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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, and others with the goal of improving oral health services for infants, children, adolescents, and their families. OHRC collaborates with governmental agencies, professional associations, foundations, and voluntary organizations to gather, develop, and share high-quality 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. Inclusion of items in the bulletin does not imply endorsement by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; OHRC; or Georgetown University.

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

CONSUMER MATERIALS

DENTAL CARE FOR CHILDREN: PRE K-12 (REV. ED.)

Class on Demand. 2002. *Dental Care for Children: Pre K-12* (rev. ed.). Evanston, IL: United Learning. 3 items; 1 facilitator's guide, 1 set of master handouts, 1 videotape (VHS, 14 min.).

This kit contains a videotape, a facilitator's guide, and master handouts for use in educating children ages 3 to 12 about oral health and self-care. Topics include toothbrushing and flossing, eating healthy foods, visiting the dentist, and wearing mouthguards. The cariogenic process, including sugar's critical role and its presence in many foods, is described. The videotape concludes with a concise summary of three steps that children, with a parent's help, can take to preserve their oral health. A short quiz follows the summary. A pre-test and a post-test, recipes, and fact sheets are also included.

Contact: Jason Altschul. Discovery Education, 1560 Sherman Avenue, Suite 100, Evanston, IL 60201. Telephone: (800) 421-2363, ext. 7201; fax: (847) 328-6706; e-mail: info@unitedlearning.com; Web site: <http://www.education.discovery.com>. \$89.00, plus shipping and handling (videotape), bulk pricing available; facilitator's guide and handout masters available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.unitedstreaming.com/videos/11174/11174_TG.pdf.

DENTAL HEALTH: A GUIDE FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS

Henderson N. 2004. *Dental Health: A Guide for African Americans*. Potomac, MD: Conrad and Associates; Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 2 items; 1 videotape (VHS, 28:30 min.), 1 guidebook (44 pp.).

This videotape and guidebook, which are geared toward African Americans, are intended to help families prevent oral health problems, protect children's teeth, find affordable oral health care, and strive to keep their teeth for a lifetime. The booklet and videotape cover the following topics: (1) tooth decay and gum disease, (2) fighting plaque, (3) protecting children's oral health, (4) healthy mouths, (5) oral cancer,

(6) tooth appearance, (7) African Americans in dentistry, (8) questions to ask the dentist, and (9) resources for more information. The videotape, which features television and movie celebrities Blair Underwood and Nia Long, was produced by the American Dental Association in collaboration with the National Dental Association and the Congress of National Black Churches, Inc.

Contact: American Dental Association, Creative Services, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678. Telephone: (312) 440-2806, (800) 621-8099, ext. 2806; fax: (312) 440-7494; Web site: <http://www.ada.org>. Available at no charge.

DENTAL SEALANTS

New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Dental Health. 2004. *Dental Sealants*. Albany, NY: New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Dental Health. 2 pp.

This illustrated brochure for parents explains dental sealants and how they are used to protect young children's teeth from tooth decay. Topics include how dental sealants are applied, how long they last, their cost, and their role in tooth decay prevention. A Spanish version of the brochure, produced in 2001, is also available.

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: info@mchoralhealth.org; Web site: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. English version (2004) available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/SealantBrochureNY.pdf>; Spanish version (2001) available for loan.

I LOVE MY TEETH BOOK

American Dental Hygienists' Association. 2004. *I Love My Teeth Book*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Hygienists' Association. 9 pp.

This activity book for elementary-school-age children contains information about oral hygiene and how to keep the mouth, teeth, and gums healthy. Pictures to color and activities such as word searches, matching games, and crossword puzzles are included.

Contact: American Dental Hygienists' Association, 444 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3400, Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: (312) 440-8900; fax: (312) 467-1806; e-mail: mail@adha.net; Web site: <http://www.adha.org>. \$2.50 (1 copy); \$0.75 each (2–24 copies); \$0.66 (25–49 copies); \$0.60 (50–99 copies); \$0.54 (100–499); \$0.50 (500+ copies).

**METHAMPHETAMINE USE AND ORAL HEALTH
(METH MOUTH)**

American Dental Association. 2005. *Methamphetamine Use and Oral Health (Meth Mouth)*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 1 pp.

This fact sheet for the general public presents an overview and resources on methamphetamine use and oral health. The fact sheet includes a description of the drug; its effects on the central nervous system; and its potential impact on the oral cavity, oral hygiene, and diet. Data on methamphetamine use from the 2003 *National Survey on Drug Use and Health*, information on drug trafficking, and additional resources are also presented.

Contact: American Dental Association, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678. Telephone: (312) 440-2500; fax: (312) 440-7494; e-mail: info@ada.org; Web site: <http://www.ada.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.ada.org/public/topics/methmouth.asp>.

**METLIFE CHILDHOOD TOOTH DECAY RISK GUIDE:
YOU CAN PROTECT YOUR CHILD'S TEETH FROM
TOOTH DECAY**

Crall JJ, MetLife Dental Advisory Council. 2004. *MetLife Childhood Tooth Decay Risk Guide: You Can Protect Your Child's Teeth from Tooth Decay*. New York, NY: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. 4 pp.

This guide is designed to help parents determine whether their child is at high risk for developing tooth decay. The guide contains a questionnaire that parents can fill out to help them evaluate their child's risk level,

as well as information matching each question that can help parents reduce their child's risk. A similar guide is available for children.

Contact: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Madison Square Garden, P.O. Box 807, New York, NY 10159-0807. Available at no charge from the Web site at <https://www.metdental.com/prov/jsp/prov/pdfs/newsletters/childhoodtoothdecay.pdf>.

**METLIFE KIDS' TOOTH DECAY RISK GUIDE: LEARNING
TO PROTECT YOUR TEETH FROM TOOTH DECAY**

Crall JJ, and MetLife Dental Advisory Council. 2004. *MetLife Kids' Tooth Decay Risk Guide: Learning to Protect Your Teeth from Tooth Decay*. New York, NY: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. 4 pp.

This guide is designed to help children learn about things that may place them at risk for tooth decay. The guide contains a questionnaire that children can fill out to help them determine whether they are at risk. Information related to each question that can help lower their risk is also included. A similar guide is available for parents.

Contact: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Madison Square Garden, P.O. Box 807, New York, NY 10159-0807. Available at no charge from the Web site at <https://www.metdental.com/prov/jsp/prov/pdfs/newsletters/childtoothdecay.pdf>.

ORAL HEALTH AND NUTRITION COLORING SHEET

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. *Oral Health and Nutrition Coloring Sheet*. Chicago, IL: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. 1 p.

This children's coloring sheet is a line drawing of a girl surrounded by healthy foods such as milk, a carrot, an apple, and a sandwich. Also in the picture is a toothbrush. Below the drawing is brief text providing tips, including tips on effective oral hygiene practices and on how to avoid tooth decay.

