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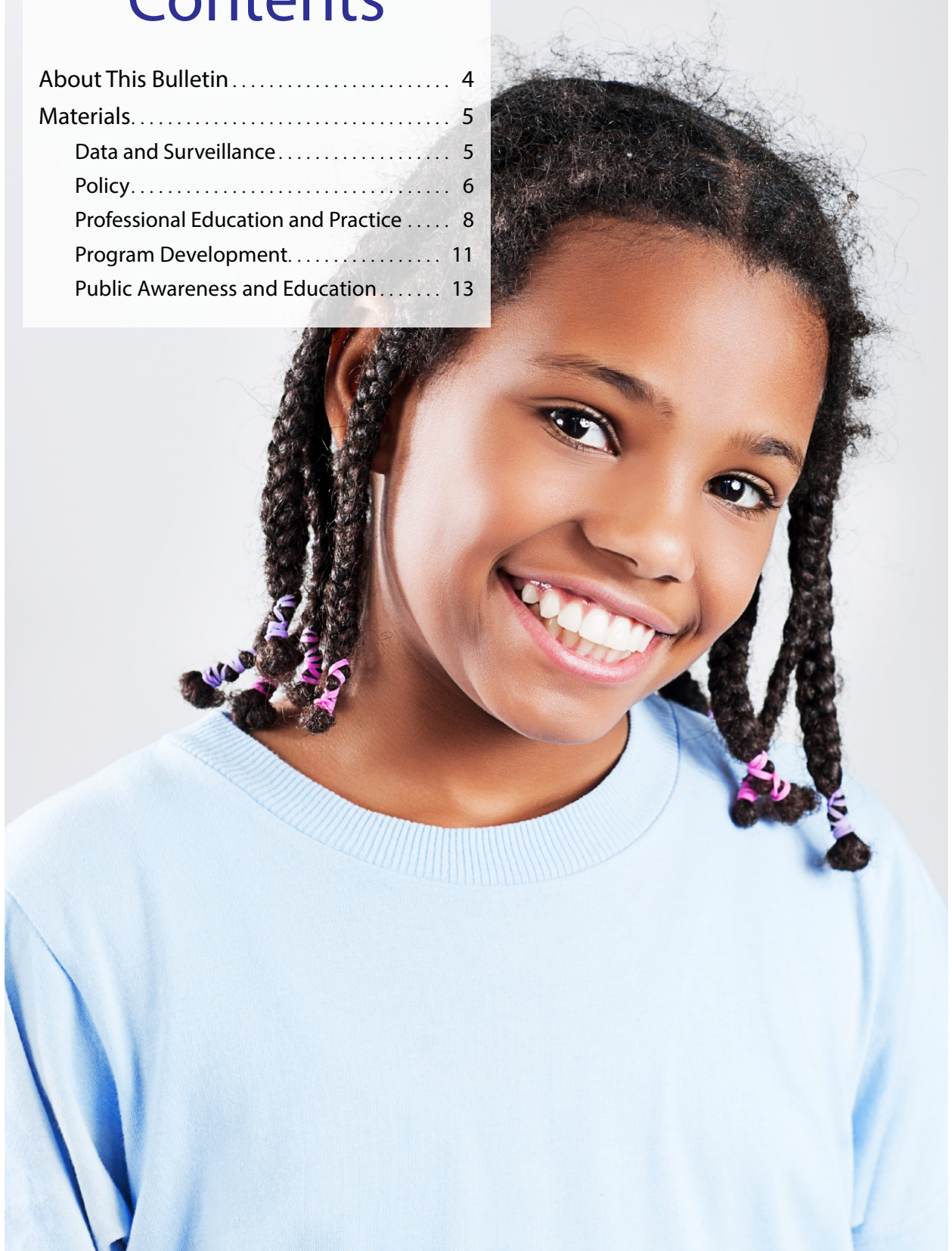
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About This Bulletin









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](#).

The resource bulletin describes materials, such as briefs, curricula, fact sheets, guidelines, manuals, policies, reports, standards, and videos, published between 2021 and 2022. It also includes seminal or noteworthy materials published before 2021 that haven't been featured in a previous resource bulletin. Each resource includes an icon to help readers quickly identify materials. The key to the categories appears on the right.

