and coverage of oral health services. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**INVESTING IN THE FUTURE HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE**

Santoro KL, Speedling CM. 2012. *Investing in the Future Health Care Workforce*. Washington, DC: National Institute for Health Care Management Foundation. 11 pp.

This issue brief summarizes factors impacting the health care work force and highlights health-plan-foundation efforts to ensure that a stable number of physicians and other health professionals continue to practice in their communities. Topics include training opportunities for dentists and support for community dental clinics. The brief concludes by examining opportunities for foundations to impact the supply of health professionals and access to health care in the future.

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**A NATION IN NEED OF DENTAL CARE**

Families USA. 2012. *A Nation in Need of Dental Care*. Washington, DC: Families USA. 3 pp.

This fact sheet for health advocates provides information about the use of oral health care, unmet need, and the impact of poor oral health on overall health and productivity. Topics include state-level advocacy and legislative efforts to prevent oral disease and provide dental coverage for children, including the Affordable Care Act and the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act.

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**PEDIATRIC DENTAL BENEFITS UNDER THE ACA: ISSUES FOR STATE ADVOCATES TO CONSIDER**

Booth M, Reusch C, Touschner J. 2012. *Pediatric Dental Benefits Under the ACA: Issues for State Advocates to Consider*. Washington, DC: Children’s Dental Health Project and Georgetown University Center for Children and Families. 6 pp.

This brief provides background on states’ roles in implementing changes to pediatric dental benefits. The brief also includes recommendations for advocates working to improve children’s oral health.

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**PERINATAL ORAL HEALTH POLICY STATEMENT**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2012. *Perinatal Oral Health Policy Statement*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 5 pp.

This policy statement supports a strategic framework for promoting best practices for state and community oral health programs to optimize the oral health of pregnant women, mothers, and children. Topics include oral health during the perinatal period, assessing and monitoring perinatal oral health, enhancing infrastructure and building partnerships, informing and empowering the public to mobilize support, ensuring an adequate oral health work force and adequate oral health systems, promoting and supporting research and evidence-based practices, and integrating perinatal oral health programs into patient-centered medical homes.

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**RETURNING THE MOUTH TO THE BODY: INTEGRATING ORAL HEALTH AND PRIMARY CARE**

Grantmakers In Health. 2012. *Returning the Mouth to the Body: Integrating Oral Health and Primary Care*. Washington, DC: Grantmakers In Health. 31 pp., exec. summ 4 pp.

This issue brief synthesizes key points from a meeting of funders, researchers, and practitioners convened on April 17, 2012, in Washington, DC, to discuss benefits of and challenges and approaches to integrating oral health care and primary care. Topics include the scope of the problem, the case for integration, practical challenges and considerations, practice models for integrating delivery and financing systems, areas for grantmaker investment, and conclusions.

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**SUMMARY OF THE SECOND LEADERSHIP COLLOQUIUM: PREVENTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH—U.S. NATIONAL ORAL HEALTH ALLIANCE, MARCH 13–14, 2012, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

Alliance for Oral Health. 2012. *Summary of the Second Leadership Colloquium: Prevention and Public Health—U.S. National Oral Health Alliance, March 13–14, 2012, Chicago, Illinois*. San Francisco, CA: Harder+Company. 36 pp.

This report summarizes the second leadership colloquium of the U.S. National Oral Health Alliance held on March 13–14, 2012, in Chicago, Illinois. The purpose of the colloquium was to examine the role of prevention and public health infrastructure in strengthening the national commitment to optimal oral health for all. The summary provides an overview of key areas of focus, shared ideas, and next steps envisioned by colloquium participants.

**Contact:** Harder+Company, 299 Kansas Street, San Francisco, CA 94103. Telephone: (415) 522-5400; fax: (415) 522-5445; website: <http://www.hardco.com>. Available at [http://www.usalliancefororalhealth.org/sites/default/files/static/Summary%20of%20the%20Second%20Leadership%20Colloquium\\_0.pdf](http://www.usalliancefororalhealth.org/sites/default/files/static/Summary%20of%20the%20Second%20Leadership%20Colloquium_0.pdf).



