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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.

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

BABY ORAL HEALTH: PREGNANCY THROUGH CHILDHOOD

University of Toronto, Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry. 2005. *Baby Oral Health: Pregnancy Through Childhood*. Toronto, Ontario, Canada: University of Toronto, Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry. 1 videotape (19 minutes).

This educational videotape is geared toward parents and other caregivers of infants and young children. It is intended to answer the most common questions about infants' and children's oral health. Topics include (1) the role of healthy pregnancy in the development of primary teeth, (2) stages of tooth development, (3) nutrition, (4) oral hygiene, (5) fluoride, (6) bacteria in the mouth, (7) night feeding habits, (8) tooth decay, (9) oral habits, (10) prevention of injuries, (11) the infant's first oral health visit, and (12) regular oral health visits.

Contact: University of Toronto, Faculty of Dentistry, 124 Edward Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5G 1G6. Telephone: (416) 979-4900; Web site: <http://www.utoronto.ca/dentistry>. \$22. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.utoronto.ca/dentistry/newsresources/kids/index.html>.

EPSDT: SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Knipper S. 2004. *EPSDT: Supporting Children with Disabilities*. Tualatin, OR: National Center for Family Support. 37 pp.

This booklet is designed to help parents who have a child with special health care needs better understand the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) program and Medicaid in general. The booklet explains what EPSDT is and discusses service delivery, limits on services, eligibility, Medicaid and immigration, the EPSDT process, grievances and appeals, and typical areas of confusion. Some information is presented in tables and figures. The booklet includes two appendices: the Michigan age periodicity scale and additional resources.

Contact: National Center for Family Support, Human Services Research Institute, 7420 Southwest Bridgeport Road, Suite 210, Portland, OR 97224. Telephone: (503) 924-3783; fax: (503) 927-3789; e-mail: melda@hsri.org; Web site: <http://www.family-support-hsri.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.family-support-hsri.org/resources/EPSTDT.pdf>.

FACT SHEETS FOR FAMILIES

California Childcare Health Program. 2004. *Fact Sheets for Families*. Oakland, CA: California Childcare Health Program. 1 p. each.

These fact sheets for families cover a wide range of health and safety issues. They are written in easy-to-understand language and are tailored to the perspectives of families. They are designed to be distributed to families directly by child care professionals. Topics covered include allergies, brain and behavioral health, healthy environment, illnesses and conditions, injury prevention, nutrition and medications, oral health, parental health, poisoning, and children with special health care needs. The fact sheets are available in English and Spanish.

Contact: California Childcare Health Program, 1333 Broadway, Suite 1010, Oakland, CA 94612-1926. Telephone: (510) 839-1195; fax: (510) 839-0330; Web site: <http://www.ucsfchildcarehealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.ucsfchildcarehealth.org/html/pandr/factsheetsmain.htm>.

HEALTHY SMILES FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM

Children's Hospital and Health Center, Anderson Center for Dental Care. 2005. *Healthy Smiles for Children with Autism*. San Diego, CA: Children's Hospital and Health Center, Anderson Center for Dental Care. 2 pp.

This tip sheet for parents provides information on early childhood caries (ECC) and its prevalence among children in general and among children with autism in particular. The tip sheet offers ideas on how to prevent ECC and recommends having children drink from a

cup as soon as possible and eat healthy snacks, checking teeth for spots, introducing new textures, and taking children to visit the dentist. Additional information is provided on oral sensitivities and toothbrushing techniques for children with autism. Organizational resources for additional information are also provided. The tip sheet is available in English and Spanish.

Contact: Children's Hospital and Health Center, Anderson Center for Dental Care, 3020 Children's Way, San Diego, CA 92123. Telephone: (858) 576-1700; (800) 788-9029; e-mail: refsvc@chsd.org; Web site: <http://www.chsd.org/body.cfm?id=255>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.chsd.org/documents/Autism/dentalpamphlet.pdf> (English) and http://www.chsd.org/documents/Autism/dentalpamphlet_esp.pdf (Spanish).

HEALTHY SMILES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Iowa Healthy Smiles. 2005. *Healthy Smiles for Young Children*. Des Moines, IA: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 100 pp., 8 items.

This kit comprises a series of learning modules about pregnancy and oral health and about early childhood and oral health. The modules, which are intended for parent educators, including home visitors from Early Head Start and other organizations that support healthy pregnancy, provide a basis that home visitors can use during education and training of pregnant women. Topics covered include (1) effects of the mother's oral health on the fetus and newborn, (2) effects of pregnancy on oral health, (3) oral health care during pregnancy, (4) gingivitis and periodontitis, (5) oral hygiene habits, (6) actions steps to a healthier mouth, and (7) nutrition. Also included in the kit are a variety of booklets and brochures about oral health during pregnancy and oral health for infants and children, a tip sheet for Early Head Start staff about working with health professionals to improve access to oral health care, and a flip chart with color photographs about oral health during pregnancy and childhood.

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HEALTHY TEETH BEGIN AT BIRTH

First Smiles Education and Training Project. 2005. *Healthy Teeth Begin at Birth*. Oakland, CA: Dental Health Foundation. 2 pp.

This brochure for parents explains the importance of primary teeth and early oral health care. Tips are provided that parents can use both before and after a child's teeth have erupted. Tips include information about the importance of visiting the dentist before age 1 and about the roles of fluoride and healthy eating in good oral health. The brochure is available in Armenian, Cambodian, Chinese, English, Hmong, Korean, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

Contact: Janet Tsao. Dental Health Foundation, First 5 California Oral Health Education and Training Project, 520 Third Street, Suite 205, Oakland, CA 94607. Telephone: (510) 663-3727; fax: (510) 663-3733; e-mail: info@tdhf.org; Web site: <http://www.first5oralhealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.first5oralhealth.org/page.asp?page_id=428.

IMPROVING WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH

Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Oral Health. 2005. *Improving Women's and Children's Oral Health*. Springfield, IL: Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Oral Health. 32 pp.

