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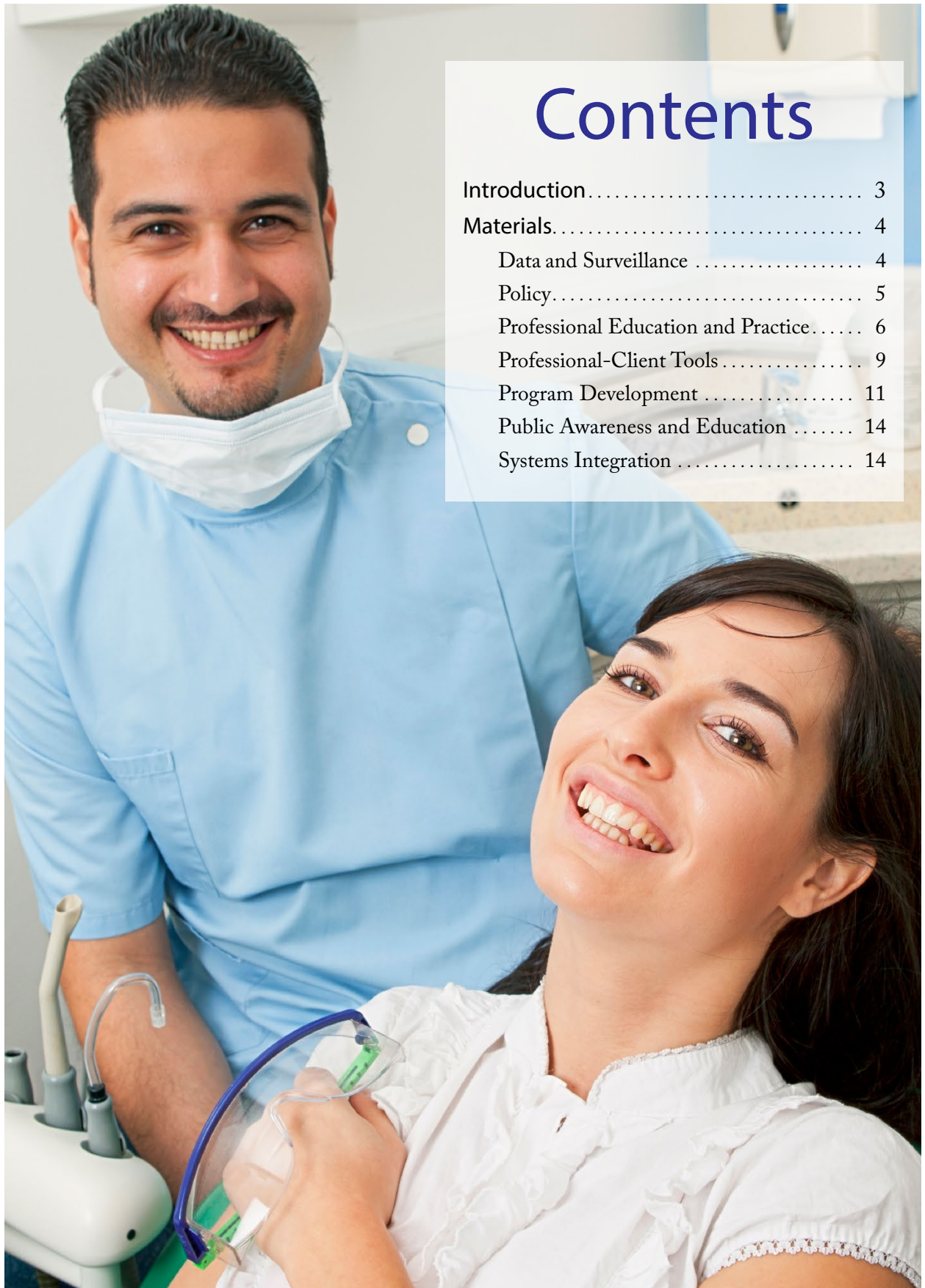
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# Introduction



The *Oral Health Resource Bulletin* is a periodic publication designed to stimulate thinking and creativity within the maternal and child health 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 National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center (OHRC) library.

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, policies, and reports are especially welcome. If you have any materials that you think might be of interest, please send a copy to

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# Materials

## Data and Surveillance

### MATERNAL CHARACTERISTICS OF PRENATAL WIC RECEIPT IN THE UNITED STATES, 2016

This report describes prenatal Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) receipt in the United States in 2016 by state and by maternal age, race and Hispanic origin, and education. For each topic, key points are provided, and bar graphs illustrate statistical information.

Driscoll AK, Osterman MJK. 2018. *Maternal Characteristics of Prenatal WIC Receipt in the United States, 2016*. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 7 pp. [https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/data\\_briefs/db298.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/data_briefs/db298.pdf)

### MI HEAD START SMILES 2017–2018: THE ORAL HEALTH OF MICHIGAN'S HEAD START CHILDREN

This document discusses the oral health status of a representative sample of children enrolled in Head Start throughout Michigan. The document provides an overview of the importance of oral health for children and dental benefits available to children in the state who are Medicaid recipients. Key findings about children enrolled in Head Start in Michigan are presented in five topic areas: decay experience, untreated decay, need for urgent oral health care, dental sealants, and prevalence of tooth decay and of dental sealants among children ages 3–5 enrolled in Head Start in Michigan compared to all U.S. children in this age range.