## PROFESSIONAL-CLIENT TOOLS

### PACKAGING WISDOM: A FAMILY CENTERED CARE COORDINATION NOTEBOOK

Wyoming Family 2 Family Health Information Center. 2012. *Packaging Wisdom: A Family Centered Care Coordination Notebook*. Buffalo, WY: Wyoming Family 2 Family Health Information Center. 86 pp.

This notebook is designed to help parents of children with special health care needs record, track, and share information with their child's health care team, child care provider, school, and family members. Contents include worksheets for recording the child's health history, including the first dental visit, and the child's dentist's contact information, specialist recommendations, and appointment dates and times. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

**Contact:** Wyoming Family 2 Family Health Information Center, 500 W. Lott Street, Suite A, Buffalo, WY 82834. Telephone: (307) 684-2277; website: <http://www.wpic.org/wyf2fhic>. Available at [http://www.wpic.org/WYF2FHIC/PDF/PackagingWisdom/PackagingWisdom\\_0112.pdf](http://www.wpic.org/WYF2FHIC/PDF/PackagingWisdom/PackagingWisdom_0112.pdf).

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### ADOLESCENT ORAL HEALTH

Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 2012. *Adolescent Oral Health*. Rockville, MD: Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 60 min.

This webcast, held on August 30, 2012, addresses the *Healthy People 2020* oral health objectives for adolescents. Topics include oral conditions such as tooth decay, periodontal disease, and trauma; access to and use of oral health services; and school-based strategies for improving oral health.

**Contact:** Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration, Parklawn Building, Room 18-05, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Telephone: (301) 443-2170; (800) 311-BABY (311-2229); (800) 504-7081; website: <http://www.mchb.hrsa.gov>. Available at <http://learning.mchb.hrsa.gov/archivedWebcastDetail.asp?id=305>.

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

American Association for Community Dental Programs. 2012. *The Bellwether: Leading Local Efforts to Improve the Nation's Oral Health*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. Biannual.

This newsletter provides information on national and local oral health activities as well as upcoming events and educational materials. The July 2012 issue features information about the American Association for Community Dental Programs' annual symposium, legislative and regulatory updates, and program news and resources. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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### CHILD AND ADOLESCENT ORAL HEALTH ISSUES

Barzel R, Holt K. 2012. *Child and Adolescent Oral Health Issues*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 8 pp.

This fact sheet provides health professionals with information on issues related to child and adolescent oral health. Topics include dental caries, access to care, children and adolescents with special health care needs, dental sealants, fluorides, nutrition, injury and violence, and tobacco. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**CMS LEARNING LAB: IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH THROUGH ACCESS**

Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services. 2012. *CMS Learning Lab: Improving Oral Health Through Access*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

This webinar series provides information for states and their collaborative partners to improve access to oral health services for children enrolled in Medicaid and the Children’s Health Insurance Program. The inaugural webinar, held on June 19, 2012, presented information on developing state oral health action plan using state data. The September 26, 2012, webinar featured successful beneficiary-outreach strategies. An informational bulletin about the series, presentation slides, and audiorecordings are available from the website.

**Contact:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244. Telephone: (877) 267-2323; (410) 786-3000; (866) 226-1819; (410) 786-0272; website: <http://cms.gov>. Available at <http://www.medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Benefits/Dental-Care.html>.

**EXPANDING THE DENTAL SAFETY NET: A FIRST LOOK AT HOW DENTAL THERAPISTS CAN HELP**

Pew Children’s Campaign. 2012. *Expanding the Dental Safety Net: A First Look at How Dental Therapists Can Help*. Washington, DC: Pew Center on the States. 21 pp.

This paper looks at the impact of deploying dental therapists in federally qualified health center (FQHC) dental clinics or FQHC-operated school programs. State examples (Connecticut and Minnesota), policy implications, and conclusions are provided. The appendix provides information on the methodology and the model used to estimate the cost of services provided to children by dental therapists within FQHC clinics or programs.