This illustrated flipchart provides information for new mothers and other women on the importance of good oral health during pregnancy and of preventing early childhood caries (ECC). Sections summarize issues related to tooth decay, periodontal disease, pregnancy and oral health, brushing, flossing, ECC, fluoride, dental sealants, and visiting the dentist, and provide tips for cleaning infants' and toddlers' teeth. A summary of important points is also provided. The information is presented in English and Spanish. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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INFANT TOOTH DECAY CAMPAIGN MATERIALS

Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Oral Health. 2005. *Infant Tooth Decay Campaign Materials*. Phoenix, AZ: Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Oral Health. 11 items.

These Web-based materials are part of a campaign in Arizona to increase awareness of the fact that tooth decay, specifically early childhood caries, may be transmitted from a mother (or another caregiver) to an infant during the first year of life. Information is provided for parents and providers in a variety of media, including outdoor boards, posters, radio spots, and brochures. The information is available in English and in Spanish. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Oral Health, 1740 West Adams Street, State Health Building, Room 010, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Telephone: (602) 542-1866; fax: (602) 542-2936; Web site: <http://www.azdhs.gov/cfhs/ooh>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.azdhs.gov/cfhs/ooh/itd_index.htm.

TEETH FOR TWO: PREGNANCY AND PRENATAL ORAL HEALTH

Kansas Head Start Association. 2005. *Teeth for Two: Pregnancy and Prenatal Oral Health*. Shawnee, KS: Kansas Head Start Association. 80 pp., 5 items.

This kit includes a series of learning modules about pregnancy and oral health. The modules—which are intended for parent educators, including home visitors from Early Head Start and other organizations that support healthy pregnancy—provide a basis that home visitors can use during education and training of pregnant women. Topics covered include (1) effects of the mother’s oral health on the fetus and the newborn, (2) effects of pregnancy on oral health, (3) oral health care during pregnancy, (4) gingivitis and periodontitis, (5) oral hygiene habits, (6) action steps to a healthier mouth, and (7) nutrition. Also included in the kit are a variety of booklets and brochures about oral health during pregnancy.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

THE CMS FORM 416 REPORT: UNDERSTANDING ITS USE IN ASSESSING DENTAL CARE UTILIZATION IN MEDICAID’S EARLY PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSTIC AND TREATMENT (EPSDT) SERVICE FOR CHILDREN

Schneider D, Hayes KL, Crall JJ. 2005. *The CMS Form 416 Report: Understanding Its Use in Assessing Dental Care Utilization in Medicaid’s Early Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) Service for Children*. Los Angeles, CA: National Oral Health Policy Center. 10 pp.

This issue brief provides an overview of Medicaid and the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) program; access to oral health services for children eligible for Medicaid; data on children’s utilization of oral health services in Medicaid; and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Form-416 report, which is the most common source of such data. The brief provides background on EPSDT and discusses EPSDT statutory enhancements, reporting of EPSDT oral health services utilization (CMS Form-416), rates of oral health services utilization derived from revised CMS Form-416 data, uses of EPSDT oral health utilization data, cautions in using Form-416 data and derived utilization rates, and proposals for additional adjustments to Form-416 data. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES TRENDS UPWARD

Children’s Dental Health Project. 2005. *Early Childhood Caries Trends Upward*. Washington, DC: Children’s Dental Health Project. 2 pp.

This fact sheet discusses trends in dental caries among children. The fact sheet focuses on disparities in dental caries among young children, children from families with low incomes, and children of color. Implications of oral health disparities are also presented.

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/mmwrfinal90805.pdf>.

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EPSDT PERIODICITY SCHEDULES AND THEIR RELATION TO PEDIATRIC ORAL HEALTH STANDARDS IN HEAD START AND EARLY HEAD START

Schneider D, Crall JJ. 2005. *EPSDT Periodicity Schedules and Their Relation to Pediatric Oral Health Standards in Head Start and Early Head Start*. Los Angeles, CA: National Oral Health Policy Center. 12 pp.

This brief discusses the relationship between Early Head Start (EHS) and Head Start (HS) and Medicaid's Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) program. The brief, which includes an executive summary, discusses (1) oral health services in EHS and HS, (2) the role of Medicaid and its relationship to EHS and HS, (3) EHS and HS performance standards for oral health services, (4) linkages to EPSDT and the need for suitable oral health periodicity schedules, and (5) periodicity considerations for EHS and HS oral health services. Strategic recommendations are included. The brief includes two exhibits: (1) the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 45, Volume 4 and (2) the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989 provisions. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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HEAD START PROGRAM INFORMATION REPORT: 2005 USER'S GUIDE

Xtria. 2005. *Head Start Program Information Report: 2005 User's Guide*. Vienna, VA: Xtria. 66 pp.

This user's guide is intended to help Head Start staff complete the 2005 Program Information Report (PIR), a survey that all programs are required to complete annually. The guide, which is available as a Web or desktop application, includes computer screens that correspond to items in the PIR. Item-by-item guidance supplements reporting instructions. Additional guidance is provided for items that are more difficult to interpret and those that cause the most reporting errors. The guidance explains the intent of the questions, provides examples, and includes definitions of important terms. The information provided in the guide is intended to result in more consistent reporting among programs.

Contact: Xtria, 8045 Leesburg Pike, Suite 400, Vienna, VA 22182-2796. Telephone: (703) 821-6000; fax: (703) 821-6012; e-mail: info@xtria.com; Web site: <http://www.xtria.com>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://pirdownload.xtria.com>.

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HEALTH AND DISABILITIES SERVICES IN EARLY HEAD START: ARE FAMILIES GETTING NEEDED HEALTH CARE SERVICES?

Kisker EE, Kuhns C. 2004. *Health and Disabilities Services in Early Head Start: Are Families Getting Needed Health Care Services?* Princeton, NJ: Mathematica Policy Research. 74 pp.

This report draws on data collected for the national Early Head Start Research and Evaluation study to address the need for information about which families and children tend to experience health problems and disabilities or fail to get needed health and therapy services. The report summarizes the health services provided by Early Head Start (EHS); presents the data and methods used in the report; describes the health status and problems, including disabilities, experienced by children who were enrolled in EHS; reviews their health insurance coverage and receipt of health services; examines differences in health and health care among key subgroups of children and families; and discusses the implications of these findings. Statistical information is presented in tables throughout 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/healthanddis.pdf.

MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

ALASKA FINAL REPORT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EARLY HEAD START AND HEAD START STATE AND TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Sugar PS. 2005. *Alaska Final Report: Follow-up Activities to Early Head Start and Head Start State and Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Juneau, AK: Alaska Department of Education and Early Development. 2 pp.