Phipps K. 2018. *MI Head Start Smiles 2017–2018: The Oral Health of Michigan's Head Start Children*. Lansing, MI: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. 25 pp. [https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdhhs/Head\\_Start\\_Smiles\\_Report\\_2017\\_633306\\_7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdhhs/Head_Start_Smiles_Report_2017_633306_7.pdf)

### NORTH CAROLINA ORAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE PLAN 2016–2020: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This document presents a surveillance plan for the North Carolina Division of Public Health, Oral Health Section. Topics include (1) the section's purpose and objectives; (2) oral health indicators that the plan defines and prioritizes, including access to oral health care, oral health outcomes, community intervention, and infrastructure; and (3) a timeline and activities plan.

North Carolina Division of Public Health, Oral Health Section. 2016. *North Carolina Oral Health Surveillance Plan 2016–2020: Executive Summary*. Raleigh, NC: North Carolina Division of Public Health, Oral Health Section. 5 pp. [https://publichealth.nc.gov/oralhealth/library/includes/OHS\\_Surveillance\\_Plan%20Executive%20Summary%202016.pdf](https://publichealth.nc.gov/oralhealth/library/includes/OHS_Surveillance_Plan%20Executive%20Summary%202016.pdf)

### ORAL HEALTH DURING PREGNANCY

This infographic summarizes results of a survey focusing on oral health during pregnancy administered to oral health professionals (dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants) in Maine in 2016. It provides information about the percentage of respondents who agreed that women should receive preventive oral health care and that it is safe to take X-rays during pregnancy. The infographic also provides information on the percentage of respondents who use the prenatal visit to provide anticipatory guidance about oral health care to pregnant women and respondents who believe there are restrictions on providing oral health treatment to pregnant women. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

MaineHealth. 2017. *Oral Health During Pregnancy*. Portland, ME: Before the First Tooth. 1 p. <http://www.mchoralhealth.org/pdfs/38354.pdf>

## THE ORAL HEALTH OF MICHIGAN'S 3–5 YEAR OLD HEAD START CHILDREN COMPARED TO 3–5 YEAR OLD CHILDREN IN THE GENERAL U.S. POPULATION

This brief provides information from the 2017 Michigan Head Start Smiles survey, a statewide oral health survey of preschool children enrolled in Head Start in Michigan. The brief provides information about prevalence of tooth decay experience, prevalence of untreated decay, need for treatment, and oral health disparities. Tables presenting statistical data are included.

Phipps K. 2018. *The Oral Health of Michigan's 3–5 Year Old Head Start Children Compared to 3–5 Year Old Children in the General U.S. Population*. Lansing, MI: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. 5 pp. [https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdhhs/Head\\_Start\\_Smiles\\_Data\\_Brief\\_2018\\_633309\\_7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdhhs/Head_Start_Smiles_Data_Brief_2018_633309_7.pdf)

## SUMMARY REPORT: 2018 SYNOPSES OF STATE DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS—DATA FOR FY 2016–2017

This report summarizes the results of a 2018 study examining the status of state oral health programs during the 2016–2017 fiscal year. Topics include demographics, state infrastructure, work force, administration, and oral health programs funded or operated by states.

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2018. *Summary Report: 2018 Synopses of State Dental Public Health Programs—Data for FY 2016–2017*. Reno, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 13 pp. <https://www.astdd.org/docs/synopses-summary-report-2018.pdf>

## TREATING PAIN IS NOT ENOUGH: WHY STATES' EMERGENCY DENTAL BENEFITS FALL SHORT

This document presents information from a survey conducted by Families USA of 14 states that cover emergency-only oral health services. Selected topics include what can be learned from states that offer emergency-only coverage, how responding states' dental benefits differ, states in which managed-care plans provide adults with extra offerings, costs to states of paying for emergency department visits when appropriate oral

health services are not available, the limited availability of alternative oral health care resources for adults, and the inadequacy of emergency-only dental care for individuals with serious medical conditions.

Fish-Parcham C. 2018. *Treating Pain Is Not Enough: Why States' Emergency Dental Benefits Fall Short*. Washington, DC: Families USA. 12 pp. [https://familiesusa.org/sites/default/files/product\\_documents/OH\\_Emergency-Oral-Health\\_Issue-Brief.pdf](https://familiesusa.org/sites/default/files/product_documents/OH_Emergency-Oral-Health_Issue-Brief.pdf)

## Policy

### DENTAL SEALANT PROGRAMS: COST EFFECTIVE CAVITY PREVENTION

This report provides information about the oral health status of children in Minnesota and dental sealant programs in the state. It discusses oral health disparities among children in Minnesota and the cost-effectiveness of dental sealant programs for preventing tooth decay. It offers data on dental sealant use in Minnesota and explains what the state can do to decrease the prevalence of tooth decay in children.