**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.pewstates.org/uploadedFiles/PCS\\_Assets/2012/Pew\\_Expanding\\_the\\_Dental\\_Safety\\_Net.pdf](http://www.pewstates.org/uploadedFiles/PCS_Assets/2012/Pew_Expanding_the_Dental_Safety_Net.pdf).

**THE NETWORK GUIDE**

Health Resources and Services Administration and National Association of Community Health Centers. 2012. *The Network Guide*. Rockville, MD: Health Resources and Services Administration; Bethesda, MD: National Association of Community Health Centers. 84 pp.

This guide features information on health information technology (HIT) services and support as they relate to quality-improvement adoption and implementation of HIT in safety net settings. The guide discusses support for electronic oral health records and provides information about a network model to help health centers collaborate with one another, including background and definitions of health center networks, network characteristics and dimensions, and a discussion of engaging with networks.

**Contact:** Health Resources and Services Administration, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Telephone: (888) 275-4772; (877) 464-4772; (800) 221-9393; (301) 443-3376; fax: (301) 443-1246; e-mail: [ask@hrsa.gov](mailto:ask@hrsa.gov); website: <http://www.hrsa.gov>. Available at <http://www.hrsa.gov/healthit/networkguide/networkguide.pdf>.

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

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health. 2012. *Oral Health Care During Pregnancy: At-a-Glance Reference Guide*. Baltimore, MD: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Oral Health. 2 pp.

This guide provides recommendations for oral health professionals and prenatal care health professionals on helping women obtain oral health care during pregnancy. Topics include emergency or nonelective treatment and radiographs, dental cleanings, elective dental procedures, using and avoiding medications, complying with standards of care, strategies for increasing pregnant women’s comfort during treatment, and recommendations for improving or maintaining oral health during pregnancy.

**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@dhmh.state.md.us](mailto:oralhealth@dhmh.state.md.us); website: <http://www.dhmh.state.md.us>.

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**ORAL HEALTH CARE DURING PREGNANCY:  
A NATIONAL CONSENSUS STATEMENT—SUMMARY OF  
AN EXPERT WORKGROUP MEETING**

Oral Health During Pregnancy Expert Workgroup. 2012. *Oral Health Care During Pregnancy: A National Consensus Statement—Summary of an Expert Workgroup Meeting*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 19 pp.

This document presents a summary of an expert workgroup meeting held on October 18, 2011, in Washington, DC, convened by the Health Resources and Services Administration in collaboration with the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American Dental Association. The document provides guidance about oral health services for pregnant women for both prenatal care health professionals and oral health professionals and also discusses pharmacological considerations for pregnant women. Also included is guidance for health professionals to share with pregnant women (available as a separate handout). [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**ORAL HEALTH CARE DURING PREGNANCY:  
A RESOURCE GUIDE**

Bertness J, Holt K, eds. 2012. *Oral Health Care During Pregnancy: A Resource Guide*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 26 pp.

This resource guide provides information to help health professionals ensure that pregnant women receive optimal oral health services. The guide is divided into three sections. The first section lists journal articles appearing

in the peer-reviewed literature. The second section describes materials, including brochures and handouts, guidelines, meeting summaries, mobile services, policy briefs, program reports, tools, and webcasts and webinars. The third section lists federal agencies, national professional associations, resource centers, and national coalitions that may serve as resources. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**ORAL HEALTH CARE DURING THE PERINATAL PERIOD**

National Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition. 2012. *Oral Health Care During the Perinatal Period*. Alexandria, VA: National Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition.

This archived webcast, held on July 23, 2012, addresses oral health during pregnancy and the postpartum period. Topics include periodontal disease in mothers and children, barriers to care, and trauma care.

**Contact:** National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition, 4401 Ford Avenue, Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22302. Telephone: (703) 837-4792; fax: (703) 664-0485; e-mail: [info@hmhb.org](mailto:info@hmhb.org); website: <http://www.hmhb.org>. Available at <http://www.hmhb.org/mchwebinar.html>.