Our intent is to share resources that are useful and that represent current science and practice. For further information, we encourage you to contact the organizations listed. State and local departments of health; state and local oral-health-related associations, societies, and coalitions; and university-based libraries are additional sources of information.

OHRC is committed to continuing to provide effective mechanisms for sharing information about materials that enhance oral health programs and services. If you have materials that you feel would be useful for program development, implementation, or evaluation, please become part of this process. If you have any materials that you think might be of interest, please submit them via e-mail to

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	Assessment (e.g., questionnaire, readiness assessment, survey)
	Book
	Brief, paper, or report
	Curriculum (e.g., course, training)
	Guide or guidelines (e.g., manual, pocket guide, practice guidance, resource guide, user guide)
	Infographic or poster
	Tool (e.g., brochure, checklist, flipbook, flipchart, form, handout, tip sheet, toolkit)
	Video

Materials

Data and Surveillance



Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

This brief offers information about children and youth with special health care needs (SHCN) from the National Survey of Children's Health 2019–2020. Information is provided on the prevalence of children and youth with SHCN, types of SHCN, unmet health care needs among children and youth with SHCN, and effective systems of care for this population.

Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 2022. *Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs*. Rockville, MD: Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 3 pp.



Networks for Oral Health Integration (NOHI) Within the Maternal and Child Health Safety Net: Environmental Scan 2021–2022 Chartbook [set of chartbooks]

This set of chartbooks contains data about factors that could impact the integration of oral health care into primary care for pregnant women, infants, and children at high risk for oral disease in 11 states and Washington, DC, as part of the Networks for Oral Health Integration (NOHI) Within the MCH Safety Net, an initiative funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau. The chartbooks present data related to scope of practice for medical and dental providers, Medicaid billing and payment, and policies and regulations. They also presents information about the NOHI projects and the environmental scan data-collection tool. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau] The set includes one chartbook for the 11 states and Washington, DC, and chartbooks for the three NOHI projects:

- *Midwest Network for Oral Health Integration (MNOHI): Environmental Scan 2021–2022 Chartbook*

- *Rocky Mountain Network Of Oral Health (ROMONOH): Environmental Scan 2021–2022 Chartbook*
- *Transforming Oral Health For Families (TOHF): Environmental Scan 2021–2022 Chartbook*

Phipps KR. 2022. *Networks for Oral Health Integration (NOHI) Within the Maternal and Child Health Safety Net: Environmental Scan 2021–2022 Chartbook* [set of chartbooks]. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 45 pp.



Overview of the Dental and Oral Health Service Measures in the 2022 Child Core Set

This resource provides an overview of the three oral health care measures in the 2022 Core Set of Children's Health Care Quality Measures for Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (Child Core Set) and highlights differences in the measure specifications. The three measures are sealant receipt on permanent first molars; oral evaluation, dental services; and topical fluoride for children. Links to resources to help states calculate the dental and oral health services measures for Child Core Set reporting are included.

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. 2022. *Overview of the Dental and Oral Health Service Measures in the 2022 Child Core Set*. Baltimore, MD: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. 4 pp.



Room to Grow: An Analysis of Dental and Health Care Claims in Medicaid-Enrolled Children in Arizona

This report provides information from a study that examined Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System health claims data to determine patterns of use of well-child medical visits and dental care in children enrolled in Medicaid in Arizona from 2016 to 2020. The report introduces the issue and discusses methods. Results are presented on the following

topics: demographic data of the study sample, days since the last dental or well child visit benefit was used, distance traveled to health care visit, procedure groupings by age group, access points to dental care by race, and a care-utilization model with presence of 1+ claims as the outcome variable.

CareQuest Institute for Oral Health, Arizona Oral Health Coalition, and Arizona Children's Action Alliance. 2022. *Room to Grow: An Analysis of Dental and Health Care Claims in Medicaid-Enrolled Children in Arizona*. Boston, MA: CareQuest Institute for Oral Health. 13 pp.