This final report reviews activities proposed, accomplished, and planned, as part of Early Head Start and Head Start oral health forums. It also outlines budget explanations. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ARKANSAS FINAL REPORT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EHS/HS STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Mouden LD. 2005. *Arkansas Final Report: Follow-up Activities to EHS/HS State/Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Little Rock, AR: Arkansas Department of Health, Office of Oral Health. 2 pp.

This final report focuses on follow-up activities to the Early Head Start and Head Start state and territorial oral health forums held in Arkansas. The report discusses activities originally proposed and how they relate to the action plan, activities accomplished, immediate outcomes, and additional follow-up activities planned. A budget explanation and a list of Arkansas Head Start Oral Health Grant partners are included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ASTDD STATE/TERRITORIAL HEAD START ORAL HEALTH FORUMS ASSESSMENT

Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 2004. *ASTDD State/Territorial Head Start Oral Health Forums Assessment*. Jefferson City, MO: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors. 3 pp.

This report summarizes the methods and outcomes assessments of states' Head Start (HS) oral health forum action plans. The report discusses how the conference forums met the goals of Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors: to foster leadership, collaboration, and communication among stakeholders; to increase access to regular and appropriate preventive and treatment services; to expand evidence-based prevention in HS programs; to promote the use of culturally and developmentally appropriate oral health promotion and education; to assess and evaluate program outcomes; and to use innovative leveraging of resources for technical assistance funding. The report concludes with a list of needs provided by the survey respondents. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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CALIFORNIA FINAL REPORT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EHS/HS STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Condon E. 2005. *California Final Report: Follow-up Activities to EHS/HS State/Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Sacramento, CA: California Head Start Association Oral Health Grant Partners. 5 pp.

This final report focuses on follow-up activities to the Early Head Start and Head Start state and territorial oral health forums held in California. The report discusses activities originally proposed and how they relate to the action plan, activities accomplished, immediate outcomes, and additional follow-up activities planned. A budget explanation and a list of California Head Start Oral Health Grant partners are included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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(916) 444-7760; fax: (916) 444-2257; e-mail: edcondon@caheadstart.org; Web site: <http://www.ca-headstart.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/CAHSFollowUp.pdf>.

DC HEAD START ASSOCIATION ORAL HEALTH FORUM GRANT REVIEW

District of Columbia Head Start Association. 2004. *DC Head Start Association Oral Health Forum Grant Review*. Washington, DC: District of Columbia Head Start Association. 14 pp.

This report describes the oral health forum held on July 20, 2004, in Washington, DC, to discuss oral health priorities for children enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start. Topics include a review of the previous leadership summit held in 2003, steps in promoting education and prevention, increasing coverage and access, enhancing the dental work force, and improving the quality of data and surveillance. Contents of the report also include a financial overview, the forum agenda, a proposed research abstract, and the participant list. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ENHANCING PARTNERSHIPS FOR HEAD START AND ORAL HEALTH: REPORT FOR REGION V FORUM

McCoy M, Silva S, Steffensen J. 2005. *Enhancing Partnerships for Head Start and Oral Health: Report for Region V Forum*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research; San Antonio, TX: University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Department of Community Dentistry. 43 pp.

This report describes the region V forum held on July 13, 2005, in Chicago, Illinois, to determine how organizations and agencies at a regional level could work together to improve the oral health of children and families enrolled in Early Head Start (EHS) and Head Start (HS). Topics include assessing access to care; oral health education, prevention, and clinical services available to EHS and HS populations; identifying

promising state-based models for enhancing oral health; developing strategies that include assessment of current oral health issues and key roles of regional agencies and other entities for future action; and contributing to the development of a national strategic plan to improve the oral health of children and pregnant women in EHS and HS. Report contents are arranged into sections including an executive summary, introductions at the forum, plenary sessions, a summary of small group discussions, and responses and closing remarks. Appendices include a participant list, maps of regional and state oral health forums, publications, and notes from the small group discussions. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ENHANCING PARTNERSHIPS FOR HEAD START AND ORAL HEALTH: REPORT FOR REGION XI FORUM

Hopewell A, McCoy M, Steffensen J. 2005. *Enhancing Partnerships for Head Start and Oral Health: Report for Region XI Forum*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research; San Antonio, TX: University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Department of Community Dentistry. 47 pp.

This report describes the region XI oral health forum held on June 22, 2005, in Green Bay, Wisconsin. The forum was convened by the National Indian Head Start Directors Association Conference in collaboration with the Indian Health Service (IHS) to determine how organizations and agencies could work together to improve the oral health of children and families enrolled in Early Head Start (EHS) and Head Start (HS). Topics include critical oral health issues that impact American Indian and Alaska Native children enrolled in EHS and HS; access to care and other issues that may improve or detract from oral health education and clinical services available; developing a strategic plan that includes assessment of current regional issues, priority gaps, promising practices, and problem areas; and contributing to the development of a national strategic plan to improve the oral health of children enrolled in EHS and HS. Report contents are

arranged into sections including an executive summary, introductions at the forum, plenary sessions, a summary of small group discussions, and responses and closing remarks. Appendices include a participant list, the forum goals and agenda, maps of regional and state oral health forums, promising practices for oral health by IHS area, and notes from the breakout sessions. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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FINAL REPORT: EARLY HEAD START/HEAD START MAINE ORAL HEALTH FORUM—WORKING TOGETHER: PLANNING AND STRATEGIZING FOR IMPROVED ORAL HEALTH CARE

Maine Head Start. 2005. *Final Report: Early Head Start/Head Start Maine Oral Health Forum—Working Together: Planning and Strategizing for Improved Oral Health Care*. Augusta, ME: Maine Head Start. 22 pp.

This final report describes the activities of the oral health forum held on April 25, 2005, in Augusta, Maine, to develop an action plan to improve oral health care for children enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start in Maine. Topics include a review of the state of oral health for program participants and barriers to oral health access and improvement. Additional information is provided on prevention and education, increased access to oral health care, and financing and policy development. Appendices provide information on the planning group, a health coordinator survey summary, the forum evaluation, and the participant list. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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GRANT REPORT: HEAD START ORAL HEALTH FORUM, STATE OF OHIO

Ohio Head Start Association and Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Oral Health Services. 2004. *Grant Report: Head Start Oral Health Forum, State of Ohio*. Dayton, OH: Ohio Head Start Association; Columbus, OH: Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Oral Health Services. 10 pp.