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MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

MODELS TO PROMOTE ORAL HEALTH IN UNDERSERVED CHILDREN: A STATEWIDE ORAL HEALTH TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PROVIDERS

Morgan State University. 2005. *Models to Promote Oral Health in Underserved Children: A Statewide Oral Health Training Workshop for Maternal and Child Health Providers*. Baltimore, MD: Morgan State University. 1 v.

This three-ring binder includes materials from the oral health training workshop held on June 28, 2005, in Baltimore, Maryland. Plenary session topics included current oral health status of children and families residing in Maryland; diet, nutrition, and prevention of dental caries in children; community-level organizing around oral health; engaging individuals enrolled in Head Start and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) in oral health care; and cultural considerations in oral health practice and communication. Binder contents include the workshop agenda; a list of the oral health advisory board members; speaker biographies; printed presentation slides and abstracts, and a variety of handouts of policies, statements, plans, and articles. A copy of the post-test questionnaire and workshop survey are provided. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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NEBRASKA STATE ORAL HEALTH FORUM PARTICIPANT MATERIALS

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Dental Health Division. 2004. *Nebraska State Oral Health Forum Participant Materials*. Lincoln, NE: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Dental Health Division. 6 items.

These participant materials include a toolkit and two videotapes from the oral health forum held on April 24–25, 2004, in Lincoln, Nebraska. Also included are a brochure about the importance of visiting the dentist during pregnancy, a booklet that lists free oral health education materials, and a participant list. The first

videotape describes several programs and protocols that aim to reduce tooth decay in children, including *Seal America: The Prevention Intervention*; a modified toothbrushing protocol, *Take Time for Teeth*; and the Nebraska Medicaid Dental Program. The presentation includes Spanish subtitles. The second videotape contains presentations from the conference.

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NORTH CAROLINA ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT: BUILDING A COLLABORATIVE FOR ACTION

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Oral Health Section. 2005. *North Carolina Oral Health Summit: Building a Collaborative for Action*. Raleigh, NC: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Oral Health Section. 1 v.

This three-ring binder includes participant materials from the oral health summit held on April 8, 2005, in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Topics include (1) increasing dentist participation in the Medicaid program; (2) increasing the overall supply of dentists and dental hygienists in the state, especially in underserved areas or for underserved populations; (3) increasing the number of pediatric dentists and expanding preventive oral health services to young children; (4) training oral health professionals to treat individuals with special health care needs and designing programs to expand access to oral health services; and (5) educating Medicaid recipients about the importance of ongoing oral health care and developing programs to remove nonfinancial barriers to the use of oral health services. Contents include the agenda, materials on resources, facilitators, and recorders; keynote speaker presentation notes; resource background papers; the summit work group charge; and additional resource materials from the American Dental Association, the Blue Ribbon Commission on Medicaid Reform 2005, and the North Carolina Oral Health Survey group. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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for loan. Selected materials available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.communityhealth.dhhs.state.nc.us/dental/oral_health_summit.htm.

POLICY

ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE AMONG HISPANIC OR LATINO SUBGROUPS: UNITED STATES, 2000–03

Scott G, Simile C. 2005. *Access to Dental Care Among Hispanic or Latino Subgroups: United States, 2000–03*. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 16 pp.

This report presents national estimates of access to oral health care for the following five subgroups of Hispanic or Latino individuals in the United States: Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, and other Hispanic or Latino. Topics include utilizing oral health care services, meeting oral health needs that are unmet due to cost, and identifying and understanding subgroup differences. Statistical information is presented in charts, graphs, and tables throughout the report.

Contact: National Center for Health Statistics, 3311 Toledo Road, Hyattsville, MD 20782. Telephone: (301) 458-4000, (866) 441-NCHS (441-6247); fax: (301) 458-4020; e-mail: nchsquery@cdc.gov; Web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs>. Available at no charge. Document code: (PHS) 2005-1250. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/ad/ad354.pdf>.

BEST PRACTICES IN SPECIALTY PROVIDER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION: CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS

Brodsky KL. 2005. *Best Practices in Specialty Provider Recruitment and Retention: Challenges and Solutions*. New York, NY: Commonwealth Fund. 34 pp.

This paper describes a study of Association of Community Affiliated Plans (ACAP) health plans conducted in 2004 to identify barriers to recruiting and retaining providers and also to identify solutions to this problem. Four plans were selected for in-depth case studies. The paper, which includes an abstract and an executive summary, discusses (1) identifying challenges; (2) matching best practices to challenges; (3) payment

practices, payment incentives, and financial assistance; (4) utilization management practices; (5) communications and provider outreach practices; (6) practices to simplify administrative burdens; and (7) enabling service practices. Statistical information is presented in two tables. Case studies, CareOregon current procedural terminology codes, and ACAP Health Plan contacts are included as appendices.

Contact: Commonwealth Fund, One East 75th Street, New York, NY 10021-2692. Telephone: (888) 777-2744, (212) 606-3800; fax: (212) 606-3500; e-mail: cmwf@cmwf.org; Web site: <http://www.cmwf.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.cmwf.org/usr_doc/852_Brodsky_best_practices_specialty_provider_recruitment.pdf.

THE DECLINING SUPPLY OF DENTAL SERVICES IN KANSAS: IMPLICATIONS FOR ACCESS AND OPTIONS FOR REFORM

Allison RA, Bryan D. 2005. *The Declining Supply of Dental Services in Kansas: Implications for Access and Options for Reform*. Topeka, KS: Kansas Health Institute. 71 pp.

This study of the oral health work force in Kansas offers an account of oral health needs in the state, identifies gaps in the work force that contribute to these needs, and presents a broad range of options that policymakers can use to address these needs. Topics include an overview of oral health needs in Kansas, the impact of oral health on overall well-being, the Kansas oral health work force, the supply of oral health services in Kansas, an economic analysis of oral health markets in Kansas, and policy options and potential implications. An appendix provides statistical information on oral health needs by demographic characteristics. Additional statistical information is provided in tables and figures throughout the report.

Contact: Kansas Health Institute, 212 South West Eighth Avenue, Suite 3001, Topeka, KS 66603-3936. Telephone: (785) 233-5443; fax: (785) 233-1163; e-mail: mailbox@khi.org; Web site: <http://www.khi.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.khi.org/DentalSupply/DentalreportFINAL.pdf>.

DENTAL HYGIENE: FOCUS ON ADVANCING THE PROFESSION

American Dental Hygienists' Association. 2005. *Dental Hygiene: Focus on Advancing the Profession*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Hygienists' Association. 39 pp.

This report describes the future of the dental hygienist profession as envisioned by a select group of dental hygienists with input from a wide range of sources. Contents include sections on research, education, practice and technology, licensure and regulation, public health, and government. Each section describes aims for the profession and recommendations on how the aims can be accomplished.

Contact: American Dental Hygienists' Association, 444 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3400, Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: (312) 440-8900; fax: (312) 467-1806; e-mail: mail@adha.net; Web site: <http://www.adha.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.adha.org/downloads/ADHA_Focus_Report.pdf.