Rural Children's Health and Health Care

This brief provides key findings from the National Survey of Children's Health 2019–2020 about the health, including oral health, of children living in rural areas, as well as use of health care. Topics include receipt of preventive medical and oral health visits; adverse childhood experiences; and weight, physical activity, and food insecurity.

Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 2022. *Rural Children's Health and Health Care*. Rockville, MD: Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 3 pp.

Policy

Advancing Oral Health Equity for Medicaid Populations

This brief describes barriers to addressing oral health equity and outlines recommendations for overcoming these issues within four key areas: (1) coverage and access, (2) workforce-capacity building, (3) partnerships, and (4) payment. In particular, the brief highlights specific opportunities for partnering with community-based stakeholders (e.g., community-based organizations) as part of efforts to reduce oral health disparities and advance oral health equity for individuals enrolled in Medicaid.

Steward M, Howe G, Patel S. 2022. *Advancing Oral Health Equity for Medicaid Populations*. Hamilton, NJ: Center for Health Care Strategies. 15 pp.

Comparison of State Statutes and Regulations That Address Requirements and Permissible Practices for Teledentistry Conducted by Oral Health Practitioners

This chart presents a comparison of state teledentistry and telehealth policies to provide a reference to whether a state's laws and regulations address these topics. The report is intended as a companion to compilations of [teledentistry state status and regulations](#).

American Dental Education Association. 2021. *Comparison of State Statutes and Regulations That Address Requirements and Permissible Practices for Teledentistry Conducted by Oral Health Practitioners*. Washington, DC: American Dental Education Association. 7 pp.

Guide to Oral Health Data Sources

This guide provides information on oral health data and sources that advocates may find helpful in describing access to care barriers, problems, and disparities and that may help make the case for policy solutions that address these issues. Topics include oral health access and outcomes, oral health professionals, Medicaid, and special populations (children, pregnant women, older adults, and adults with low incomes).

Community Catalyst. 2022. *Guide to Oral Health Data Sources*. Boston, MA: Community Catalyst. 4 pp.

Improving Access to Dental Care Beyond Reimbursement Rates

This brief presents a range of strategies for improving access to oral health care. It provides recommendations for how to focus efforts to address the problem of poor access to care, the limits of reimbursement rates on improving access to care, and strategies for improving access. Strategies offered include expanding coverage; broadening the oral health workforce; and adopting solutions that deliver care in communities while removing long-standing structural hurdles.

Community Catalyst. 2022. *Improving Access to Dental Care Beyond Reimbursement Rates*. Boston, MA: Community Catalyst. 5 pp.



National Oral Health Data Portal

This web portal provides oral health data sources organized by state to help professionals and programs improve oral health and address oral health equity. Consolidated datasets on oral health status, attitudes, cost, utilization, and access to care have been organized into files and visualizations for easy access and use.

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2022. *National Oral Health Data Portal*. Reno, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 1 item.



Oral Health and Health Equity

This infographic highlights challenges to achieving optimal oral health and identifies opportunities and strategies for advancing oral health equity. Other topics include the state of oral health, the impact of oral health on the body, barriers and challenges to achieving oral health, disparities in oral health before the pandemic, and strategies to support oral health equity.

NIHCM Foundation. 2021. *Oral Health and Health Equity*. Washington, DC: NIHCM Foundation. 1 item.



Policy Change to Advance Oral Health Equity: An Overview of Key Findings—Oral Health in America

This brief provides an overview of key findings from *Oral Health in America: Advances and Challenges* that focus on opportunities to effect policy change to help achieve oral health equity and racial justice. Topics include the relationship between oral health, social inequities, and structural racism; progress toward reducing oral disease; policy changes to help improve the oral health care system and advance health equity; and strategies to improve the oral health of Americans.

Community Catalyst. 2022. *Policy Change to Advance Oral Health Equity: An Overview of Key Findings—Oral Health in America*. Boston, MA: Community Catalyst. 4 pp.



Pouring Rights: A Toolkit for Advocates

This toolkit was created to support student-led advocacy to end or amend pouring rights contracts at public universities and create a healthier beverage environment on campus. The toolkit provides information about contracts and discusses the path forward and how to make the case for reforming pouring rights on campus. Sample communication materials are included.