This report summarizes the activities of the oral health forum held on April 7, 2004, in Columbus, Ohio. The purpose of the forum was to develop a strategic plan to improve Head Start oral health components, including (1) enhancing prevention and oral health education, (2) increasing access to oral health services, (3) securing stakeholders' commitment for support and follow through, and (4) generating input for the development of an oral health technical assistance systems model that could be piloted before statewide implementation. Attachments to the report include a list of planning group members, the forum agenda, and the strategic plan. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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HEAD START S.O.S. (SAVE OUR SMILES) ORAL HEALTH FORUMS: FINAL GRANT REPORT SUMMARY

Texas Early Head Start/Head Start Program. 2005. *Head Start S.O.S. (Save Our Smiles) Oral Health Forums: Final Grant Report Summary*. Houston, TX: Texas Early Head Start/Head Start Program. 15 pp.

This final report summarizes an action plan developed by participants in three forums to address the prevalence of oral disease among children enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start in Texas. Contents include summaries of the planning process, action plan development, conclusions and next steps, and the budget. Also included are charts presenting action plan items on barriers to access to care and barriers to oral health education and promotion. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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HEAD START-STATE COLLABORATION NATIONAL MEETING

Head Start Bureau. 2004. *Head Start-State Collaboration National Meeting*. Washington, DC: Head Start Bureau. 3 items.

This information packet was provided to attendees of a meeting of directors of Head Start State Collaboration Offices held on February 15–17, 2004, in Alexandria, Virginia. Meeting topics included the Head Start Bureau’s expectations for the management, oversight, and operation of the state collaboration offices; a focus on results; working across systems; and state program updates. Contents include the meeting agenda, a participant list, a catalog of supplemental grant projects for FY 2004, and a copy of the Head Start Leaders Guide to Positive Child Outcomes.

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IDAHO HEAD START ORAL HEALTH FORUM: FINAL REPORT

Idaho Head Start Association. 2005. *Idaho Head Start Oral Health Forum: Final Report*. Boise, ID: Idaho Head Start Association. 20 pp.

This final report summarizes the oral health forum held on November 18–19, 2004, in Boise, Idaho, about the oral health of Idaho’s children, particularly children enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start. Contents include presentation and plenary session summaries, breakout session descriptions, and recommendations and next steps. The first attachment provides a chart of responses to a pre-survey of current efforts, unmet needs, and solutions, divided into categories of preventive care, primary care, education and outreach, and

community partnerships. The second attachment provides the oral health plan of action resulting from the forum. It includes background information and key elements, strategies, and action steps for prevention, education, and access. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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THE JOURNEY OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS FORUM

Academy for Educational Development. 2005. *The Journey of Health Care Access Forum*. Washington, DC: Academy for Educational Development. 11 items.

This folder contains participant materials from the oral health forum held on October 19–20, 2005, in Washington, DC, focusing on Head Start health services for migrant and seasonal children and families. Topics include barriers to and access to health care, health care financing, oral health, and providing health services for this population. Materials include speaker and participant lists, an agency directory of the Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Technical Assistance Center at the Academy for Educational Development, the meeting agenda, and printed slides of selected presentations and articles. A brochure of age-appropriate discussion topics on oral health and a program evaluation form are also provided.

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MINNESOTA FINAL REPORT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EARLY HEAD START AND HEAD START STATE AND TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Kelly GL. 2005. *Minnesota Final Report: Follow-up Activities to Early Head Start and Head Start State and Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Duluth, MN: Minnesota Head Start Association. 18 pp.

This final report describes activities conducted in follow-up to the oral health forum held on December 11, 2002, in Duluth, Minnesota. Contents include additional meeting summaries of all Early Head Start and Head Start health coordinators on new opportunities for oral health promotion and family education, related activities and cost summaries, and participants. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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MISSOURI FINAL REPORT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EHS/HS STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Veatch D. 2005. *Missouri Final Report: Follow-up Activities to EHS/HS State/Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Butler, MO: Missouri Head Start Collaboration Office. 5 pp.

This final report describes activities conducted in follow-up to the oral health forum held on March 18-19, 2003, in Jefferson City, Missouri. The report defines five issues identified by the Missouri State Head Start Collaboration Office and the Missouri Coalition for Oral Health to address in the delivery of oral health services for children and families enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start: infrastructure, financing, education and prevention, data and surveillance, and work force. Information about expected outcomes, revisions, immediate outcomes, and future activities is provided. Budget explanations, a brief review of the need for additional resources, and facilitator and strategic planning tools used to help guide the process are also presented. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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NACOG HEAD START NATIONAL ORAL HEALTH CONFERENCE ROUNDTABLE: USING HEAD START SURVEILLANCE DATA TO PREDICT AND ALLOCATE RESOURCES

Northern Arizona Council of Governments, Head Start. 2005. *NACOG Head Start National Oral Health Conference Roundtable: Using Head Start Surveillance Data to Predict and Allocate Resources*. Flagstaff, AZ: Northern Arizona Council of Governments, Head Start. 7 items.

This information packet contains materials from the Northern Arizona Council of Governments Head Start National Oral Health Conference Roundtable held on May 3, 2005, in Flagstaff, Arizona. The packet includes a copy of a child oral health record, information about using Head Start (HS) surveillance data to predict and allocate resources, copies of HS and oral health treatment data, and a plan for implementing a comprehensive oral health initiative for HS in Flagstaff.

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NEVADA FINAL REPORT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EHS/HS STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

King N. 2005. *Nevada Final Report: Follow-up Activities to EHS/HS State/Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Reno, NV: Nevada Head Start Association. 37 pp.