ELIMINATING ADULT DENTAL COVERAGE IN MEDICAID: AN ANALYSIS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS EXPERIENCE

Pryor C, Monopoli M. 2005. *Eliminating Adult Dental Coverage in Medicaid: An Analysis of the Massachusetts Experience*. Washington, DC: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. 21 pp.

This report examines the impact of dental coverage reductions implemented by MassHealth, Massachusetts' Medicaid program. The report is based on information collected between September 2004 and June 2005 through structured interviews with 13 oral health professionals in the state, two focus groups with current MassHealth enrollees who had oral health care needs, and an analysis of state administrative data. The paper also includes background information, methodology, findings, and a conclusion. Statistical information is presented in figures throughout the paper.

Contact: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, 1330 G Street, N.W., Suite 250, Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 347-5270, (800) 656-4533; fax: (202) 347-5274; e-mail: kcmu@kff.org; Web site: <http://www.kff.org/about/kcmu.cfm>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.kff.org/medicaid/upload/7378.pdf>.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE: HEALTH CARE SERVICES ARE NOT ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO NATIVE AMERICANS

Government Accountability Office. 2005. *Indian Health Service: Health Care Services Are Not Always Available to Native Americans*. Washington, DC: Government Accountability Office. 41 pp.

This report examines the availability of primary care services and ancillary and specialty services for Native Americans. The report also examines the underlying factors associated with variations in the availability of services and strategies used by facilities to increase availability. The report, which includes highlights and results in brief, is divided into the following five sections: (1) the availability of primary care depended on Native Americans' ability to access service at Indian Health Services-funded facilities; (2) certain ancillary and specialty services were generally offered, but gaps in other services were common; (3) factors associated with variations in service availability included facility structure, location, and funding; (4) facilities used a variety of strategies to increase the availability of services; and (5) the report concludes with agency comments and the Government Accountability Office's evaluation. Statistical information is presented in figures and tables throughout the report.

Contact: Government Accountability Office, 441 G Street, N.W., Room 5A14, Washington, DC 20548. Telephone: (202) 512-6000, (202) 512-2537; fax: (202) 512-2837; e-mail: info@www.gao.gov; Web site: <http://www.gao.gov>. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.gao.gov/cgi-bin/new.items/d05789.pdf>.

THE NATIONAL SURVEY OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS: CHARTBOOK 2001

Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 2004. *The National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs: Chartbook 2001*. Rockville, MD: Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 112 pp.

This chartbook presents the results of a survey on the prevalence of special health care needs among children. The chartbook includes national and individual state data on access to health services and support systems for this population. Survey results, which were self-reported by families, provide demographic characteristics, types of services needed, and satisfaction with current services. The chartbook includes tables and graphs.

Contact: HRSA Information Center, 22815 Glenn Drive, Suite 103, Sterling, VA 20164. Telephone: (888) ASK-HRSA (275-4772), (877) 474-4772; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: ask@hrsa.gov; Web site: <http://www.ask.hrsa.gov>. Available at no charge. Document code: MCH00139. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://mchb.hrsa.gov/chscn>.

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NATIVE AMERICAN CHILDREN HAVE MORE ORAL DISEASE AND LESS CARE THAN THEIR PEERS

DeBiasi A, Edelstein B. 2005. *Native American Children Have More Oral Disease and Less Care Than Their Peers*. Washington, DC: Children's Dental Health Project. 1 p.

This fact sheet discusses oral health disparities among Native American and Alaska Native children. The fact sheet specifically addresses disparities in oral health status and access to care, including children's lack of dental insurance and the disproportionately small number of dentists who serve the population.

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

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ORAL HEALTH MATTERS: FY 2006

American Association for Dental Research. 2005. *Oral Health Matters: FY 2006*. Alexandria, VA: American Association for Dental Research. 2 pp.

This fact sheet discusses the prevalence of tooth decay, how it can be prevented, and the role fluoride has played in its reduction. Research and possible future treatments are also discussed.

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POLICY CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN CLOSING THE RACIAL/ETHNIC DIVIDE IN HEALTH CARE

Lillie-Blanton M, Lewis CB. 2005. *Policy Challenges and Opportunities in Closing the Racial/Ethnic Divide in Health Care*. Menlo Park, CA: Kaiser Family Foundation. 11 pp.

This issue brief provides information about policy challenges and opportunities associated with closing the racial and ethnic divide in health care. The brief provides background and discusses the following challenges and opportunities: (1) raising public and health professional awareness, (2) expanding health coverage, (3) improving the number and capacity of health professionals in underserved communities, (4) improving health care quality, and (5) increasing the knowledge base. Next steps in closing the gap are also discussed. Statistical information is presented in figures throughout the report. Three appendices include tables describing the distribution of the U.S. population by race and ethnicity, uninsured rates by region and race and ethnicity, and the government's role in health coverage of people of color.

Contact: Kaiser Family Foundation, 2400 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park, CA 94025. Telephone: (650) 854-9400; fax: (650) 854-4800; e-mail: webmaster@kff.org; Web site: <http://www.kff.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.kff.org/minorityhealth/7293.cfm>.

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RACIAL AND ETHNIC DISPARITIES IN ORAL HEALTH

Children's Dental Health Project. 2004. *Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Oral Health*. Washington, DC: Children's Dental Health Project. 2 pp.

This fact sheet discusses racial and ethnic disparities in oral health and oral health care. Topics covered include differences in oral health, differences in oral health care, differences in oral health coverage, consequences of disparities, and oral health work force diversity. Under each topic, specific statistical information is provided.

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

SURVEILLANCE FOR DENTAL CARIES, DENTAL SEALANTS, TOOTH RETENTION, EDENTULISM, AND ENAMEL FLUOROSIS: UNITED STATES, 1988–1994 AND 1999–2002

Beltran-Aguilar ED, Barker LK, Canto MT, Dye BA, Gooch BF, Griffen SO, Hyman J, Jaramillo F, Kingman A, Nowjack-Raymer R, Selwitz RH, Wu T. 2005. Surveillance for dental caries, dental sealants, tooth retention, edentulism, and enamel fluorosis: United States, 1988–1994 and 1999–2002. *MMWR Surveillance Summaries* 54(3):1–44.

This report presents an analysis of surveillance data on dental caries, dental sealants, tooth retention, edentulism, and enamel fluorosis. The report discusses methods and results and includes a discussion section, conclusions, and recommendations for public health action. Extensive statistical information is presented in figures and tables grouped together at the end of the report.

Contact: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mailstop F07, 1600 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30333. Telephone: (404) 639-3534, (404) 639-3311, (800) 311-3435; Web site: <http://www.cdc.gov>. Available at no charge. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/ss5403a1.htm>.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

DENTAL HEALTH AMBASSADOR TRAINING MANUAL

Bain A, Crosby S, Starr N, Stewart S, Wing-Peterson M. 2004. *Dental Health Ambassador Training Manual*. San Diego, CA: Dental Health Initiative of San Diego, Share the Care. 1 v.