Minnesota Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 2017. *Dental Sealant Programs: Cost Effective Cavity Prevention*. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Department of Health, Oral Health Program. 3 pp. <https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/comm/docs/3d0c09b6-722d-4c3b-846c-c117eb3a4b39.pdf>

### IMPROVING ACCESS TO DENTAL SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

This report analyzes the extent to which oral health services are available and sufficient for individuals with developmental disabilities. The report provides background information and discusses problems with access to oral health services for this population, steps taken to address the problem, and causes of the problem. Recommendations for improving access are provided.

Petek S, Metzker B. 2018. *Improving Access to Dental Services for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities*. Sacramento, CA: California Legislative Analyst's Office. 38 pp. [https://lao.ca.gov/Publications/Report/3884?utm\\_source=laowww&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=3884](https://lao.ca.gov/Publications/Report/3884?utm_source=laowww&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=3884)

## IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN RURAL AMERICA: POLICY BRIEF AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This brief provides information about the state of oral health in rural America. It explains why improving access to oral health care in rural communities is important; provides background information; discusses barriers to accessing oral health care in rural communities, federal efforts, and policy considerations; and offers policy recommendations.

National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services. 2018. *Improving Oral Health Care Services in Rural America: Policy Brief and Recommendations*. Rockville, MD: Health Resources and Services Administration. 19 pp. <https://www.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/hrsa/advisory-committees/rural/publications/2018-Oral-Health-Policy-Brief.pdf>

## MEDICAID ADULT DENTAL BENEFITS: AN OVERVIEW (UPDATE)

This fact sheet identifies key challenges related to oral health care access and utilization for adults with low incomes, including pregnant women, and outlines states' coverage of dental benefits for adults who participate in Medicaid. It also suggests opportunities for states to increase oral health care coverage and access for this population. The fact sheet includes an overview of Medicaid adult dental benefits.

Center for Health Care Strategies. 2018. *Medicaid Adult Dental Benefits: An Overview* (update). Hamilton, NJ: Center for Health Care Strategies. 2 pp. [https://www.chcs.org/media/Adult-Oral-Health-Fact-Sheet\\_011618.pdf](https://www.chcs.org/media/Adult-Oral-Health-Fact-Sheet_011618.pdf)

## STATE DENTAL SCREENING LAWS FOR CHILDREN: EXAMINING THE TREND AND IMPACT

This report documents whether state dental screening laws have expanded since the original report was published in 2008 and the degree to which these laws are advancing broader goals to improve access to oral health care and reduce oral disease. The report provides background information on how dental screening laws can serve as a policy approach to ensure that children are ready for school, discusses methods and results, and offers a discussion and recommendations.

Children's Dental Health Project. 2019. *State Dental Screening Laws for Children: Examining the Trend and Impact*. Washington, DC: Children's Dental Health Project. 18 pp. <https://www.cdhp.org/resources/341-state-dental-screening-laws-for-children-examining-the-trend-and-impact>

## Professional Education and Practice

### ADDRESSING TOBACCO IN DENTAL SETTINGS: A RESOURCE FOR DENTAL PROFESSIONALS

This document provides information on screening for tobacco use, counseling, and exposure to tobacco during dental visits. The document explains why addressing tobacco use and exposure is important and provides guidelines for how to screen and provide counseling in 1–3 minutes using the 5As protocol (ask, advise, assess, assist, arrange). Tobacco and oral health facts are also provided.

American Academy of Pediatrics. 2018. *Addressing Tobacco in Dental Settings: A Resource for Dental Professionals*. Itasca, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics. 4 pp. [https://ilikemyteeth.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/tobacco-resource-for-physicians\\_v5a.pdf](https://ilikemyteeth.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/tobacco-resource-for-physicians_v5a.pdf)

### APPLYING CONSULTATION SKILLS TO ORAL HEALTH PROMOTION

This video provides information about how successful consultation strategies can help child care health consultants address children's oral health in Head Start and other early childhood education and care programs. The video discusses why good oral health in early childhood is important and describes a scenario in which a child care health consultant advises teachers in a Head Start program on how to identify whether a child with behavior issues may have an underlying health problem—specifically, an oral health problem—and how they can address the child's oral health.

National Center on Early Childhood Health and Wellness. 2018. *Applying Consultation Skills to Oral Health Promotion*. Itasca, IL: National Center on Early Childhood Health and Wellness. 1 video (1:40 min.). <https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/oral-health/learning-module/applying-consultation-skills-oral-health-promotion>

## BASIC EXPECTATIONS FOR SAFE CARE TRAINING MODULES

This training series covers the principles of infection prevention and control that form the basis of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendations for oral health settings. The series is divided into 10 modules. The module series covers the following topics: introduction, hand hygiene, personal protective equipment, respiratory hygiene and cough etiquette, sharps safety, safe injection practices, sterilization and disinfection, environmental infection prevention and control, dental unit water quality, and program evaluation. Each module includes a slide set and speaker notes.