This final report describes activities proposed and accomplished during 2004 and early 2005 for three oral health strategic planning sessions to address the oral health issues of children enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start in Nevada. Also included is information on outcomes and additional follow-up activities planned, as well as budget commentary. A list of forum invitees is provided, along with charts outlining goals, objectives, strategies, and more for the topics of fluoridation, fluoride varnish, health education, examinations, emergency and routine treatment, and hospital- or surgery-center-based treatment. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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OKLAHOMA FINAL REPORT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EARLY HEAD START/HEAD START STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Floyd LC. 2005. *Oklahoma Final Report: Follow-up Activities to Early Head Start/Head Start State/Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Oklahoma City, OK: Oklahoma Association of Community Action Agencies. 2 pp.

This final report briefly describes activities conducted in follow-up to Oklahoma's 2003 oral health forum. Activities include updating contact information for original forum participants, identifying progress related to specific solutions in the state plan, barriers to progress toward desired outcomes, and any new solutions that may have been identified since the forum. A brief review is provided of activities accomplished, immediate outcomes, additional follow-up planned, and need for additional resources to accomplish other follow-up activities. A chart outlines budget expenses. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ORAL HEALTH PRESENTATION TO HEAD START AND MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH INTRA-AGENCY AGREEMENT WORKGROUP, DECEMBER 9-10, 2004

Crall J. 2004. *Oral Health Presentation to Head Start and Maternal and Child Health Intra-Agency Agreement Workgroup, December 9-10, 2004*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research. 1 DVD.

This DVD contains a presentation on oral health-related problems among children, especially children from families with low incomes. Topics include the magnitude of the problems of dental caries and poor oral health in children, both in and out of Head Start (HS); a view of the factors that contribute to these issues; issues found to be prevalent among children

enrolled in Early Head Start (EHS) and HS; a review of the emerging science and opportunities to address poor oral health; challenges in finding and implementing a comprehensive solution, including policy and program efforts; and additional measures that EHS and HS can take. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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PALAU REPORT (INTERIM): FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EARLY HEAD START/HEAD START STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Akiwo D. 2005. *Palau Report (Interim): Follow-up Activities to Early Head Start/Head Start State/Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Koror, PW: Palau Community Action Agency. 7 pp.

This interim report describes follow-up activities to the strategic plan developed at the Pacific Head Start oral health forum held on November 14-15, 2002, in Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia. The activities are intended to improve collaboration between the Ministry of Health, Division of Oral Health, and Head Start (HS) in Palau. Activities include beginning a training program for both HS teachers and HS parents and families on new preventive activities in HS; collective responsibilities to improve oral health for children enrolled in HS and their younger siblings; and partnering between agencies at the territorial and local levels. Additional topics include a review of activities accomplished, additional follow-up activities planned, and a brief budget explanation. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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PROCEEDINGS FROM THE HEAD START ORAL HEALTH FORUM

Delaware Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Head Start State Collaboration Project and Early Childhood Assistance Program, and Delaware Head Start Association. 2005. *Proceedings from the Head Start Oral Health Forum*. Dover, DE: Delaware Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Head Start State Collaboration Project and Early Childhood Assistance Program; Smyrna, DE: Delaware Head Start Association. 28 pp.

This report describes the oral health forum held on June 3, 2005, in Dover, Delaware, to improve the oral health of children enrolled in Head Start (HS). Four objectives are outlined: (1) understand how the state's program measures up against national HS program performance standards for oral health; (2) learn about national strategies to improve oral health access, prevention, and practitioner availability for children enrolled in HS; (3) develop an action plan for putting critical oral health strategies into practice; and (4) understand the impact of oral health on school readiness and the public policy implications associated with reaching Delaware's oral health-related goals. Sessions focus on three strategy categories: access, prevention, and provider education. Report contents include the conference agenda, a summary of each session, and evaluation results. Appendices include a participant list, an evaluation form, a participant questionnaire, and speaker biographies. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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PROMISING APPROACHES AND LESSONS LEARNED FOR PREVENTING OR REDUCING EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES: SUMMARY OF A WORKSHOP CONVENED BY THE MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BUREAU

Brown A, Lowe B, Zimmerman B. 2005. *Promising Approaches and Lessons Learned for Preventing or Reducing Early Childhood Caries: Summary of a Workshop Convened by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research. 27 pp.

This report summarizes a national forum on early childhood caries (ECC) held on May 16–17, 2005, in

Washington, DC, to identify common program elements using the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors' Best Practices for Oral Health Programs criteria as a framework and to develop a knowledge base of promising program approaches, practices, challenges, and lessons aimed at reducing and preventing the incidence of ECC. The report is divided into the following sections: (1) core principles of ECC prevention and disease management, (2) promising strategies and challenges of ECC programs, and (3) key considerations in developing and sustaining ECC initiatives. Appendices include the workshop agenda, an overview of the ECC programs presented at the workshop, and a participant list. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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REPUBLIC OF MARSHALL ISLANDS FINAL REPORT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EARLY HEAD START AND HEAD START STATE AND TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Tut O. 2005. *Republic of Marshall Islands Final Report: Follow-up Activities to Early Head Start and Head Start State and Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Majuro, MH: Republic of the Marshall Islands, Ministry of Health. 2 pp.

This final report describes follow-up activities from the oral health forum held on October 30 and November 1, 2002, in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Topics include (1) activities originally proposed and how they relate to the action plan; (2) activities accomplished and immediate outcomes; and (3) activities planned, including the need for additional resources and a budget explanation. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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RHODE ISLAND EARLY CHILDHOOD ORAL HEALTH ACTION PLAN: A FRAMEWORK FOR THE FUTURE

Rhode Island Department of Health and Rhode Island Head Start Association. 2005. *Rhode Island Early Childhood Oral Health Action Plan: A Framework for the Future*. Providence, RI: Rhode Island Department of Health; Cranston, RI: Rhode Island Head Start Association. 6 pp., addendum 4 pp.

This report describes the statewide oral health forum held on May 17, 2004, in Warwick, Rhode Island, to identify barriers to oral health access, propose potential resolutions, and build support for improving the oral health of children and families enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start. Topics include access to care barriers, oral disease data, prevention opportunities in pediatric dentistry, the pediatrician's role in oral health assessment, and the importance of oral health as a foundation for future success. Contents include an executive summary; an outline of the oral health action plan; next steps, including the mission and vision of the Rhode Island Early Childhood Oral Health coalition; and acknowledgments. The addendum, dated August 2005, charts progress in implementing many of the action plan's strategies, acknowledges past work, and celebrates the coalition's first-year accomplishments. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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SOUTH DAKOTA FINAL REPORT: FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO EHS/HS STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUMS

Knecht P. 2005. *South Dakota Final Report: Follow-up Activities to EHS/HS State/Territorial Oral Health Forums*. Aberdeen, SD: South Dakota Head Start Association. 2 pp.