**ORAL HEALTH MATTERS**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2012. *Oral Health Matters*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. Quarterly.

This newsletter provides information on national, state, and local oral health activities as well as on educational materials and other resources. The fall 2012 issue offers information on state oral health plans and initiatives and resources from the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors' partners, including Oral Health America; the Head Start National Center on Health; and the Organization for Safety, Asepsis, and Prevention.



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**PREVENTING TOBACCO USE AMONG YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS: A REPORT OF THE SURGEON GENERAL**

Surgeon General. 2012. *Preventing Tobacco Use Among Youth and Young Adults: A Report of the Surgeon General*. Rockville, MD: Office of the Surgeon General. 899 pp., exec. summ. 11 pp.

This report provides information about the scientific evidence on smoking among adolescents and young adults. Topics include research on tobacco use related to diseases caused by early tobacco use, the addiction process, epidemiology, risk factors, the tobacco industry's influence, and prevention.

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**REFERENCE MANUAL**

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. 2012. Reference Manual. *Pediatric Dentistry* 34(6):1-367.

This manual contains reaffirmed, revised, and new definitions; policies; clinical guidelines; endorsements; and other practice-relevant resources related to the specialty of pediatric dentistry.

**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/policies>.

**SELECTING A SCHOOL-BASED ORAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR SCHOOL STAFF**

Michigan Dental Association, Seal! Michigan, Michigan Department of Community Health. 2012. *Selecting a School-Based Oral Health Care Program: Questions and Answers for School Staff*. Okemos, MI: Michigan Dental Association. 4 pp.

This handout provides guidance on choosing a school-based oral health program in Michigan. Topics include why it is important for school health programs to be community-focused and why community-based programs should be allowed to provide oral health services to students in schools. Additional topics include references, ownership, and funding; program eligibility, treatment options, follow-up and emergency care, and appointments; service location and equipment needs; supervision, quality assurance, informed consent, and referral; and data collection, record-keeping, and sharing of health information.

**Contact:** Michigan Dental Association, 3657 Okemos Road, Suite 200, Okemos, MI 48864. Telephone: (517) 372-9070; (800) 589-2632; fax: (517) 372-0008; website: <http://www.smilemichigan.com>. Available at <http://www.smilemichigan.com/Portals/0/PDFs/Classroom/Selecting%20School-Based%20Program.pdf>.

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**STUDY OF ALTERNATIVE DENTAL PROVIDERS: FIVE-STATE COMPARISON SUMMARY REPORT**

ECG Management Consultants. 2012. *Study of Alternative Dental Providers: Five-State Comparison Summary Report*. Seattle, WA: ECG Management Consultants. 18 pp.

This document presents findings from an assessment of the economic viability of alternative mid-level provider models for the provision of oral health care to underserved populations in five selected states (Connecticut, Kansas, Maine, New Hampshire, and Washington). Three alternative mid-level providers are discussed: dental therapists, dental health aide therapists, and advanced dental hygiene providers. Topics include the feasibility of each alternative provider for three payor-mix scenarios: public fee schedules, sliding fee schedules, and private fee schedules. An analysis of educational debt levels relative to compensation levels is also presented.

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### SURVEY OF ADVANCED DENTAL EDUCATION

American Dental Association. 2012. *Survey of Advanced Dental Education*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association Survey Center. 133 pp.

This report summarizes information from the annual survey of advanced dental education programs accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. Topics include characteristics of program directors; applications, enrollment, and graduates; stipends and tuition; methods of instruction; international graduates; and accredited and nonaccredited programs. Sample survey instruments are included.

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### VERMONT'S GUIDE TO FLUORIDE LEVELS IN PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS (REV.)

Vermont Department of Health. 2012. *Vermont's Guide to Fluoride Levels in Public Water Systems* (rev.). Burlington, VT: Vermont Department of Health, Office of Oral Health. 21 pp.