National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health. 2018. *Basic Expectations for Safe Care Training Modules*. Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 10 modules. <https://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/infectioncontrol/safe-care-modules.htm>

## CANCER PREVENTION THROUGH HPV VACCINATION: AN ACTION GUIDE FOR DENTAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

This guide provides information about how oral health professionals can help prevent cancer by referring patients for the human papillomavirus vaccination. The guide describes the problem and a solution. It also outlines steps for oral health professionals for preventing cancer, referring patients, collaborating with others, and creating a pro-immunization environment.

National HPV Vaccination Roundtable. 2018. *Cancer Prevention Through HPV Vaccination: An Action Guide for Dental Health Care Providers*. Atlanta, GA: National HPV Vaccination Roundtable. 8 pp. <http://hpvroundtable.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/DENTAL-Action-Guide-WEB.pdf>

## CHECKLIST FOR CHILD CARE STAFF: BEST PRACTICES FOR GOOD ORAL HEALTH

This checklist provides items that child care program staff can check to reflect what they are doing to promote good oral health for infants, toddlers, and young children. Items not checked can serve as goals to help staff work toward improving their practices related to food and drinks and oral hygiene. The checklist is divided into three main categories: infants from birth to age 1, toddlers ages 1–3, and young children ages 3–5. Within each category, items to check are listed in two sub-categories: foods and drinks and oral hygiene. The checklist is written in simple language.

Holt K, Lowe B. 2019. *Checklist for Child Care Staff: Best Practices for Good Oral Health*. Itasca, IL: National Center for Early Childhood Health and Wellness. 4 pp. <https://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/ChecklistChildCareStaff.pdf>

## DENTAL CARE DURING INFANCY, EARLY CHILDHOOD, AND PREGNANCY

This handout provides information about services offered by Children's Dental Services (CDS), a program that offers full-spectrum preventive and restorative oral health care to families at Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) centers and 500 other locations across Minnesota. The handout also discusses why oral health care during infancy, early childhood, and pregnancy is important and the safety of receiving oral health care during pregnancy. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Children's Dental Services. 2017. *Dental Care During Infancy, Early Childhood, and Pregnancy*. Minneapolis, MN: Children's Dental Services. 2 pp. <http://childrensdentalservices.org/wp-content/themes/blankslate/documents/WIC%20Brochure.pdf>

## ORAL HEALTH CARE DURING PREGNANCY: NORTH CAROLINA COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE FRAMEWORK

This document, which was adapted from *Oral Health Care During Pregnancy: A National Consensus Statement*, contains guidance on oral health care for pregnant women for both prenatal care health professionals and oral health professionals, pharmacological



considerations for pregnant women, and guidance for health professionals to share with pregnant women. Selected topics include assessing women's oral health status, advising pregnant women about oral health care, working in collaboration with other health professionals, providing support services to pregnant women, improving health services in the community, and advising women about oral health care.

North Carolina Division of Public Health, Oral Health Section. 2018. *Oral Health Care During Pregnancy: North Carolina Collaborative Practice Framework*. Raleigh, NC: North Carolina Division of Public Health, Oral Health Section. 7 pp. <https://publichealth.nc.gov/oralhealth/docs/NCOH-PracticeGuidelines-Revised120618-WEB.PDF>

## ORAL HEALTH CONVENING FOCUSING ON CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS

This document provides information about the Oral Health Convening Focusing on Children with Special Health Care Needs conducted by the Georgetown University (GU) Health Justice Alliance and the George E. Richmond Foundation on March 18, 2018, in Washington, DC. The convening brought together a multidisciplinary group of key stakeholders to share their expertise and insights related to how to improve the oral health of children with special health care needs (CSHCN) in Washington, DC, and identify policy solutions to improve access to oral health care for CSHCN. The document provides background information about oral health and CSHCN and includes a description of each panel session and breakout session.

Georgetown University Health Justice Alliance. 2018. *Oral Health Convening Focusing on Children with Special Health Care Needs*. Washington, DC: O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law. 36 pp. [https://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/OralHealth\\_Convening\\_Focusing\\_CSHCN.pdf](https://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/OralHealth_Convening_Focusing_CSHCN.pdf)

## ORAL HEALTH DURING PREGNANCY: ORAL HEALTH'S UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

This brief outlines challenges that the oral health community has encountered in ensuring that pregnant women have good oral health and offers starting points for overcoming these challenges. The brief provides background on the importance of oral health

during pregnancy, presents four overarching unanswered questions related to pregnant women's oral health, discusses hurdles to getting care and the need for change, and offers a call to action.

Children's Dental Health Project. 2018. *Oral Health During Pregnancy: Oral Health's Unanswered Questions*. Washington, DC: Children's Dental Health Project. 11 pp. <https://www.cdhp.org/resources/339-issue-brief-oral-health-during-pregnancy>

## OREGON PREGNANCY AND OPIOIDS WORKGROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

This document provides recommendations for the management of opioid use for pregnant women, including pregnant women with opioid-use disorder, and for care of the opioid-exposed newborn. Topics include clinical recommendations, health-systems and policy recommendations, definitions, and resources and collaborative approaches.