This final report describes activities related to organizing and interviewing a focus group of dentists and dental office staff in South Dakota to learn how their attitudes and actions can create a barrier to care for underserved

children. The focus group members offered comments, opinions, and recommendations for the purpose of making the dental appointment and referral processes more effective. A report on the focus group comments and additional follow-up activities are provided. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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THE VERMONT EARLY HEAD START/HEAD START ORAL HEALTH FORUM AND ACTION PLAN

Vermont Department of Health and Vermont Head Start State Collaboration Office. 2005. *The Vermont Early Head Start/Head Start Oral Health Forum and Action Plan*. Waterbury, VT: Vermont Head Start State Collaboration Office. 25 pp.

This report describes the oral health forum held on May 13, 2005, in Quechee, Vermont, to improve the oral health of children enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start and to develop an action plan. The report provides information on statewide activities, partners, and barriers that existed before the forum took place. Also included is a participant list, an agenda, and minutes of the planning meeting. The report concludes with the forum invitee list and an action plan. Appendices include the invitation letter, evaluation letter, and evaluation form. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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VIRGINIA HEAD START ORAL HEALTH FORUM

Virginia Department of Health and Virginia Department of Social Services. 2005. *Virginia Head Start Oral Health Forum*. Richmond, VA: Virginia Department of Health and Virginia Department of Social Services. 1 v.

This notebook contains participant materials from the oral health forum held on September 21, 2005, in Richmond, Virginia. Agenda topics included a regional Head Start (HS) oral health perspective for Virginia, oral health disparities among children enrolled in HS, and development of an action plan. Breakout sessions focused on access to care in rural and urban areas, education, and prevention. Notebook contents include the forum agenda, a participant list, printed PowerPoint presentation slides on HS oral health requirements and Virginia HS oral health services, results of a survey of Early Head Start and HS centers, and a list of breakout session participants. A resources section includes tip sheets, fact sheets, guides, and articles. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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WORKING TOGETHER: PLANNING AND STRATEGIZING FOR IMPROVED ORAL HEALTH CARE—MAINE HEAD START AND EARLY HEAD START ORAL HEALTH FORUM REPORT AND ACTION STEPS

Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Care and Head Start, Oral Health Program. 2005. *Working Together: Planning and Strategizing for Improved Oral Health Care—Maine Head Start and Early Head Start Oral Health Forum Report and Action Steps*. Augusta, ME: Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Care and Head Start, Oral Health Program. 16 pp.

This report focuses on the Maine Early Head Start (EHS) and Head Start (HS) oral health forum held on April 25, 2005, in Augusta, Maine, which brought together a multidisciplinary group of 65 stakeholders to develop an action plan to improve oral health care for children enrolled in EHS and HS. The report provides background, discusses forum planning, summarizes the forum, and presents an action plan and a forum budget. Four appendices include a forum planning group list, a forum invitation, a health coordinator survey summary, and a participant list. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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POLICY

ADA STATEMENT ON TOOTHBRUSH CARE: CLEANING, STORAGE, AND REPLACEMENT

American Dental Association, Council on Scientific Affairs. 2005. *ADA Statement on Toothbrush Care: Cleaning, Storage, and Replacement*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association, Council on Scientific Affairs. 3 pp.

This statement provides general recommendations for toothbrush care, sanitation, storage, and replacement, as well as a scientific assessment of the reported link between toothbrush contamination and oral or systemic health.

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/positions/statements/toothbrush.asp>.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

FIRST SMILES TWO HOUR TRAINING

First Smiles Education and Training Project. 2005. *First Smiles Two Hour Training*. Sacramento, CA: California Dental Association Foundation and Oakland, CA: Dental Health Foundation. 2 items.

This Web-based 2-hour continuing education program is intended to encourage oral health care teams to provide assessments and simple interventions to prevent dental caries in children from birth to age 5, including children with special health care needs. The course includes four modules: an overview of early childhood caries (ECC), a discussion of what causes ECC and how to prevent it, information about oral health assessment, and billing.

Contact: Rolande Tellier. California Dental Association Foundation, First Smiles Education and Training Pro-

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**HEALTH AND SAFETY IN THE CHILD CARE SETTING:
PROMOTING CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH—
A CURRICULUM FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND
CHILD CARE PROVIDERS**

Boyer-Chu L. 2005. *Health and Safety in the Child Care Setting: Promoting Children's Oral Health—A Curriculum for Health Professionals and Child Care Providers*. Oakland, CA: California Childcare Health Program. 76 pp.

This curriculum is written for those working in the field of early care and education in California who are interested in promoting oral health. Lessons address six areas of oral health for infants and toddlers: oral development, oral habits, health and hygiene, fluoridation, diet and nutrition, and injury prevention and care. Contents include an overview for trainers and sections on the basics of oral health, six lessons, a wrap-around and wrap-up section, and lists of organizational resources and educational materials. Appendices include a caries risk assessment tool, a map of optimally fluoridated areas by zip code, a program brochure from "Healthy Teeth Begin at Birth," and an evaluation questionnaire.

Contact: A. Rahman Zamani. California Childcare Health Program, 1333 Broadway, Suite 1010, Oakland, CA 94612-1926. Telephone: (510) 839-1195; fax: (510) 839-0330; Web site: <http://www.ucsfchildcarehealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.ucsfchildcarehealth.org/html/pandr/trainingcurrmain.htm#oh>.

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HEALTHY CHILD CARE ARIZONA: ORAL HEALTH PILOT TRAINING EVALUATION

Partap A, Mathieson K. 2005. *Healthy Child Care Arizona: Oral Health Pilot Training Evaluation*. Phoenix, AZ: Arizona Center for Community Pediatrics. 17 pp.