Center for Science in the Public Interest. 2022. *Pouring Rights: A Toolkit for Advocates*. Washington DC: Center for Science in the Public Interest. 10 pp.



The Root of the Problem: A Roadmap for Early Childhood Oral Health Equity

This roadmap presents four goals toward achieving oral health equity for young children in Colorado. For each goal, an introduction and context, a set of associated strategies, proposed actions for each strategy, a suggested timeline, a list of potential partners, and a workbook are included. The roadmap also includes information about Colorado's early childhood oral health system, especially for communities of color, and information about related frameworks, plans, and recommendations.

Early Milestones Colorado. 2022. *The Root of the Problem: A Roadmap for Early Childhood Oral Health Equity*. Denver, CO: Early Milestones Colorado. 32 pp.



Utilization of Dental Care Among Arkansas Children and Adults

This report describes a study to inform policy decisions to improve access to and use of oral health care in Arkansas and to establish baseline measures for coverage and use indicators. Topics include data sources, key findings, study demographics and dental insurance coverage profile, use of care, fluoride varnish applications, dental sealant applications, use of oral health care in medical care settings, hospital emergency department use among uninsured individuals, population-to-active-dentist ratio profile, tooth-extraction-related opioid-prescribing profile, and future research.

Arkansas Center for Health Improvement. 2022. *Utilization of Dental Care Among Arkansas Children and Adults*. Little Rock, AR: Arkansas Center for Health Improvement. 49 pp.

Professional Education and Practice



Advancing Oral Health Equity: A Resource Guide

The guide provides an overview of oral health equity and is organized into two sections. The first section describes selected materials published from 2016 through 2022 that reflect current science and practice, as well as seminal materials published before 2016. The second section lists federal agencies, national professional associations, resource centers, and national coalitions that work to promote oral health equity and may serve as resources. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Barzel R, Holt K, eds. 2022. *Advancing Oral Health Equity: A Resource Guide*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 23 pp.



Best Practice Approach: Oral Health of People with Special Health Care Needs

This report offers information about the oral health of people with special health care needs (SHCN). It presents background information, including information on considerations for oral health care delivery, promising initiatives, the workforce, sites of care, financing of care, establishing comprehensive care, and data. Strategic calls to action for improving the oral health care of people with SHCN are also included. The report offers guidelines and recommendations, research evidence, and state practice examples illustrating strategies and interventions for people with SHCN. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors and National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 2021. *Best Practice Approach: People with Special Health Care Needs*. Reno, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors; Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 15 pp.



Best Practice Approach: School-Based Dental Sealant Programs

This report offers information about school dental sealant programs, including school-based, school-linked, and hybrid programs. It includes background information; a rationale for sealant programs; guidelines, recommendations, and evidence reviews to support the establishment of school-based programs; considerations to take into account when implementing school-based programs; and state practice examples illustrating strategies and interventions for school-based programs. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors and National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 2022. *Best Practice Approach: School-Based Dental Sealant Programs*. Reno, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors; Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 27 pp.



Communities Care About Oral Health

This brief offers information about community members' attitudes in several states about oral health. It discusses how important it is to community members to get a dental check-up, compared with a medical check-up; how important it is to parents that their child has good oral health; and how institutional and structural factors limit community members' access to clear information about oral health. Also discussed are community members' understanding of the importance of oral health to overall health and how the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted their attitudes about getting oral health care.

Community Catalyst. 2022. *Communities Care About Oral Health*. Boston, MA: Community Catalyst. 2 pp.



Dental Sealants: Evidence-Based Guidance Standardization Training

This training about standardizing the process of selecting teeth for dental sealant placement is geared toward oral health professionals. It comprises a PowerPoint presentation and pre- and post-tests. The training reviews evidence-based guidance for sealant

use, addresses questions, and presents findings and recommendations. Examples of sound, cavitated, and noncavitated lesions on tooth surfaces and discussions about whether to select teeth for sealants are included.