Oregon Pregnancy and Opioids Workgroup. 2018. *Oregon Pregnancy and Opioids Workgroup Recommendations*. Salem, OR: Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division. 27 pp. <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/PREVENTIONWELLNESS/SUBSTANCEUSE/OPIOIDS/Documents/Oregon-Pregnancy-and-Opioids-Recommendations.pdf>

## PRESCRIBING OPIOIDS FOR WOMEN OF REPRODUCTIVE AGE: INFORMATION FOR DENTISTS

This document provides an overview of pain management for dental procedures for women of reproductive age and discusses pharmacological considerations for pregnant women (pharmaceutical agents and indications, contraindications, and special considerations), neonatal opioid withdrawal syndrome, guidelines for providing opioids, managing acute dental pain, and guidelines for discharging women with opioid prescriptions. Information about prescription drug monitoring programs is included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Barzel R, Holt K, Kolo S. 2018. *Prescribing Opioids for Women of Reproductive Age: Information for Dentists*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 4 pp. <https://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/prescribing-opioids.pdf>

## PROMOTING ORAL HEALTH IN YOUNG CHILDREN: A RESOURCE GUIDE (2ND ED.)

This resource guide provides information for health professionals to assist them in planning, developing, and implementing efforts to ensure that children receive optimal oral health care. The resource guide describes materials, including brochures, fact sheets, guides, manuals, and reports as well as federal agencies, resource centers, and national professional associations that may serve as resources. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Holt K, Barzel R, eds. 2018. *Promoting Oral Health in Young Children: A Resource Guide* (2nd ed.). Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 24 pp. <https://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/resguideyoungchildren.pdf>

## REPORT ON PROGRESS TOWARDS THE 2018 MILESTONES

This report presents Oral Health Progress and Equity Network (OPEN)—a network working toward framing oral health as health and focusing on oral health across the lifespan—2018 milestones set to serve as indicators of progress toward fulfillment of its 2020 targets. The report discusses the importance of each target to achieving oral health and overall health across the lifespan and describes progress toward each milestone. The report also includes an introduction to OPEN, discusses methodology, and presents findings of the 2018 milestone assessment in the following areas: children, schools, Medicare, Medicaid, measurement, person-centered care, and public perception.

Chazin S, Bond M. 2018. *Report on Progress Towards the 2018 Milestones*. No place: Oral Health Progress and Equity Network. 61 pp. <http://www.oralhealth.network/d/do/1092>

## SILVER DIAMINE FLUORIDE (SDF) APPLICATION: EVIDENCE-BASED RECOMMENDATIONS

This video presents recommendations from the 2018 American Dental Association clinical practice guideline on nonrestorative treatments, including silver diamine fluoride (SDF), for carious lesions. The safety of SDF is discussed, along with the scientific evidence and recommendations for its use. Guidance for

dentists on how to using a risk-assessment approach to determine whether the use of SDF is appropriate for patients is provided, along with guidance on how to talk to patients about use of SDF and other treatment options. A four-step process for applying SDF is included, along with guidance on how to determine whether reapplication is needed.

American Dental Association. 2018. *Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF) Application: Evidence-Based Recommendations*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 1 video (5:36 min.). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a0HH7GifdM4&feature=youtu.be>

## SPECIAL CARE: AN ORAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL'S GUIDE TO SERVING CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS

This curriculum provides oral health professionals with information about children with special health care needs and oral health, oral health supervision, prevention of oral disease, and behavior guidance. The curriculum can help fulfill dental education and dental hygiene education program requirements on the management and treatment of patients with special health care needs. The curriculum can be taken for continuing education credit at no charge or for no credit (self-assessment). [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 2018. *Special Care: An Oral Health Professional's Guide to Serving Children with Special Health Care Needs*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 1 v. <https://www.mchoralhealth.org/SpecialCare>

## Professional-Client Tools

### FEBRUARY IS NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

These materials are designed to help health professionals and educators raise awareness about the importance of oral health during National Children's Dental Health Month (February). The 2019 campaign slogan is "Brush and clean in between to build a healthy smile." Contents include a

program-planning guide, press releases, broadcasting tips, sample newspaper articles, posters, and activity sheets in English and Spanish for children and adolescents.

American Dental Association. 2018. *February Is National Children's Dental Health Month*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association, Division of Communications. Multiple items. <http://www.ada.org/en/public-programs/national-childrens-dental-health-month>

## FLUORIDE

This paper for Head Start staff provides information about how fluoride can prevent tooth decay in children and pregnant women and how people receive fluoride. The paper discusses Head Start program policies and procedures related to fluoride and provides tips for working with families to help them understand the importance of fluoride in preventing tooth decay and how to use fluoride correctly. Fluoride facts, a graphic showing appropriate amounts of toothpaste to use for infants and children, and information that can be included in a Head Start program's family newsletter are included.