This guide is designed to help health professionals make decisions about the need for prescribing fluoride supplements for infants, children, and adolescents from birth to age 16. Contents include public water systems listed by town and level of fluoridation, a dietary-fluoride-supplement schedule, a discussion of health professional responsibilities, and an order form for testing fluoride in well water for families with infants and children under age 4.

**Contact:** Vermont Department of Health, Office of Oral Health, 108 Cherry Street, Burlington, VT 05402. Telephone: (802) 863-7200; (800) 464-4343; fax: (802) 865-7554; website: <http://healthvermont.gov/family/dental/services.aspx>. Available at [http://healthvermont.gov/family/dental/fluoride/documents/guide\\_to\\_fluoride\\_levels\\_in\\_public\\_water\\_systems.pdf](http://healthvermont.gov/family/dental/fluoride/documents/guide_to_fluoride_levels_in_public_water_systems.pdf).

### WASHINGTON STATE SCHOOL-BASED SEALANT AND FLUORIDE VARNISH PROGRAM GUIDELINES (3RD ED.)

Pyatt J, Spink D, Alves-Dunkerson J. 2012. *Washington State School-Based Sealant and Fluoride Varnish Program Guidelines* (3rd ed.). Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 63 pp.

These guidelines aim to facilitate the implementation of school-based dental-sealant and fluoride-varnish programs, including the provision of oral health screening and fluoride-varnish treatment for children residing in Washington. Topics include protocols and techniques, screening, infrastructure, Medicaid coverage and reimbursement, staffing, and other program operations. Appendices provide information on laws, checklists, forms, and supplies.

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### PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

#### ALASKA ORAL HEALTH PLAN: 2012–2016

Whistler BJ. 2012. *Alaska Oral Health Plan: 2012–2016*. Juneau, AK: Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Section of Women's, Children's and Family Health. 68 pp.

This document presents information on the status and burden of oral disease in Alaska, community water fluoridation, disparities in oral health, the oral health work force, infection-control guidelines, and the Alaska Oral Health Program and the Alaska Dental Action Coalition (ADAC). The document also highlights the goals, strategies, and recommendations developed by ADAC and stakeholders to address the oral health of Alaskans, disparities, and work force issues; provide access to evidence-based prevention approaches; and improve access to oral health care.

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**BEST PRACTICE APPROACH: PERINATAL ORAL HEALTH**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, Best Practices Committee. 2012. *Best Practice Approach: Perinatal Oral Health*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 26 pp.

This report provides information to help state, territorial, and community oral health programs develop perinatal oral health best practices within the context of their environments. It describes perinatal oral health and its significance, barriers to perinatal oral health care, a strategic framework for improving perinatal oral health, and related initiatives and coordinated efforts. Guidelines and recommendations, research evidence, best practice criteria, and state examples are included.

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**DENTAL HUB & SPOKE PROJECT LINKS KANSANS IN UNDERSERVED AREAS TO DENTAL CARE**

Sharpe BR. 2012. *Dental Hub & Spoke Project Links Kansans in Underserved Areas to Dental Care*. Washington, DC: Grantmakers In Health. 2 pp.

This document examines ways that oral health leaders can leverage the safety net health care infrastructure to provide services in underserved areas. The document describes a public-private partnership to produce sustainable investments to reduce oral health access barriers and work force shortages in Kansas. Topics include building a network, the Dental Hub and Spoke Model, return on investment, results, and lessons for foundations.

**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/files/FileDownloads/Linking\\_Dental\\_Care\\_REACH\\_Fdn\\_June%202012.pdf](http://www.gih.org/files/FileDownloads/Linking_Dental_Care_REACH_Fdn_June%202012.pdf).

**FIRST DENTAL VISIT BY AGE ONE**

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2012. *First Dental Visit by Age One*. Sparks, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 4 pp.

This policy statement outlines the problem of dental caries in young children and the recommendation for the first dental visit early in life. Topics include the timing and components of an infant oral health evaluation and program models for effectively providing risk assessment and preventive and restorative care.