This report describes an evaluation of the Healthy Child Care Arizona oral health pilot training held on September 18, 2004, in Tucson, Arizona, for individuals working in Head Start or child care centers. The training was designed to teach participants about the

causes of tooth decay and how to prevent it, the relationship between tooth decay and general health, how to choose snacks that promote oral health, why children need to visit the dentist before their first birthday, and how to help parents access oral health care. The report presents results of the evaluation, discusses participants' satisfaction with the training, discusses follow-up with participants and barriers to oral health promotion, and offers conclusions. Statistical information is presented in tables and figures throughout the report. Appendices include a pre- and post-test and a planning and follow-up data collection form. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ORAL HEALTH AND HEAD START IN ARKANSAS

Arkansas Department of Health, Office of Oral Health and Arkansas Head Start Association, State Collaboration Office. 2004. *Oral Health and Head Start in Arkansas*. Little Rock, AR: Arkansas Department of Health, Office of Oral Health. 1 CD-ROM.

This CD-ROM contains PowerPoint presentations, a videotape, and other materials relating to the Head Start oral health program in Arkansas. Topics include the program's history and mission; eligibility; other program information; performance standards for optimal oral health; an overview of oral health and dental caries prevention; oral trauma; oral hygiene; fluoridation; and P.A.N.D.A. (Prevent Abuse and Neglect through Dental Awareness), an international family-violence-prevention program. The final section includes a list of links to a variety of oral health resources and materials. The 4.5-minute videotape provides information on dental sealants, their purpose, and their application.

Contact: Arkansas Department of Health, Office of Oral Health, 4815 West Markham, Slot 41, Little Rock, AR 72205. Telephone: (501) 661-2595; fax: (501) 661-2055; Web site: http://www.healthyarkansas.com/Oral_Health. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.healthyarkansas.com/Oral_Health/materials/index.html.

ORAL HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT: TRAINING FOR PEDIATRICIANS AND OTHER CHILD HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

American Academy of Pediatrics. 2005. *Oral Health Risk Assessment: Training for Pediatricians and Other Child Health Professionals*. Elk Grove Village, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics. 6 items.

This kit contains training materials to help pediatricians and other health professionals understand the elements of oral health risk assessment and triage for young children. The information in the kit is based on the American Academy of Pediatrics' (AAP's) policy statement, Oral Health Risk Assessment Timing and Establishment of a Dental Home. The kit includes general information about oral health in children, but its primary focus is early childhood caries (ECC) in infants and children from birth through age 3. The kit contains a CD-ROM; an introductory letter; and brochures and handouts on non-nutritive sucking, children's oral health, and ECC and how to prevent it. A copy of the AAP policy statement is included, as well. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Wendy Nelson. American Academy of Pediatrics, P.O. Box 747, 141 Northwest Point Boulevard, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007-1098. Telephone: (847) 434-4000; (800) 433-9016; fax: (847) 434-8000; e-mail: wnelson@aap.org; Web site: <http://www.aap.org>. Limited quantities available. <http://www.aap.org/commpepd/doch/oralhealth/screening.cfm>.

AN ORAL HEALTH TUTORIAL PROVIDING A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES FOR NON-DENTAL PROFESSIONALS

UCLID Center at the University of Pittsburgh and University of Pittsburgh School of Dentistry. 2005. *An Oral Health Tutorial Providing a Brief Overview of Early Childhood Caries for Non-Dental Professionals*. Pittsburgh, PA: UCLID Center at the University of Pittsburgh and University of Pittsburgh School of Dentistry. 1 v.

This oral health tutorial for non-oral health professionals who work with infants and young children and children with special health care needs is designed to help non-oral health professionals identify early signs of early childhood caries (ECC), differentiate between ECC and other oral health problems, counsel families about prevention, and refer children with dental caries to a dentist. The online tutorial takes about 1 hour to complete and is free of charge. Color photographs of

healthy teeth and teeth with decay are included, along with instructions about what the health professional should do in each case.

Contact: University of Pittsburgh, School of Dental Medicine, Salk Hall, 3501 Terrace Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15261. Telephone: (412) 648-8880; Web site: <http://www.dental.pitt.edu>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.oralhealthtutorial.org/index.html>.

PRENATAL ORAL HEALTH EDUCATION PROJECT: A RESOURCE MANUAL

New Hampshire Area Health Education Center. 2005. *Prenatal Oral Health Education Project: A Resource Manual*. Concord, NH: New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services. 58 pp.

This resource manual from New Hampshire's Prenatal Oral Health Education Project includes a PowerPoint presentation on prenatal oral health; articles on periodontal disease during pregnancy; an article on nutrition and oral health for pregnant women, infants, and children; and the American Academy of Periodontology's statement regarding periodontal management of pregnant women.

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EARLY CHILDHOOD HEALTH ASSESSMENT RECORD

Connecticut Department of Public Health. 2004. *Early Childhood Health Assessment Record*. Hartford, CT: Connecticut Department of Public Health. 2 pp.

This health assessment record was created in 2001 and revised in 2004 in an effort to establish a single template for collecting health data and communicating health standards and health status for children before they start school. The record includes two parts, one to be completed by parents and one to be completed by a health professional. The record provides a consistent format for primary care health professionals and program administrators who must complete the form and

gather data on children's health and a consistent set of expectations for early child care professionals.

Contact: Connecticut Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308. Telephone: (860) 509-8097; fax: (860) 509-7720; e-mail: webmaster.dph@po.state.ct.us; Web site: <http://www.dph.state.ct.us>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.dph.state.ct.us/BRS/Day_Care/CDC_ChildHlthAssessRcd.pdf.

ORAL HEALTH SUPPLEMENTAL CURRICULUM RESOURCE

South Carolina Department of Education, South Carolina Healthy Schools. 2005. *Oral Health Supplemental Curriculum Resource*. Columbia, SC: South Carolina Department of Education, South Carolina Healthy Schools. 54 pp., 1 CD-ROM.

These supplemental curriculum resource guides contain lessons that encourage children to take care of their teeth. The guides also teach children oral health concepts. The preschool guide, developed in 2005, draws from and was designed to be part of the original series. Each lesson includes a list of materials, background information, step-by-step instructions, and suggested extension and evaluation activities. Lessons and activities for kindergarten and second- and seventh-grade students are also included and were endorsed by the South Carolina Department of Education in 2002–2003. The guides, designed primarily for classroom use, are also available on CD-ROM.