National Center on Early Childhood Health and Wellness. 2018. *Fluoride*. Itasca, IL: National Center on Early Childhood Health and Wellness. 7 pp. <https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/publication/fluoride>

## ORAL HEALTH TOOLKIT

This toolkit provides oral health resources that health professionals can share with pregnant women. The resources, which include a brochure, a poster, two infographics, and a video, are available in English and Spanish. The resources offer information about where to obtain oral health care by state and about how to care for gums and teeth during pregnancy and infancy.

American Academy of Pediatrics. 2018. *Oral Health Toolkit*. Itasca, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics. Multiple items. <https://www.aap.org/en-us/about-the-aap/aap-press-room/campaigns/tiny-teeth/Pages/default.aspx>

## THANKS FOR PROTECTING US 2

This video discusses the importance of healthy primary teeth to children's overall health and how non-oral-health professionals can play a role in preventing oral disease in infants and young children by administering fluoride varnish as soon as the first tooth emerges. The video also discusses other ways that non-oral-health professionals can encourage good oral health at well-child visits, including providing information about toothbrushing, proper use of bottles, good nutrition, how to establish a dental home, and the importance of establishing a dental home.

Maine Health Educational Services. 2018. *Thanks for Protecting Us 2*. No place: Maine Health Educational Services. 1 video (3:24 min.). [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NlbIy\\_2M3Dk&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NlbIy_2M3Dk&feature=youtu.be)

## TOBACCO CESSATION RESOURCE TOOLKIT FOR ORAL HEALTH PROVIDERS

This toolkit is intended to assist oral health professionals in Georgia with helping their patients, especially pregnant women, quit smoking. It provides information about why smoking during pregnancy is harmful and how oral health professionals can contribute to helping women quit. The toolkit provides information about the 5As protocol (ask, advise, assess, assist, arrange) for helping patients quit smoking and offers detailed guidelines for how to implement the protocol with patients in a short timeframe. A table explaining how to use diagnostic codes to apply for reimbursement for tobacco-cessation counseling is included.

Georgia Tobacco Use Prevention Program. 2018. *Tobacco Cessation Resource Toolkit for Oral Health Providers*. Atlanta, GA: Georgia Tobacco Use Prevention Program. 25 pp. <https://dph.georgia.gov/sites/dph.georgia.gov/files/ChronicDisease/Tobacco%20Oral%20Health%20Toolkit.Letter.Compiled%5B1%5D.pdf>

# Program Development

## 2017–2022 TEXAS STATE HEALTH PLAN: A PROPOSAL FOR ENSURING HIGH-QUALITY HEALTH CARE FOR ALL TEXANS

This plan identifies challenges in ensuring that Texans have access to health services, including oral health services; that services are provided in an efficient and orderly manner; and that an ample health care work force exists to provide these services. Additionally, the plan addresses the need for robust primary care and mental health systems in the state. The plan offers strategies to improve the efficiency of the state's health-care-delivery system, address shortcomings in its payment system, produce more health professionals in areas of need, and heighten satisfaction with the system.

Texas Statewide Health Coordinating Council. 2016. *2017–2022 Texas State Health Plan: A Proposal for Ensuring High-Quality Health Care for All Texans*. Austin, TX: Texas Department of State Health Services. 100 pp. <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/ConsumerandExternalAffairs/legislative/2017Reports/State-Health-Plan-Implement2017.pdf>

## 2019–2020 UPDATE TO THE TEXAS STATE HEALTH PLAN

This update to the Texas state health plan, which provides guidance on how to achieve a high-quality, efficient health system that serves the needs of all Texans, focuses on health literacy, availability of clinical training sites, oral health, and trauma care. Each section of the update discusses improving access to health care, ensuring quality in the health care system, and strengthening the system by ensuring a robust health care work force.

Texas Statewide Health Coordinating Council. 2018. *2019–2020 Update to the Texas State Health Plan*. Austin, TX: Texas Statewide Health Coordinating Council. 58 pp. <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/legislative/2018-Reports/2019-20StateHealthPlan.pdf>

## BEST PRACTICE APPROACH REPORT: USE OF FLUORIDE IN SCHOOLS (UPDATE)

This report focuses on best practices for the use of fluoride in schools. It discusses fluoride as a measure to prevent tooth decay in children, different types of programs that provide fluoride to children, and different forms of fluoride. Evidence for the efficacy of fluoride in preventing tooth decay and best practice criteria are provided. The report also includes state practice examples.

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2018. *Best Practice Approach Report: Use of Fluoride in Schools* (update). Reno, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 24 pp. <https://www.astdd.org/docs/final-approved-fluoride-in-schools-bpar-july-2018.pdf>

## THE HRSA STRATEGY TO ADDRESS INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE 2017–2020

This document presents the Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA's) Office of Women's Health's agency-wide collaborative initiative that puts into practice a strategy to address intimate partner violence (IPV). The document is organized into four priority areas describing how HRSA employees can address IPV: (1) train the health care and public health work force to address IPV, (2) develop partnerships, (3) increase access to high-quality IPV-informed health care, and (4) address gaps in knowledge about IPV. For each priority area, objectives, activities, and key outcomes are presented, and lead agencies and collaborators are identified.