This manual contains training and consumer awareness materials for an 8-week program to train ambassadors to expand oral health knowledge and practice across generations and a variety of populations in San Diego, California. Session topics include (1) oral health basics: form and function; (2) causes and prevention of oral diseases; (3) beyond the basics of oral hygiene and aesthetics; (4) food choices for oral health; (5) other factors affecting oral health such as tobacco, alcohol, prescription and over-the-counter drugs, recreational drugs, herbal remedies, and oral embellishment; and (6) how to adapt the message to the audience through cultural sensitivity and communication. A final session

provides a review, resources, and wrap-up materials and messages. Information about additional activities is also provided. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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DIET AND NUTRITION IN ORAL HEALTH

Palmer CA. 2003. *Diet and Nutrition in Oral Health*. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall. 384 pp.

This book is designed to help oral health professionals provide those they serve with nutritional guidance. The book includes (1) information about the relationship between nutritional health, oral health, and general health; (2) guidelines for implementing diet screening and guidance in clinical practice; and (3) practical suggestions to help individuals with various oral conditions improve their diets. The book is divided into four sections. Section 1 provides core information on the basic concepts of human nutrition and their relevance to oral health practice. Section 2 focuses on special nutritional issues and oral conditions. Section 3 provides oral health nutrition information from a life cycle perspective. Section 4 provides the nuts and bolts of integrating meaningful nutrition care into oral health practice. Case studies, food guides and dietary guidelines, sample diet screening and assessment forms, and food composition resources are included as appendices.

Contact: Prentice Hall, Inc., One Lake Street, Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458. Fax: (800) 835-5327; e-mail: linda.bennani@pearsoned.com; Web site: <http://www.prenhall.com>. \$52.60, plus shipping and handling. ISBN 0-13-031384-X.

FILLING THE GAP: ORAL HEALTH AND KANSAS CHILDREN—A CURRICULUM FOR THOSE WHO CARE ABOUT THE HEALTH OF CHILDREN

Kansas Child Care Training Opportunities, ed. 2004. *Filling the Gap: Oral Health and Kansas Children—A Curriculum for Those Who Care About the Health of Children*. Manhattan, KS: Kansas Child Care Training Opportunities. 3 items.

This kit comprises materials from a 6-hour course for child care providers, presented in two lessons, that focuses on the ways in which oral health is important to general health, well-being, and quality of life for all children. The curriculum identifies best practices for oral health education for child care providers, identifies child oral health concerns, makes providers aware of oral injuries that can occur, and embraces parents and community health members as oral health partners. The kit contains a trainer manual, a caregiver book, and a videotape. The videotape, titled *Filling the Gap: Oral Health and Kansas Children*, is in English and Spanish.

Contact: Kansas Child Care Training Opportunities, Kansas State University, Dole Hall, 2323 Anderson Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502-2312. Telephone: (785) 532-7197, (800) 227-3578; fax: (785) 532-7732; e-mail: baileyg@ksu.edu; Web site: <http://www.kccto.org>. \$15 for each manual or videotape; \$45 for complete set, prepayment required by check or money order.

METHAMPHETAMINE USE

American Dental Association. 2005. *Methamphetamine Use*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 1 pp.

This fact sheet for oral health professionals provides information about the relationship between methamphetamine use and oral health. An overview offers information on street names for methamphetamine; a drug description; the mechanism of action; and cerebral, systemic, and oral effects. A methamphetamine user profile is included, as are tips about what oral health professionals should look for and what they can do when they suspect methamphetamine use.

Contact: American Dental Association, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678. Telephone: (312) 440-2500; fax: (312) 440-7494; e-mail: info@ada.org; Web site: <http://www.ada.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.ada.org/prof/resources/topics/methmouth.asp>.

NUTRITION AND ORAL HEALTH FOR CHILDREN

University of Washington, Center on Human Development and Disability. 2005. *Nutrition and Oral Health for Children*. Seattle, WA: University of Washington, Center on Human Development and Disability. Online curriculum.

This online curriculum is designed for health professionals who wish to learn more about nutrition and oral health for children, including children with special health care needs. The curriculum contains five modules: (1) typical oral health development in children, (2) nutrition-related risk factors for dental caries, (3) influence of special health care needs on oral health, (4) prevention of nutrition-related oral health problems, and (5) screening for nutrition-related oral health problems. Also included are a section on using the modules and a credits and acknowledgments section. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Beth Ogata. Pacific West MCH Distance Learning Network, University of Washington, Center on Human Development and Disability, Box 357920, Seattle, WA 98195-7920. Telephone: (206) 543-7701; e-mail: pwdlearn@u.washington.edu, bogata@u.washington.edu; Web site: <http://depts.washington.edu/chdd>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://depts.washington.edu/pwdlearn/oral.htm>.

ORAL HEALTH CARE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: AN ONLINE CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE

Burtner P. 2004. *Oral Health Care for Persons with Disabilities: An Online Continuing Education Course*. Gainesville, FL: University of Florida College of Dentistry, Department of Pediatric Dentistry. Online curriculum.

This online continuing education course for oral health professionals presents information on issues associated with providing oral health care to individuals with disabilities. Topics include demographic and social status, barriers to accessing oral health care, oral health considerations with major disabling conditions, and practical clinical information that will assist general dentists in safely providing appropriate oral health care to individuals with disabilities. Modules cover definitions, physical disorders, mental disorders, traumatic injuries, substance abuse, general management issues, and providing specific treatment. The course also includes an overview of the educational goals and course content as well as a glossary and links.

Contact: Marcio Guelmann. University of Florida College of Dentistry, Department of Pediatric Dentistry, 1600 South West Archer Road, Box 100434, Gainesville, FL 32610-0434. Telephone: (352) 392-4131; fax: (352) 846-2738; e-mail: mguelmann@

dental.ufl.edu; Web site: <http://www.dental.ufl.edu/Offices/Pediatric>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.dental.ufl.edu/faculty/pburner/disabilities/english/titlepag.htm>.

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ORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS: RESOURCE GUIDE

National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 2005. *Oral Health Services for Children and Adolescents with Special Health Care Needs: Resource Guide*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 26 pp.

This guide is intended to inform professionals, program administrators, educators, policymakers, and others working in states and communities in planning, developing, and implementing efforts to ensure that children and adolescents with special health care needs receive optimal oral health care. The guide is divided into the following three sections: (1) journal articles; (2) books, reports, curricula, manuals, modules, guidelines, papers, fact and tip sheets, and CD-ROMs; and (3) agencies and organizations that may serve as resources. Entries contain bibliographic information, an annotation, and contact information. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: HRSA Information Center, 22815 Glenn Drive, Suite 103, Sterling, VA 20164. Telephone: (888) ASK-HRSA (275-4772), (877) 474-4772; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: ask@hrsa.gov; Web site: <http://www.ask.hrsa.gov>. Available at no charge. Document code: MCH00159. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/SHCNResGuide.pdf>.

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PRACTICAL PROTOCOLS FOR THE PREVENTION OF DENTAL DISEASE IN COMMUNITY SETTINGS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Glassman P, ed. 2003. Practical protocols for the prevention of dental disease in community settings for people with special needs. *Special Care in Dentistry* 23(Suppl. 5):157-188.