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2020. *Dental Sealants: Evidence-Based Guidance Standardization Training*. Reno, NV: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 1 presentation (37 slides).



Discussing HPV and Detecting Oral Cancer: The Role of Oral Health Providers

This fact sheet discusses the role oral health professionals can play in discussing human papillomavirus (HPV) and providing education about the link between HPV and cancers of the mouth and throat and the importance of the HPV vaccine. It also provides information about the prevalence of HPV; oral health professionals' confidence about discussing HPV with patients and administering the vaccine; and, among adolescents who had a dental visit in the past year, the percentage that received the HPV vaccine.

CareQuest Institute for Oral Health. 2022 *Discussing HPV and Detecting Oral Cancer: The Role of Oral Health Providers*. Boston, MA: CareQuest Institute for Oral Health. 2 pp.



Improving America's Oral Health Literacy: Leveraging Lessons from Health Literacy to Elevate America's Understanding of Oral Health

This paper examines the ways that health literacy affects (1) patients making informed decisions about their oral health, oral health care, and dental insurance; (2) oral health professionals' communications with patients, staff, and the community; and (3) dental insurance companies' development and provision of dental insurance plans. It discusses health literacy in dental practices, health literacy training, and social determinants of health and oral health. Recommendations are included.

Atchison KA, Horowitz AM, Holland ND. 2020. *Improving America's Oral Health Literacy: Leveraging Lessons from Health Literacy to Elevate America's*

Understanding of Oral Health. Washington, DC: Delta Dental Institute. 17 pp.



LGBTQ+ Oral Health: Disparities and Opportunities for Change

This fact sheet provides information on barriers that lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning, intersex, asexual, and more (LGBTQ+) people face in accessing oral health care. Topics include discrimination and mistreatment, prevalence of this population who have chronic health conditions and other risk factors, and lack of coverage of LGBTQ+-specific topics in oral health professional training programs. The fact sheet also discusses what oral health advocates can do to improve access to oral health care for the population and lists talking points and sample tweets.

Le C, Gabra M. N.d. *LGBTQ+ Oral Health: Disparities and Opportunities for Change*. Boston, MA: Community Catalyst. 2 pp.



Oral Health Guide for Caregivers of School-Aged Children

This booklet is designed to help school nurses and others who work with school-age children provide effective treatment for minor oral health emergencies or problems such as inflamed or irritated gum tissue, toothaches, a broken or displaced tooth, traumatic avulsion, and a lacerated lip or tongue. Topics include dental first aid and primary and permanent dentition. A dental-trauma decision tree is included.

Branson BS, McCunniff MD. 2022. *Oral Health Guide for Caregivers of School-Aged Children*. Jefferson City, MO: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Office of Dental Health. 16 pp.



Oral Health Training for Community Organizations

This training provides information to improve women's oral health through education, collaboration, and integration of oral health care into prenatal care and primary care. It includes reasons that preventive oral health care is important and key messages to use with pregnant women and parents with infants. It also reviews basic concepts related to oral health in pregnant women, infants, and children and discusses the importance of the dental home and of providing

referrals to dentists. [Partially funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

From the First Tooth. 2022. *Oral Health Training for Community Organizations*. Portland, ME: From the First Tooth. 1 video (19:04 min.).



Pit and Fissure Sealants Versus Fluoride Varnishes for Preventing Dental Decay in the Permanent Teeth of Children and Adolescents

This review evaluates the relative effectiveness of dental sealants compared with fluoride varnishes (FVs) or sealants together with FVs compared with FVs alone for preventing dental caries in the occlusal surfaces of permanent teeth of children and adolescents. The review is an update of one first published in 2006 and last updated in 2010. It provides background, objectives, methods, results, and a discussion.

Kashbour W, Gupta P, Worthington HV, Boyers D. 2020. *Pit and Fissure Sealants Versus Fluoride Varnishes for Preventing Dental Decay in the Permanent Teeth of Children and Adolescents*. West Sussex, United Kingdom: Cochrane Library. 77 pp.