Health Resources and Services Administration, Office of Women's Health. 2017. *The HRSA Strategy to Address Intimate Partner Violence 2017–2020*. Rockville, MD: Health Resources and Services Administration, Office of Women's Health. 53 pp. <https://www.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/hrsa/HRSA-strategy-intimate-partner-violence.pdf>

## INFLUENCING THE DENTAL WORKFORCE IN ILLINOIS: A CASE STUDY OF THE ILLINOIS CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION PIPELINE PROJECT

This report discusses the impact of the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation Pipeline Project—a multi-year initiative funding two Illinois public dental schools, with the goals of increasing the number of dentists who provide oral health care to all children and who work in underserved communities. The report focuses on how well the project met its goals and also outlines implications for future efforts. Topics include findings, the program's influence on students, students' learning experience, extramural sites' experience, implementation, and sustainability.

George C, Rojek M, Luetkemeier M. 2017. *Influencing the Dental Workforce in Illinois: A Case Study of the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation Pipeline Project*. Oak Brook, IL: Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation. 66 pp. <https://ilchf.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/ILCHF-Dental-Pipeline.pdf>

## INSIDE I-SMILE™

This report provides information about I-Smile, Iowa's oral health program initiative for children. The report offers background information and includes information on I-Smile results; the number of children from birth through age 12 who are Medicaid recipients and who received oral health services in 2005, 2011, and 2016; and additional statistical information related to Medicaid and children's receipt of oral health services in Iowa.

Rodgers T, Schowalter B, Meister S. 2018. *Inside I-Smile™*. Des Moines, IA: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Oral and Health Delivery Systems. Annual. [https://idph.iowa.gov/Portals/1/userfiles/34/ohc\\_reports/inside\\_i-smile\\_2017.pdf](https://idph.iowa.gov/Portals/1/userfiles/34/ohc_reports/inside_i-smile_2017.pdf)

## PENNSYLVANIA ORAL HEALTH PLAN 2017–2020

This plan is intended to serve as a blueprint for how efforts by multiple stakeholders, resources, and interests can be combined to strengthen Pennsylvania's capacity to prevent oral disease and to help individuals with oral disease achieve good oral health. The purpose and development of the plan, goals and priorities, and the methodology are discussed. Other

topics include risk factors for oral disease in Pennsylvania, access to care, work force development, oral health infrastructure, and plan implementation and evaluation.

Pennsylvania Department of Health. 2018. *Pennsylvania Oral Health Plan 2017–2020*. Harrisburg, PA: Pennsylvania Department of Health. 75 pp. <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/Documents/Programs/2017-2020PennsylvaniaOralHealthPlan.pdf>

## THE ROAD TO ORAL HEALTH EQUITY IN NORTH CAROLINA

This newsletter issue highlights activities and research related to overcoming oral health disparities in North Carolina. Topics include the road to health equity in North Carolina, launching the next century of dental public health in North Carolina, addressing children's oral health, the oral health and overall health connection, advancing oral health through education and treatment, the need to diversify the oral health workforce, and overcoming oral health obstacles.

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Oral Health Section; North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities. 2018. *The Road to Oral Health Equity in North Carolina*. Raleigh, NC: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities. 20 pp. <https://publichealth.nc.gov/oralhealth/docs/OralHealth-Newsletter-092418-WEB.pdf>

## SCHOOL-BASED DENTAL SEALANT PROGRAM MANUAL

This manual provides professional recommendations and states' expectations for school-based dental sealant programs under the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). Contents include local program operations, regulatory compliance, compliance with ODH policies, sealant program eligibility, sample program forms, clinical materials and methods, retention checks, Medicaid billing and collection, reimbursement guidelines, health professional enrollment, filing claims, performance benchmarks and performance standards, reporting, ODH program reviews, and compliance with other ODH requirements. The appendices contain sample forms, records, letters, and other practice-related materials.

Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Maternal, Child, and Family Health. 2018. *School-Based Dental Sealant Program Manual*. Columbus, OH: Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Maternal, Child, and Family Health. 47 pp. <https://www.astdd.org/docs/ohio-dental-sealant-manual-february-2018.pdf>

## SCHOOL-BASED DENTAL SEALANT PROGRAMS (2ND ED.)

This curriculum is designed to provide school-based dental sealant program (SBSP) staff with an understanding of the history, operations, and principles of SBSPs funded by the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). Contents include guidelines for infection control and information about tooth selection and assessment for sealants; the sealant-application process; and SBSP operations, with an emphasis on requirements that apply to programs funded by ODH. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Barzel R, Holt K, Kolo S, Siegal M, eds. 2018. *School-Based Dental Sealant Programs* (2nd ed.). Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 1 v. <https://www.mchoralhealth.org/Dental-Sealant>

## STRENGTHEN THE EVIDENCE BASE FOR MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS: NPM 13A: ORAL HEALTH IN PREGNANCY