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SAMPLE FLUORIDE VARNISH APPLICATION PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN: AGENCY PROTOCOL

Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, Division of Public Health. 2005. *Sample Fluoride Varnish Application Program for Children: Agency Protocol*. Madison, WI: Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, Division of Public Health. 19 pp.

This sample agency protocol can serve as a blueprint for fluoride varnish application programs for children in public health settings. The purpose of the sample is to provide local health departments with an example that the health departments can adapt for their particular settings. Included in the sample protocol 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/varnishpolicyprocr42505.pdf; http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/health/Oral_Health/protocol.htm.

STATE REPORTS

2005 MASSACHUSETTS HEAD START ORAL HEALTH ACTION PLAN

Massachusetts Head Start Oral Health Initiative. 2005. *2005 Massachusetts Head Start Oral Health Action Plan*. Boston, MA: Massachusetts Head Start Oral Health Initiative. 13 pp.

This report outlines the action plan developed in 2005 to improve the oral health of children and families enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start in Massachusetts. Charts outline strategies and their elements in education and training, oral health surveillance, collaboration, oral disease prevention and dental caries management, and access to oral health care services via the dental home. A narrative section discusses accomplishments including a brief summary of results from the statewide oral health survey, the state action plan, oral health education, access to preventive services, and access to a continuous source of oral health care services. A review of trends and significant problems and constraints is also included.

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**COLORADO'S SCHOOL READINESS INDICATORS:
MAKING PROGRESS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN**

Colorado School Readiness Indicators Task Force. 2004. *Colorado's School Readiness Indicators: Making Progress for Young Children*. Denver, CO: Colorado Children's Campaign and Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. 82 pp.

This report documents Colorado's school readiness indicators and includes two performance measures developed by the Colorado Oral Health Program to assess the impact of integrated oral health systems for inclusion in the state oral health plan and the MCH Block grant application. Information on the project background, purpose and scope, data-gathering methodology, and availability of data is included in the introduction. The report presents a summary of findings pertaining to school readiness in Colorado and describes readiness in four domains: child, family, school, and community. A list of the 62 indicators is presented in an appendix. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Colorado Children's Campaign, 1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 125, Denver, CO 80203. Telephone: (303) 839-1580; fax: (303) 839-1354; Web site: <http://www.coloradokids.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.schoolreadinesscolorado.org/PDF/SRI-Report.pdf>.

MASSACHUSETTS HEAD START ORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE AND 2004 HEAD START ORAL HEALTH SURVEY

Massachusetts Head Start Oral Health Initiative. 2005. *Massachusetts Head Start Oral Health Initiative and 2004 Head Start Oral Health Survey*. Boston, MA: Massachusetts Head Start Oral Health Initiative. 17 pp.

This report reviews the state oral health initiative for children enrolled in Early Head Start (EHS) and Head Start (HS) in Massachusetts and provides results of an oral health survey, undertaken from December 2003 to May 2004, of 12 of the 31 HS programs in the state. Report sections include the survey methodology, a summary of the results, and charts providing findings in statistical form. Additional information is provided on the 2005 survey to assess the oral health status of children enrolled in EHS in Boston, as well as a summary of the 2004-2005 survey to assess the prevalence of early childhood caries among children ages 1-3 in Boston.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS ORAL HEALTH REPORT

Oral Health Collaborative of Massachusetts. 2004. *The Massachusetts Oral Health Report*. Boston, MA: Oral Health Collaborative of Massachusetts. Annual.

This annual report provides information on the oral health status of Massachusetts' residents using the format of the National Oral Health Surveillance System. The report contains information about the oral health status of preschool children obtained through a series of surveys: (1) a statewide survey to assess the oral health status of children enrolled in Head Start in Massachusetts, (2) a survey to assess the oral health status of children enrolled in Early Head Start in Boston, and (3) a survey to assess the oral health status of very young children receiving pediatric care in Boston. Information is also presented about the oral health visit for children enrolled in MassHealth and about access to community water fluoridation for all Massachusetts residents. An update of the distribution of dentists in the state is also provided, along with other statistical data, which are presented in charts and tables throughout the report.

Contact: Monte Pearson. Health Care for All, 30 Winter Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02108. Telephone: (617) 350-7279; fax: (617) 350-7545; e-mail: pearson@hcfama.org; Web site: <http://www.hcfama.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.hcfama.org/_uploads/documents/live/2005MassachusettsOralHealthReport.pdf.

NEW HAMPSHIRE HEAD START ORAL HEALTH PLAN

New Hampshire Head Start Collaboration Office and New Hampshire Division for Children, Youth, and Families. 2005. *New Hampshire Head Start Oral Health Plan*. Concord, NH: New Hampshire Division for Children, Youth, and Families. 13 pp.

This report outlines an oral health plan to better address the oral health needs of children enrolled in

Head Start (HS). The report consists primarily of a chart that presents activities, anticipated outputs, and other information for goals and objectives in the following areas: improving the oral health status of children and their families enrolled in HS in New Hampshire, increasing provider participation in medical and dental disciplines, utilizing HS's program strengths to expand the reach of oral health education, and building coalitions among HS partner agencies to create a unified oral health message. A monitoring and evaluation plan is presented in a second chart.

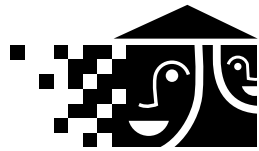
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WASHINGTON STATE EARLY HEAD START/HEAD START/ECEAP ORAL HEALTH ACTION PLAN

Alves-Dunkerson J. 2005. *Washington State Early Head Start/Head Start/ECEAP Oral Health Action Plan*. Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Health, Community and Family Health, Oral Health Program. 20 pp.

This report outlines the action plan to address barriers to access to oral health services for children enrolled in Early Head Start (EHS) and Head Start (HS) in Washington. Barriers identified are lack of water fluoridation; a shortage of oral health professionals; cultural and diversity issues; and inadequate coordination and collaboration between agencies and organizations responsible for early care, education, and health services. Report contents include a review of the oral health scenario in Washington; EHS, HS, and the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program in Washington; development of the oral health action plan; and next steps and future activities. Also included are an executive summary, references, acknowledgments, and contact information. Appendices include an action plan matrix, a list of abbreviations and a glossary of terms used in the matrix, and a participant list.

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