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**IMPACT ON CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH IN ILLINOIS: AN INTERIM REPORT 2004-2010**

Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation. 2012. *Impact on Children's Oral Health in Illinois: An Interim Report 2004-2010*. Oak Brook, IL: Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation. 28 pp.

This report focuses on outputs of the Illinois Children's Health Foundation (ILCHF) grantmaking to increase access to oral health services for children in Illinois. Topics include the distribution of oral health funding, who received funding, coverage area of ILCHF funding in children's oral health, initial outputs of ILCHF funding, data elements collected, scope of services offered, community-level change, lessons learned, and goals for children's health funding. A call to action is included. The appendices contain summaries of key milestones and environmental influences for the period 2000-2011.

**Contact:** Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation, 1200 Jorie Boulevard, Suite 301, Oak Brook, IL 60523. Telephone: website: <http://www.ilchf.org>. Available at [http://www.ilchf.org/images/FINAL\\_ILCHF\\_oral\\_health\\_interim\\_report.pdf](http://www.ilchf.org/images/FINAL_ILCHF_oral_health_interim_report.pdf).

**MAKING MILWAUKEE SMILE: A REPORT ON EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE ORAL HEALTH OF MILWAUKEE CHILDREN 2011**

Children’s Health Alliance of Wisconsin. 2012. *Making Milwaukee Smile: A Report on Efforts to Improve the Oral Health of Milwaukee Children 2011*. Milwaukee, WI: Children’s Health Alliance of Wisconsin. 32 pp.

This report describes a 3-year project in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to reduce the proportion of children with urgent oral health needs, increase participation in school-based oral health programs, and increase the role of primary care health professionals in addressing oral disease. The project placed oral health care coordinators (OHCCs) in schools and trained primary care health professionals to perform oral health risk assessments, provide anticipatory guidance, and apply fluoride varnish. Report contents include a summary of the project’s development process, objectives, and evaluation methods; demographics and key findings; and project participants’ success stories. The appendix contains protocols and templates that OHCCs followed to achieve the objectives.

**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/oralhealth.htm>. Available at <http://www.chawisconsin.org/documents/MMSreport12.11.pdf>.

**PARTNERING TO SEAL-A-SMILE: A REPORT ON THE SUCCESS OF WISCONSIN SCHOOL-BASED DENTAL SEALANT PROGRAMS**

Crespin M, Eichenbaum A, Madormo C. 2012. *Partnering To Seal-a-Smile: A Report on the Success of Wisconsin School-Based Dental Sealant Programs*. Milwaukee, WI: Children’s Health Alliance of Wisconsin. 70 pp.

This report provides an overview of Wisconsin’s Seal-a-Smile program, including highlights of the program’s expansion and findings from data collected annually from 2005 to 2010, as well as data collected from other school-based programs. Topics include dental caries rates, children served, dental-sealant-retention rates, and other measures.

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231-4972; website: <http://www.chawisconsin.org/oralhealth.htm>. Available at <http://www.chawisconsin.org/documents/PartneringSealASmile2012.pdf>.

**UPDATE ON ORAL HEALTH SERVICES**

Tennessee Department of Health. 2012. *Update on Oral Health Services*. Nashville, TN: Tennessee Department of Health. 4 pp.

This annual report summarizes oral health services in Tennessee. Topics include the state’s fluoride-varnish initiative to prevent oral disease; services provided by public health dental clinic facilities, the School-Based Dental Prevention Project, and the mobile dental program; funding initiatives; and information dissemination. Data on the number of individuals served and the number of services provided by program are included.

**Contact:** Tennessee Department of Health, Oral Health Services, Cordell Hull Building, Third Floor, Nashville, TN 37243. Telephone: (615) 741-8618; (615) 741-3111; website: <http://health.state.tn.us/oralhealth/index.html>. Available at [http://health.state.tn.us/oralhealth/pdf/Oral\\_Health\\_TN\\_Dental\\_Assoc\\_Annual\\_Report.pdf](http://health.state.tn.us/oralhealth/pdf/Oral_Health_TN_Dental_Assoc_Annual_Report.pdf).