This special supplement of *Special Care in Dentistry* presents protocols from a conference held on February 1, 2002, in San Francisco, California. Topics include risk assessment, chlorhexidine mouth rinses, xylitol

chewing gum, topical fluoride and fluoride varnish applications, and methods to control or treat periodontal disease. The supplement also presents information on next steps, including the design of an implementation and dissemination strategy to encourage nurses, case managers, social workers, caregivers, and others to use the protocols. A plan will also be implemented to increase awareness of the interventions through professional publications and educational opportunities.

Contact: Special Care Dentistry, 401 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: (312) 527-6764; fax: (312) 673-6663; e-mail: SCD@SCDonline.org; Web site: <http://www.SCDonline.org>. \$25 (domestic); \$30 (international).

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PRINCIPLES OF ORAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT FOR THE ADULT AND CHILD WITH HIV/AIDS: A COURSE OF TRAINING FOR THE ORAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL

Abel SN, Acs GC, Cleveland JL, Croser D, Fischman SL, Flaitz CM, Glick M, Jandinski JJ, Ng MW, Phelan JA, Rubin M, eds. 2003. *Principles of Oral Health Management for the Adult and Child with HIV/AIDS: A Course of Training for the Oral Health Professional*. Centerport, NY: Dental Alliance for AIDS/HIV Care. 1 CD-ROM, 92 pp. (print version of training course for oral health professionals published in 2000).

This CD-ROM includes three components: (1) a training course for oral health professionals, (2) oral health information for adults living with HIV/AIDS, and (3) oral health information for children living with HIV/AIDS. Topics include the health inventory and review of medically relevant information; oral manifestations of HIV, including clinical characteristics, diagnosis, and treatment recommendations; legal issues; special considerations; and management and evaluation of occupational exposures. The content is available in English and Spanish. The training course for oral health professionals is also available as a print publication.

Contact: HRSA Information Center, 22815 Glenn Drive, Suite 103, Sterling, VA 20164. Telephone: (888) ASK-HRSA (275-4772), (877) 474-4772; fax: (703) 821-2098; e-mail: ask@hrsa.gov; Web site: <http://www.ask.hrsa.gov>. Available at no charge. Document code: HAB00329 (CD-ROM), HAB00230 (2000 print publication).

PROMOTING ORAL HEALTH: THE USE OF SALT FLUORIDATION TO PREVENT DENTAL CARIES

Estupiñan-Day S. 2005. *Promoting Oral Health: The Use of Salt Fluoridation to Prevent Dental Caries*. Washington, DC: Pan American Health Organization. 128 pp.

This book for policymakers, health planners, and health workers describes the history, process, and implementation of salt fluoridation for the reduction of dental caries and improvement of oral health in Central and South America. Section 1 reviews the history, from first attempts in Europe to success in Europe and the Americas. Section 2 describes how to plan, launch, run, monitor, and evaluate salt fluoridation programs. Section 3 presents recommendations for launching a salt fluoridation program, blueprints for proposing and enacting legislation, and detailed standardized research protocols and sample forms for conducting epidemiological research.

Contact: Pan American Health Organization, 525 23rd Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20037. Telephone: (202) 974-3504; fax: (202) 974-3694; Web site: <http://www.paho.org>. \$28, plus \$6 shipping and handling. ISBN 92-75-11615-6.

UNDERSTANDING HEALTH LITERACY: IMPLICATIONS FOR MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Schwartzberg JG, VanGeest JB, Wang CC, eds. 2005. *Understanding Health Literacy: Implications for Medicine and Public Health*. Chicago, IL: American Medical Association. 253 pp.

This textbook presents health literacy findings for researchers and educators in medicine, public health, nursing, pharmacy, and related fields, as well as for public health professionals and policymakers. The textbook is organized into 12 chapters, which are divided into four sections. Section 1 introduces the factors that determine whether health literacy is achieved. Section 2 focuses on individuals' literacy skills in relation to literacy demands encountered in health care. Section 3 describes how health literacy influences communication between health professionals and those they serve. Section 4 presents a framework for understanding how low health literacy might influence health outcomes, associated research, and the literacy assessments that are instrumental to this research.

Contact: American Medical Association, 515 North State Street, Chicago, IL 60610. Telephone: (312) 464-

5000; fax: (312) 464-4184; Web site: <http://www.ama-assn.org>. \$55.00, plus shipping and handling. ISBN 1-57947-630-9.

PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY-BASED ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS: LESSONS FROM THREE INNOVATIVE MODELS

Silow-Carroll S, Alteras T. 2004. *Community-Based Oral Health Programs: Lessons from Three Innovative Models*. Battle Creek, MI: W. K. Kellogg Foundation. 68 pp.

This report presents case studies of three community-based programs intended to improve the oral health of vulnerable populations: (1) ABCD/ABCDE/Kids Get Care, Washington; (2) Apple Tree Dental, Minnesota; and (3) Community DentCare, New York. The report's intent is to foster replication, adaptation, and expansion of these models for the purposes of promoting oral health, improving quality of life, and eliminating oral health disparities. The case studies describe the programs' activities, conditions that facilitated development and implementation, financing sources, challenges and how they have been addressed, accomplishments, and lessons learned. The case studies also discuss the programs' potential to be sustained and replicated in other communities. Statistical information is presented in figures throughout the report. For each program, a table summarizes key program features.

Contact: W. K. Kellogg Foundation, One Michigan Avenue, East, Battle Creek, MI 49017-4058. Telephone: (616) 968-1611, (800) 819-9997; fax: (616) 968-0413; Web site: <http://www.wkkf.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.wkkf.org/Pubs/Health/WKKF_Oral_Health_Report_00250_03765.pdf.

GUIDELINES FOR STATE AND TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS (REV. ED.)

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2005. *Guidelines for State and Territorial Oral Health Programs* (rev. ed.). Jefferson City, MO: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 30 pp.

These revised guidelines are divided into the following four sections: (1) current oral health issues, (2) capacity and infrastructure, (3) guidelines on essential public

health services to promote oral health in the United States, and (4) a guideline matrix of examples of essential public health services activities. Also included are appendices listing project advisers and 10 essential elements to build infrastructure and capacity.

Contact: Dean Perkins. Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, 322 Cannondale Road, Jefferson City, MO 65109. Telephone: (573) 636-0453; fax: (573) 636-0454; e-mail: dperkins@astdd.org; Web site: <http://www.astdd.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.astdd.org/docs/ASTDD_Guidelines_BestPracLinksMay2005rev7final6.29.2005.pdf.

through May 2, 2004, in Pittsburg, Kansas. The report discusses methods and results (client demographics, dental insurance status, access and needs, and outreach) and provides a summary and a conclusion. Statistical information is presented in figures and tables throughout the report. The report includes two appendices: the KMOM client survey and comments from the survey.