This brief identifies evidence-informed strategies for state Title V programs to consider to increase the percentage of women who had a dental visit during pregnancy. Contents include information about the evidence continuum and the approach to the review, including examples of each type of intervention and its evidence rating; key findings; and implications. The full review is also available. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Women's and Children's Health Policy Center. 2017. *Strengthen the Evidence Base for Maternal and Child Health Programs: NPM 13A: Oral Health in Pregnancy*. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Women's and Children's Health Policy Center. 3 pp. [https://www.mchevidence.org/documents/reviews/npm\\_13a\\_oral\\_health\\_in\\_pregnancy\\_brief\\_june\\_2017.pdf](https://www.mchevidence.org/documents/reviews/npm_13a_oral_health_in_pregnancy_brief_june_2017.pdf)

## STRENGTHEN THE EVIDENCE BASE FOR MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS: NPM 13B: ORAL HEALTH IN CHILDHOOD

This brief identifies evidence-informed strategies for state Title V programs to consider to increase the percentage of infants and children ages 1–17 who had a preventive dental visit in the last year. Contents include information about the evidence continuum and the approach to the review, including examples of each type of intervention and its evidence rating; key findings; and implications. The full review is also available. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Women's and Children's Health Policy Center. 2017. *Strengthen the Evidence Base for Maternal and Child Health Programs: NPM 13B: Oral Health in Childhood*. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Women's and Children's Health Policy Center. 4 pp. [https://www.mchevidence.org/documents/reviews/npm\\_13b\\_oral\\_health\\_in\\_childhood\\_brief\\_august\\_2017.pdf](https://www.mchevidence.org/documents/reviews/npm_13b_oral_health_in_childhood_brief_august_2017.pdf)

## STRENGTHENING STATE EFFORTS RELATED TO TITLE V MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PERFORMANCE MEASURE 13 (ORAL HEALTH)

The document provides background information about national performance measure (NPM) 13, the Maternal and Child Health Bureau's oral health NPM. The document includes two strategies related to NPM 13A (the percentage of women who had a dental visit during pregnancy) and two related to NPM 13B (the percentage of children and adolescents ages 1–17 who had a preventive dental visit in the last year) that states can use to address this performance measure. For each strategy, sample evidence-based or evidence-informed strategy measures, possible data sources, justification for the strategy, and resources to support these efforts are noted. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center and Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2017. *Strengthening State Efforts Related to Title V Maternal and Child Health Performance Measure 13 (Oral Health)*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 8 pp. [https://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/NPM13\\_StrengthenStateEfforts.pdf](https://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/NPM13_StrengthenStateEfforts.pdf)

# Public Awareness and Education

## COMMON QUESTIONS ABOUT FLUORIDE: A RESOURCE FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

This document for parents and other caregivers provides answers to common questions about the benefits and safety of fluoride. Topics include fluoride in community water systems, fluoridated toothpaste, and infant formula preparation. Questions about fluoride and bottled water, cancer, and fluorosis are addressed. The document is available in English and Spanish. A companion guide for health professionals is also available.

American Academy of Pediatrics, Campaign for Dental Health and National Network for Oral Health Access. 2014, 2018. *Common Questions About Fluoride: A Resource for Parents and Caregivers*. Elk Grove Village, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics, Campaign for Dental Health. 2 pp. <https://ilikemyteeth.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/CommonQuestionsAboutFluoride.pdf>

## WHITE PAPER: OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH AND CHRONIC DISEASE PROGRAM COLLABORATION AND MEDICAL-DENTAL INTEGRATION

This paper discusses missed opportunities resulting from state oral health programs' and chronic-disease-prevention programs' failure to make connections between oral health and chronic-disease-prevention interventions and health-promotion messages. The paper presents the problem, offers a framework for these programs to use in planning how to integrate oral-health-promotion strategies into chronic-disease and health-promotion initiatives, and provides examples of states that have tested innovative approaches to building communication between oral health and chronic-disease-prevention program staff.

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2018. *White Paper: Opportunities for Improving Oral Health and Chronic Disease Program Collaboration and Medical-Dental Integration*. Reno, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 7 pp. <https://www.astdd.org/docs/opportunities-for-improving-oh-and-cd-integration-white-paper.pdf>

# Systems Integration

## INTEGRATION OF ORAL HEALTH AND PRIMARY CARE: COMMUNICATION, COORDINATION, AND REFERRAL

This paper discusses challenges in integrating primary care and oral health care for populations with low health literacy. The paper provides background on the issues and focuses on weaknesses in the areas of communication, coordination, and referral. Specific topics include referral networks, risk management, clinical referral guidelines, performance measures, electronic tools and integrated health records, interprofessional education and collaborative practice, research, and demonstration programs. Examples and potential solutions are presented.

Atchison KA, Rozier RG, Weintraub JA. 2018. *Integration of Oral Health and Primary Care: Communication, Coordination, and Referral*. Washington, DC: National Academy of Medicine. 12 pp. <https://nam.edu/integration-of-oral-health-and-primary-care-communication-coordination-and-referral>