State Approaches to Community Health Worker Certification

This brief provides information about certification programs for community health workers (CHWs) and describes what services CHWs can provide. The brief offers background and discusses how states can determine whether and how to pursue certification. An interactive map showing whether each state has a state-operated program, a privately operated program, a program under development, a program under consideration, or no program is included.

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. 2022. *State Approaches to Community Health Worker Certification*. Arlington, VA: Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. 2 pp.



Supporting Dental Therapy Through Title VII Training Programs: A Meaningful Strategy for Implementing Equitable Oral Health Care—19th Annual Report to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services and the Congress of the United States

This report provides information on a government strategy for supporting dental therapy, which is practiced by members of an oral health team providing a defined set of procedures under the supervision of a dentist. Topics include recommendations, the importance of oral health, dentist shortage and maldistribution, the impact of oral health disparities, financial costs and system burden, the emerging dental therapy profession, quality of care, financial benefits, and exemplary programs.

Advisory Committee on Training in Primary Care Medicine and Dentistry. 2022. *Supporting Dental Therapy Through Title VII Training Programs: A Meaningful Strategy for Implementing Equitable Oral Health Care—19th Annual Report to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services and the Congress of the United States*. Rockville, MD: Health Resources and Services Administration. 27 pp.



Teledentistry Quick Facts: State-by-State Guide—What To Know About Teledentistry in Your State

This guide provides information about teledentistry by state. It discusses types of teledentistry use (e.g., patient live video consultations, patient and health professional messaging) and includes the following questions and answers for each state: (1) does the state allow for direct access to dental hygiene services, (2) does the state allow dental assistants to participate in teledentistry services, (3) how does the state define teledentistry, (4) is it possible to be reimbursed for teledentistry services, and (5) does the state provide a parity law related to teledentistry.

Mouthwatch. 2020. *Teledentistry Quick Facts: State-by-State Guide—What To Know About Teledentistry in Your State*. Metuchen, NJ: Mouthwatch. 65 pp.

Program Development



Community Health Workers and Oral Health: Creating an Integrated Curriculum in Kansas

This brief provides information about how Kansas is using community health workers (CHWs) to expand oral health education and care in the state. Topics include an introduction to CHWs in Kansas, incorporating oral health into each core competency of the CHW training curriculum developed by the Kansas Community Health Worker Coalition, and reimbursement and certification of CHWs in the state. Information on the state of oral health for children and adults in Kansas is also included.

Atkeson A, Roth E. 2022. *Community Health Workers and Oral Health: Creating an Integrated Curriculum in Kansas*. Portland, ME: National Academy for State Health Policy. 4 pp.

Department of Health and Senior Services, Office of Dental Health. 5 pp.



Engaging Tribal Populations to Improve Oral Health Care Access in Arizona

This report provides information about oral health care for tribes in Arizona and steps that are being taken to improve access to care for this population. It explains what the Indian Health Service is and how services are reimbursed. It also discusses Arizona Medicaid's tribal consultation policy and community engagement with oral health in the state.

National Academy for State Health Policy. 2022. *Engaging Tribal Populations to Improve Oral Health Care Access in Arizona*. Washington, DC: National Academy for State Health Policy. 5 pp.



Community Health Workers and Oral Health: Improving Access to Care Across the Lifespan in Minnesota

This brief provides information about how Minnesota is engaging community health workers in a variety of ways to improve oral health education and access to oral health care. Topics include an introduction to CHWs in Minnesota; the Healthy Teeth, Healthy Baby campaign; and the Healthy Brain Initiative pilot. Information on the state of oral health for children and adults in Minnesota is also included.

Roth E, Atkeson A. 2022. *Community Health Workers and Oral Health: Improving Access to Care Across the Lifespan in Minnesota*. Portland, ME: National Academy for State Health Policy. 4 pp.



Evaluation of Oregon's 2017–2022 Medicaid Waiver: Interim Report

This interim report presents results from an evaluation of performance during the first 3 years (2017–2019) of Oregon's 1115 Medicaid waiver to transform its Medicaid program, establishing 16 coordinated-care organizations to provide comprehensive care for its Medicaid population. The report assessed progress in four key areas: behavioral health integration, oral health integration, use of health-related services—a mechanism for addressing social determinants of health, and program enhancements for individuals who are dually enrolled in Medicaid and Medicare.