Contact: Kansas Health Institute, 212 Southwest Eighth Avenue, Suite 3001, Topeka, KS 66603-3936. Telephone: (785) 233-5443; fax: (785) 233-1163; e-mail: mailbox@khi.org; Web site: <http://www.khi.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.khi.org/KMOM/Pittsburg.pdf>.

KANSAS MISSION OF MERCY DENTAL CLINIC CLIENTS: A SUMMARY OF FINDINGS BASED ON EXIT SURVEYS

Betley CL. 2003. *Kansas Mission of Mercy Dental Clinic Clients: A Summary of Findings Based on Exit Surveys*. Topeka, KS: Kansas Health Institute. 12 pp.

This report, which is based on client exit surveys, describes the experiences and characteristics of one of three free dental clinics run by the Kansas Mission of Mercy. The clinic was held on February 28 through March 2, 2003, in Garden City, Kansas. The report discusses client demographics, measures of services used, and measures of oral health care needed. Client satisfaction and data and survey limitations are also discussed. Statistical information is presented in figures and tables throughout the report.

Contact: Kansas Health Institute, 212 Southwest Eighth Avenue, Suite 3001, Topeka, KS 66603-3936. Telephone: (785) 233-5443; fax: (785) 233-1163; e-mail: mailbox@khi.org; Web site: <http://www.khi.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.khi.org/KMOM/Garden_City.pdf.

KANSAS MISSION OF MERCY: WYANDOTTE—PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS, NEEDS, AND SATISFACTION

Betley CL. 2003. *Kansas Mission of Mercy: Wyandotte—Patient Characteristics, Needs, and Satisfaction*. Topeka, KS: Kansas Health Institute. 38 pp.

This report, which is based on exit surveys of clinic clients, describes the experiences and characteristics of one of three free dental clinics run by the Kansas Mission of Mercy (KMOM). The clinic was held on August 22–24, 2003, in Wyandotte County, Kansas. The report discusses the methods and the results (client demographics and client needs and services) and provides a conclusion. Statistical information is presented in figures and tables throughout the report. The report includes two appendices: the KMOM client survey and comments from the survey.

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KANSAS MISSION OF MERCY: PITTSBURG—PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS, NEEDS, AND SATISFACTION

Reichard A. 2004. *Kansas Mission of Mercy: Pittsburg—Patient Characteristics, Needs, and Satisfaction*. Topeka, KS: Kansas Health Institute. 23 pp.

This final report, which is based on a client survey, describes the experiences and characteristics of one of three free dental clinics run by the Kansas Mission of Mercy (KMOM). The clinic was held on April 30

LOCAL CLINICAL DIRECTOR'S HANDBOOK (REV. ED.)

Special Olympics, Healthy Athletes, Special Smiles. 2004. *Local Clinical Director's Handbook* (rev. ed.). Washington, DC: Special Olympics, Healthy Athletes, Special Smiles. 49 pp.

This booklet provides information for volunteers about implementing Special Olympics, Healthy Athletes, Special Smiles' oral health screening events. Topics

include volunteer recruitment and responsibilities, research data collection, fundraising, supply management, and publicity. The appendix includes contact information and master forms and handouts.

Contact: Special Olympics, Healthy Athletes, Special Smiles, 1133 19th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 628-3630; fax: (202) 824-0200; e-mail: info@specialolympics.org; Web site: http://www.specialolympics.org/special+olympics+public+website/english/initiatives/healthy_athletes/special+smiles/default.htm. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.specialolympics.org/NR/rdonlyres/eroaxuczjzetntwcmxc3eb6vlgqyy3xyigv23177rwc2fhebqjqsftcjbyyp6woghzpdcugf4s23jgow7ifblnmbe/HA_SS+Local+Coord%2e+Hdbk.pdf.

PRENATAL PROVIDER PACKET “GOOD HEALTH STARTS WITH A SMART MOUTH”

Oral Health Awareness Colorado! 2004. *Prenatal Provider Packet “Good Health Starts with a Smart Mouth.”* Denver, CO: Oral Health Awareness Colorado! 7 items.

This packet of information, intended for use by health professionals who provide prenatal care to women in Colorado, discusses the importance of oral health for pregnant women and contains key messages to impart to women about caring for their own oral health. The package contains a cover letter, health professional reference guides, a client brochure, a policy brief, an evaluation form, and a materials order form. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center, Georgetown University, Box 571272, Washington, DC 20057-1272. Telephone: (202) 784-9771; fax: (202) 784-9777; e-mail: info@mchoralhealth.org; Web site: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Single photocopy available at no charge.

SAMPLE DENTAL SEALANT AGENCY PROTOCOL

Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, Division of Public Health. 2005. *Sample Dental Sealant Agency Protocol*. Madison, WI: Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, Division of Public Health. 15 pp.

These sample agency protocols can serve as blueprints for dental sealant application programs for children in public health settings. The purpose of the samples is to

provide local health departments with examples that they can adapt for their particular settings. Included in the sample protocols are sample policies, sample procedures, standing medical orders, and resources.

Contact: Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, One West Wilson Street, P.O. Box 2659, Madison, WI 53701-2659. Telephone: (608) 266-1251; fax: (608) 267-2832; e-mail: webmaster@dhfs.state.wi.us; Web site: <http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/health/Oral_Health/pdf_files/sealantprotocol42505.pdf.

SANTA CLARA HEALTHY KIDS PROGRAM REDUCES GAPS IN CHILDREN’S ACCESS TO MEDICAL AND DENTAL CARE

Trenholm C, Howell E, Hughes D, Orzol S. 2005. *Santa Clara Healthy Kids Program Reduces Gaps in Children’s Access to Medical and Dental Care*. Princeton, NJ: Mathematica. 6 pp.

This brief presents findings from a survey of families with children enrolled in the Healthy Kids program in Santa Clara County, California. The brief includes information on the children enrolled in Healthy Kids and the program’s impact on health services. Policy implications and the survey methodology are also discussed. Statistical information is provided in several figures in the report.

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

TRAINING MANUAL FOR STANDARDIZED ORAL HEALTH SCREENING (REV. ED.)

White JA, Beltran ED, Perlman S. 2004. *Training Manual for Standardized Oral Health Screening* (rev. ed.). Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease and Health Promotion, Oral Health Division. 42 pp.

This manual provides guidelines for collecting consistent oral health data from athletes during Special Olympics, Healthy Athletes, Special Smiles screenings.

The manual discusses the importance of data standardization and presents information for coordinators, screeners, and recorders. The Healthy Athletes Software System form, instructions for training sessions, practice tests, a data cover sheet, and contact information are also included.

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STATE REPORTS

ANNUAL SYNOPSES OF STATE AND TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS: FIVE-YEAR TRENDS REPORT, 1998–2002

White JA, Barker L, Lockwood SA. 2004. *Annual Synopses of State and Territorial Oral Health Programs: Five-Year Trends Report, 1998–2002*. Jefferson City, MO: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 126 pp., exec. summ. (15 pp.).