**PUBLIC EDUCATION**

**2013 NATIONAL CHILDREN’S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH CAMPAIGN**

American Dental Association. 2012. *2013 National Children’s Dental Health Month Campaign*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association, Division of Communications.

These campaign materials are designed to help oral health teams, teachers, and parents raise awareness about the importance of oral health during National Children’s Dental Health Month (February). Contents include a program-planning guide and posters and activity sheets in English and Spanish for children and adolescents. Publicity and presentation resources are also available from the website.

**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://www.ada.org/5578.aspx>.



**DENTAL CARE EVERY DAY: A CAREGIVER'S GUIDE**

National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 2012. *Dental Care Every Day: A Caregiver's Guide*. Bethesda, MD: National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. 12 pp.

This booklet for caregivers offers instruction on daily oral hygiene techniques for individuals with developmental disabilities. The booklet provides information and tips on toothbrushing and flossing, such as how to make a toothbrush easier to hold and where to stand or sit while brushing. Additional topics include the importance of regular dental visits and the caregiver's role in preparing for dental visits.

**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 no charge (limit 50 copies). Document code: NIH Pub. No. 12-5191. Also available at <http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/OralHealth/Topics/DevelopmentalDisabilities/DentalCareEveryDay.htm>.

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**HEALTHY SMILES, HEALTHY CHILDREN**

Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 2012. *Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children*. Des Moines, IA: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 2 pp.

This brochure for parents discusses the role of oral hygiene in children's oral health. Topics include primary and permanent teeth, plaque, gingivitis, tooth decay, snacks, fluoride, dental sealants, oral health care visits, and home hygiene. The brochure is available in English and Spanish.

**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 at <http://www.idph.state.ia.us/IDPHChannelsService/file.aspx?file=EFE8214D-CDD0-490F-A48D-4EE1EE4F9EF4>.

**TOBACCO AND ORAL HEALTH**

Quit Now Kentucky. 2012. *Tobacco and Oral Health*. Frankfort, KY: Kentucky Department for Public Health, Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Program. 1 p.

This fact sheet provides information on the adverse effects on oral health of smoking and using smokeless tobacco products. Additional topics include oral cancer and cessation services.

**Contact:** Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Office of the Secretary, 275 East Main Street, Frankfort, KY 40621. Telephone: (800) 372-2973; (800) 627-4702; website: <http://chfs.ky.gov>. Available at <http://chfs.ky.gov/NR/rdonlyres/C1DB480A-5293-4B86-85A2-DC806A98710C/0/TobaccoandOralHealth.pdf>.

**QUALITY ASSURANCE**

**ORAL HEALTH PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT: ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN, GAP ANALYSIS AND MEASURE TOPICS PRIORITIZATION—TECHNICAL REPORT**

National Quality Forum. 2012. *Oral Health Performance Measurement: Environmental Scan, Gap Analysis and Measure Topics Prioritization—Technical Report*. Washington, DC: National Quality Forum. 112 pp.

This report describes the state of oral-health-performance measurement. Topics include the degree to which existing measures are developed and implemented and how well they relate to established priority areas for oral health. The report specifically addresses the need for oral health performance measures that are applicable to oral-health-safety-net programs. Recommendations for oral-health-measure development and standardization are included.

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**QUALITY IMPROVEMENT IN CHILDREN'S ORAL  
HEALTH: MOVING FROM VOLUME TO VALUE**

National Maternal and Child Oral Health Policy Center. 2012. *Quality Improvement in Children's Oral Health: Moving from Volume to Value*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Policy Center. 16 pp.

This issue of *TrendNotes* provides an overview of opportunities to address quality measurement and accountability in the oral-health-care-delivery system with the goal of improving health outcomes for children and families. Topics include systems progress toward high-value care, key factors impacting quality efforts, a quality-improvement framework and activities in oral health care, national opportunities and initiatives to advance quality care for children, and implications for policy and practice. Federal measures of children's oral health are included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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