Oregon Health & Science University, Center for Health Systems Effectiveness. 2021. *Evaluation of Oregon's 2017–2022 Medicaid Waiver: Interim Report*. Portland, OR: Oregon Health & Science University, Center for Health Systems Effectiveness. 171 pp.



Community Water Fluoridation

This report provides information about community water fluoridation (CWF) in Missouri. Topics include the benefits of CWF, the percentage of the Missouri population with access to CWF compared with the U.S. population as a whole, and poverty in Missouri.

Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Office of Dental Health. 2020. *Community Water Fluoridation*. Jefferson City, MO: Missouri



Improving Access to Oral Health Care for Tribal Populations in Oklahoma

This report provides information about oral health care for tribes in Oklahoma and steps that are being taken to improve access to care for this population. It explains what the Indian Health Service is and how services are reimbursed. It also discusses Oklahoma Medicaid's addition of a dental benefit, its plans to transition to managed care, and its tribal consultation policy.

National Academy for State Health Policy. 2022. *Improving Access to Oral Health Care for Tribal Populations in Oklahoma*. Washington, DC: National Academy for State Health Policy. 6 pp.



Mississippi Oral Health Surveillance Plan 2018–2022

This plan provides information about the purpose of public health surveillance, the public health importance of oral health, a framework for an oral health surveillance system, and an operational definition of a state oral health surveillance system. In addition, it discusses the following aspects of Mississippi's oral health surveillance system: purpose, objectives, indicators, data sources and data-collection timeline, data dissemination and use, privacy and confidentiality, and evaluation.

Kurmana S, Filzen A, Zhang L. 2018. *Mississippi Oral Health Surveillance Plan 2018–2022*. Jackson, MS: Mississippi State Department of Health, Office of Oral Health and Office of Health Data and Research. 14 pp.



Provider and Patient Satisfaction with the Dental Therapy Workforce at Apple Tree Dental

This report presents results from two surveys, one that assessed clinician and administration satisfaction with the dental therapy workforce within Apple Tree Dental centers and programs and one that described the satisfaction of patients with their health professionals at Apple Tree Dental, making comparisons across provider type. The report also provides background, which includes information about dental therapy in Minnesota—the first state to authorize dental therapy practice statewide, and about Apple Tree Dental, which was among the first employers of dental therapists in the state.

Langelier M, Surdu S, O'Malley E. 2022. *Provider and Patient Satisfaction with the Dental Therapy Workforce at Apple Tree Dental*. Rensselaer, NY: Oral Health Workforce Research Center. 74 pp.



Title V National Performance Measure 13 (Oral Health): Fiscal Year 2021 Snapshot

This report offers a snapshot of states' experiences with implementing strategies to address NPM 13. It presents challenges, lessons learned, and accomplishments in promoting preventive dental visits for pregnant women and children and adolescents, ages 1 through 17. The report introduces the topic and provides background; presents information about the Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant Program; and discusses methods, limitations, results, and next steps for states.

Davis M, Holt K, Kolo S. 2022. *Title V National Performance Measure 13 (Oral Health): Fiscal Year 2021 Snapshot*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 30 pp.

Public Awareness and Education



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 (NCDHM) (February). Contents include a NCDHM poster, postcards, and flyers in English and in Spanish; a program planning guide; tips for creating press releases, broadcasting tips, and sample newspaper articles; and activity sheets for children in English and in Spanish.

American Dental Association. 2022. *February Is National Children's Dental Health Month*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association, Division of Communications. Multiple items.



Give Your Child a Healthy Mouth with Fluoride

This brochure and poster provide information for parents and pregnant women about the importance of fluoride for keeping teeth healthy. The brochure includes links to resources that can help parents and pregnant women learn more about fluoride, how to get dental coverage in Maryland, and how to find a dentist for a child. Information about Maryland's Medicaid Dental Program is included. The poster emphasizes that drinking fluoridated water helps prevent tooth decay in children. The brochure and the poster are available in English and in Spanish.