This report examines 5 years of data from annual summaries or synopses of oral health activities conducted in each state from 1998 through 2002. The report highlights trends in the areas of oral health infrastructure and work force, oral health program administration, and programs or activities. The report discusses the data categories, data collection, and limitations of the data; summarizes the data; presents conclusions; and discusses future directions for the annual synopses. Appendices provide (1) summary and state-specific data on each topic, (2) technical notes related to the data, (3) a nonresponse list and summary, and (4) a list of items included in the synopses.

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ASSESSING NEW MEXICO'S CAPACITY TO INITIATE AN ORAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM: WHERE DO WE STAND?—A REPORT TO THE NEW MEXICO ORAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM ADVISORY COUNCIL

Cahill AG. 2004. *Assessing New Mexico's Capacity to Initiate an Oral Health Surveillance System: Where Do We Stand?—A Report to the New Mexico Oral Health Surveillance System Advisory Council*. Albuquerque, NM: University of New Mexico, Center for Development and Disability. 22 pp.

This report describes tasks undertaken to determine whether New Mexico has an oral health surveillance system in place or the capacity to develop one in the future. The report provides definitions of "surveillance system" and a table of potential oral health data sources, describes the data, and recommends next steps. The appendix provides a summary of selected data sets.

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CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS: ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE, WELL CHILD CARE, IMMUNIZATIONS, AND DENTAL CARE

Minnesota Department of Health. 2004. *Children and Adolescents: Access to Health Care, Well Child Care, Immunizations, and Dental Care*. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Department of Health. 7 pp.

This fact sheet outlines access to care issues for children and adolescents in Minnesota, a chosen priority issue for the 2005 Title V Block Grant needs assessment reporting requirement. Topics include access to well child care, immunizations, and oral health care. The magnitude and seriousness of the problem, interventions, and state programs and strategies are addressed. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Minnesota Department of Health, Maternal and Child Health Section, P.O. Box 64882, 85 East Seventh Place, Suite 400, St. Paul, MN 55164. Telephone: (651) 215-8960; Web site: <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh/mch>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/cfh/na/factsheets/allcare.html>.

CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS: DENTAL HEALTH FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

Minnesota Department of Health. 2004. *Children and Adolescents: Dental Health for Children and Adolescents*. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Department of Health. 3 pp.

This fact sheet outlines the oral health and oral-health-related service needs of children and adolescents in Minnesota, a chosen priority issue for the 2005 Title V Block Grant needs assessment reporting requirement. Topics include populations of children at risk for tooth decay, disparities, effective interventions, considerations for treating adolescents, and state programs and strategies to increase access to oral health services for children and adolescents. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH NEEDS: ORAL HEALTH

Minnesota Department of Health. 2004. *Children with Special Health Needs: Oral Health*. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Department of Health. 3 pp.

This fact sheet outlines the oral health and oral-health-related service needs of children and adolescents with special health care needs (SHCN) in Minnesota, a chosen priority issue for the 2005 Title V Block Grant needs assessment reporting requirement. Topics include the magnitude and seriousness of the problem, interventions to increase awareness of oral health among caregivers of children and adolescents with SHCN, interventions to improve the capacity of oral health professionals to care for children and adolescents with SHCN, and state efforts to eliminate oral health disparities and improve oral health and access to care for children and adolescents with SHCN. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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from the Web site at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/cfh/na/factsheets/oralhealth.html>.

DENTAL CARE: ACCESS, USE AND COST OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN IN HAWK-I—REPORT TO THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Damiano PC, Momany ET, Flach SD, Carter K, Jones MP. 2005. *Dental Care: Access, Use and Cost of Services for Children in Hawk-I—Report to the Iowa Department of Human Services*. Iowa City, IA: University of Iowa, Public Policy Center, Health Policy Research Program. 66 pp.

This report presents results from a study of Iowa's Medicaid and State Children's Health Insurance Program (hawk-i) child oral health services. Topics include the types of services children receive, how soon they receive them after enrollment, and the cost of the services. A discussion of policy implications and research limitations is also presented. The appendices include a list of dental procedure codes, statistics on dental visits, and a table showing oral health costs in the hawk-i program. Additional statistical information is provided in charts, tables, and graphs throughout the report.

Contact: Peter Damiano. University of Iowa, Public Policy Center, Health Policy Research Program, 227 South Quadrangle, Iowa City, IA 52242. Telephone: (319) 335-6813; fax: 319/335-6801; e-mail: peter-damiano@uiowa.edu; Web site: <http://ppc.uiowa.edu>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://ppc.uiowa.edu/health/dentalcare/hawk-i-Dental-Report.pdf>.

IMPACT OF ORAL DISEASE ON THE HEALTH OF COLORADANS

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Oral Health Program. 2005. *Impact of Oral Disease on the Health of Coloradans*. Denver, CO: Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Oral Health Program. 33 pp.

This report highlights oral health data from the Colorado Oral Health Surveillance System, including screening data from a 2004 random sample of kindergarten and third-grade students in the state, and an analysis of data from the Colorado Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System over several years. The

report also addresses the effects that oral diseases have on Coloradans' overall health, including the effects of oral disease on pregnancy, tobacco-related illnesses, and quality of life; oral health status; risk reduction; work force and access; successes in the state; and future considerations. Report sections also include an introduction to oral health data in Colorado, demographics, and references. Statistical information is provided in charts, graphs, tables, and maps throughout the report. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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THE OHIO (ORAL HEALTH ISN'T OPTIONAL) INITIATIVE: YEAR IV ACTION PLAN AND TRACKING REPORT

Siegal MD, Cole SL. 2003. *The OHIO (Oral Health Isn't Optional) Initiative: Year IV Action Plan and Tracking Report*. Columbus, OH: Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Oral Health Services. 9 pp.

This document presents oral health action plan items for Ohio, outlines the individual objectives, and describes activities and their progress. Objectives include reporting on access to oral health care issues, implementing and promoting the Ohio Initiative plan, supporting community partnerships, building capacity to provide technical assistance to communities, maintaining vendor contacts, providing funding to increase access to oral health care, and conducting assessments for developing a model that can be pilot-tested in Ohio.

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OKLAHOMA CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH COALITION ORAL HEALTH FORUM MARKET RESEARCH STUDY: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Insight Market Research and Consulting. 2005. *Oklahoma Children's Oral Health Coalition Oral Health Forum Market Research Study: Executive Summary*. Oklahoma City, OK: Insight Market Research and Consulting. 57 pp.

This executive summary describes a study to evaluate the effectiveness of the 2003 Children's Oral Health Forum in creating better oral health care opportunities for children in Oklahoma. Specifically, the study addressed the problems and barriers that lead to inadequate access to oral health care among children in Oklahoma, and existing and potential solutions to overcoming these problems. Issues are described in the following areas: work force and provider, community resources, and legislative and education. The survey methodology is described, conclusions are offered, and statistical information is provided throughout the report.

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ORAL HEALTH: A STATE PLAN FOR SOUTH CAROLINA 2004-2009

South Carolina Oral Health Advisory Council. 2004. *Oral Health: A State Plan for South Carolina 2004-2009*. Columbia, SC: South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Oral Health Advisory Council. 52 pp.

This plan describes the burden of oral disease in South Carolina, the collaborative process used to develop a comprehensive action plan, a vision statement with an action plan, and methods to evaluation plan outcomes. The plan describes five priorities: (1) policy and advocacy, (2) prevention and education, (3) public oral health infrastructure, (4) oral health work force development, and (5) access to oral health. The description of each priority includes strategies and action steps. Four appendices include findings and action steps from *Oral Health in America: A Report of the Surgeon General*, a South Carolina oral health needs assessment, a list of advisory council members, and a list of coalition members.

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**PREGNANT WOMEN, MOTHERS, AND INFANTS:
DENTAL HEALTH FOR WOMEN**

Minnesota Department of Health. 2004. *Pregnant Women, Mothers, and Infants: Dental Health for Women*. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Department of Health. 2 pp.

This fact sheet outlines the oral health and oral-health-related service needs of pregnant women, mothers, and infants in Minnesota, a chosen priority issue for the 2005 Title V Block Grant needs assessment reporting requirement. The fact sheet addresses the following topics: the magnitude and seriousness of the problem; interventions to increase access to oral health services and integrate oral health care within the current system of care accessed by women throughout their lives; the effectiveness of specific interventions; and state programs and strategies to increase access to oral health services for women of childbearing age. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Minnesota Department of Health, Maternal and Child Health Section, P.O. Box 64882, 85 East Seventh Place, Suite 400, St. Paul, MN 55164. Telephone: (651) 215-8960; Web site: <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh/mch>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/cfh/na/factsheets/pwmi/dentalhealth.html>.

**PRIMARY CARE: HEALTH PROFESSIONAL
UNDERSERVED AREAS REPORT**

Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Office of Local and Rural Health. 2004. *Primary Care: Health Professional Underserved Areas Report*. Topeka, KS: Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Office of Local and Rural Health. 31 pp.

This annual report provides data on health professional shortage designations in Kansas. Professionals discussed include primary care, oral health, and mental health professionals. The report includes a definition of each of the various federal and state underserved designa-

tions, an explanation of the qualifying criteria for each, a summary of the benefits to counties or individuals available within each designation, contact information for each program, and an indication of which counties qualified for each designation as of July 2004. The report also provides details on state and federal government programs, including several new programs created to address the problems of health professional supply and to improve health care access for all Kansans.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH'S
TASK FORCE ON ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE**

Ohio Director of Health's Task Force on Access to Dental Care. 2004. *Recommendations of the Director of Health's Task Force on Access to Dental Care*. Columbus, OH: Ohio Department of Health. 17 pp.

This report highlights accomplishments of the Ohio Director of Health's Task Force on Access to Dental Care since the initiation of deliberations in 2000. The report also issues the task force recommendations for 2004. Baseline (FY 1999) and comparison (FY 2002) data on Medicaid expenditures for oral health services, as well as data on grant funding for oral health programs, safety net primary oral health care clinics, and school-based dental sealant programs, are presented. Recommendations are provided in four areas, including Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program, the oral health care delivery system, community partnerships and the community-level oral health infrastructure, and public awareness.

Contact: Ohio Department of Health, 246 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43215. Telephone: (614) 466-3543; Web site: <http://www.odh.state.oh.us>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.odh.ohio.gov/pdf/oral/rpt2000/dtfrpt04.pdf>.

RESULTS OF THE 2004 ORAL HEALTH SURVEY OF ALASKAN THIRD GRADERS: ALASKA ORAL HEALTH BASIC SCREENING SURVEY

Hardison JD. 2005. *Results of the 2004 Oral Health Survey of Alaskan Third Graders: Alaska Oral Health Basic Screening Survey*. Juneau, AK: Alaska Division of Health Care Services, Oral Health Program. 95 pp.

This report provides data on the visual oral health assessment and disease surveillance of third-grade children from a random sample of Alaska's elementary schools in 2004. Information is included for demographics; frequency of tooth pain, dental insurance, ability to obtain oral health care, and dental caries experience; variables and differences by region, gender, race, ethnicity, and dental insurance status; clinical variables such as untreated dental caries, caries experience, and sealants of permanent molars; and differences by Denali KidCare and Medicaid status. Appendices provide additional detailed statistical information and analysis. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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SCHOOL ORAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT: REPORT OF FINDINGS—CUMULATIVE DATA 2002–2004

Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. 2004. *School Oral Health Assessment: Report of Findings—Cumulative Data 2002–2004*. Helena, MT: Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. 5 pp.

This report provides findings on the oral health status of children receiving oral health screenings in Montana. The assessment used the Basic Screening Survey that the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors developed for use by screeners with or without oral health backgrounds. The report includes background, a map of Montana's health regions, and Montana health region survey results.

Contact: Cheri Seed. Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, 1400 Broadway, Helena, MT 59620-0901. Telephone: (406) 444-0276; fax: (406) 444-2606; e-mail: cseed@mt.gov; Web site:

<http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/PHSD/family-health/oral-health/family-oralHealth-index.shtml>. Available at no charge.

SMILES ACROSS KANSAS: 2004—THE ORAL HEALTH OF KANSAS CHILDREN

Kimminau KS, Huang C, McGlasson D, Kim J. 2005. *Smiles Across Kansas: 2004—The Oral Health of Kansas Children*. Topeka, KS: Kansas Department of Health and the Environment, Division of Health. 45 pp.

This report focuses on the Smiles Across Kansas project, the purpose of which was to complete a comprehensive oral health survey of third-grade children in Kansas. The report discusses (1) key findings in the following areas: tooth decay, untreated tooth decay, dental sealants, dental insurance, time and reason for last dental visit, and urban and rural and income disparities and (2) strategies, policies, and promising practices in other states. A discussion and implications, recommendations, and methods and research design are also included. Statistical information is presented in figures throughout the report, as well as in data tables. The report includes four appendices that contain consent, screening, and screening results forms and information about population density peer groups and regional groups.

Contact: Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Division of Health, Landon State Office Building, 900 Southwest Jackson Street, Topeka, KS 66612-1290. Telephone: (785) 296-1343. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us/ohi/download/smiles_across_kansas_2004.pdf.

SOUTH DAKOTA DENTAL ASSOCIATION FOCUS GROUP REPORT: PEDIATRIC DENTAL CARE ACCESS AND PRACTICE

Sumption and Wyland. 2005. *South Dakota Dental Association Focus Group Report: Pediatric Dental Care Access and Practice*. Sioux Falls, SD: Sumption and Wyland. 6 pp.

This report provides results of a May 2005 survey of a focus group of South Dakota dentists and dental office staff. Issues described in the report include (1) a bias against Medicaid recipients, (2) how reimbursement and regulation rules deter health professionals from serving Medicaid recipients, (3) the importance of

prevention education, (4) the challenge of collaborating with the medical community, and (5) new resources needed to meet the needs of children and adults. The report also includes focus group questions.

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