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Introduction

The purpose of the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center (OHRC) is to respond to the needs of states and communities in addressing current and emerging public oral health issues. OHRC supports health professionals, program administrators, educators, policymakers, researchers, and others with the goal of improving oral health services for infants, children, adolescents, and their families. OHRC collaborates with 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 EDUCATION

DENTAL SEALANTS

Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Oral Health. 2006. *Dental Sealants*. Springfield, IL: Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Oral Health. 2 pp.

This fact sheet defines dental sealants and discusses how dental sealants are applied, how they feel, and how long they last. Information about the time and cost-saving benefits of dental sealants is also presented. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Oral Health, 535 West Jefferson Street, Room 500, Springfield, IL 62761. Telephone: (217) 782-4977; (800) 547-0466; fax: (217) 524-2831; e-mail: mailus@idph.state.il.us; Web site: <http://www.idph.state.il.us/healthwellness/oralhlth/home.htm>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.idph.state.il.us/HealthWellness/oralhlth/oralsealants.htm>.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: DENTAL SEALANTS

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Oral Health Surveillance System. 2005. *Frequently Asked Questions: Dental Sealants*. Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Oral Health Surveillance System. 2 pp.

This fact sheet for the public answers questions about dental sealants, what they are, why they are applied to children's teeth, when they should be applied, who receives them, and whether they replace fluoride.

Contact: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health, 4770 Buford Highway, N.E., Mailstop F-10, Atlanta, GA 30341-3717. Telephone: (770) 488-6054; (888) CDC-FACT (232-3228); e-mail: oralhealth@cdc.gov; Web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cdc.gov/nohss/guideDS.htm>.

HEALTHY SMILES FOR AMERICAN INDIANS AND ALASKA NATIVE PEOPLE: DENTAL SEALANTS

Bruerd B, Starr D. 2005. *Healthy Smiles for American Indians and Alaska Native People: Dental Sealants*. Rockville, MD: Indian Health Service, Oral Health Program. 2 pp.

This illustrated pamphlet, designed for American Indians and Alaska Native peoples, provides information about dental sealants, their purpose and application, and their role in protecting against tooth decay. Additional tips on proper oral health are provided.

Contact: Indian Health Service, Division of Oral Health, 801 Thompson Avenue, Suite 300, Rockville, MD 20852. Telephone: (800) 443-1106; Web site: <http://www.dentist.ihs.gov/index.cfm>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.ihs.gov/medical/programs/doh/hpdp/documents/hpdpresourceguide/sealants2004%20starr%20bruerd%20save%202000.pdf>.

ORAL HEALTH AND PREGNANCY

Healthy Smile Happy Child. 2006. *Oral Health and Pregnancy*. Carson City, NV: Nevada State Health Division, Oral Health Initiative. 2 pp.

This fact sheet outlines the importance of good oral hygiene and proper nutrition during pregnancy. It discusses gingivitis, premature and underweight infants, tooth decay, dental treatment, and dental visits. The fact sheet is available in English and Spanish.

Contact: Christine Wood. Nevada State Health Division, Oral Health Initiative, 3427 Goni Road, Suite 108, Carson City, NV 89706. Telephone: (775) 684-4285; e-mail: pcwood@nvhd.state.nv.us; Web site: <http://health2k.state.nv.us/oral>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://health2k.state.nv.us/oral/ohp%20english.pdf>.

SEALANTS

Academy of General Dentistry. 2006. *Sealants*. Chicago, IL: Academy of General Dentistry. 3 items.

This set of three fact sheets for the public answers questions about dental sealants. The first fact sheet discusses sealant effectiveness, how sealants are applied, how long they last, who should receive them, and whether insurance pays for them. The second fact sheet discusses the risk factors that determine the use of sealants in children. The third fact sheet discusses the cost-effectiveness of sealant use in preventing tooth decay and the underuse of sealants.

Contact: Academy of General Dentistry, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 900, Chicago, IL 60611-1999. Telephone: (888) AGD DENT (243-3368); fax: (312) 440-0559; e-mail: news@agd.org; Web site: <http://www.agd.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.agd.org/consumer/topics/sealants>.

SEALANTS

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. 2006. *Sealants*. Chicago, IL: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. 1 p.

This brochure for the public answers questions about dental sealants, what they are, how long they last, what treatment is like, cost factors, which teeth are sealed, and the importance of continued brushing and flossing.

Contact: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 700, Chicago, IL 60611-2663. Telephone: (312) 337-2169; fax: (312) 337-6329; e-mail: jrutkauskas@aapd.org; Web site: <http://www.aapd.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.aapd.org/publications/brochures/sealants.asp>.

SEALANTS

American Dental Association. 2006. *Sealants*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 2 pp.

This Web page describes what dental sealants are, answers frequently asked questions, and provides links to additional resources. The frequently asked questions cover how sealants prevent decay, how they are applied, and how all age groups benefit from being treated with sealants.

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/sealants.asp#faq>.

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California Dental Association. 2006. *Sealants*. Sacramento, CA: California Dental Association. 1 p.

This fact sheet for consumers discusses the role of dental sealants as part of an oral health program to prevent tooth decay. Topics include plaque, cavities, how sealants are applied, and who should receive sealants. The fact sheet is available in English, Spanish, and Hmong.

Contact: California Dental Association, 1201 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Telephone: (916) 443-3382; fax: (916) 443-2943; e-mail: contactcda@cda.org; Web site: <http://www.cda.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cda.org/articles/brush.htm>.

SURVIVAL TIPS POSTERS: STOP DENTAL DISEASE

California Childcare Health Program. 2006. *Survival Tips: Stop Dental Disease*. Oakland, CA: California Childcare Health Program. 6 items.

This series of six posters on the prevention of oral disease was developed as part of a larger poster series on the prevention of communicable diseases and injuries in early care and education settings. The posters are designed to provide reminders about best practices and are suitable for posting in high-traffic areas such as above changing tables or near the front door. Topics include toothbrush storage, preventing early childhood caries, how to handle oral injuries, oral hygiene for children, special toothbrushes for children with special health care needs, and toothbrushing. Each poster is 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>. Full-color laminated versions may be purchased in sets for \$10.00. Also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://ucsfchildcarehealth.org/html/pandr/postersmain.htm>.

MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

2005 NORTH CAROLINA ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE: SUMMIT PROCEEDINGS AND ACTION PLAN

North Carolina Institute of Medicine. 2005. *2005 North Carolina Oral Health Summit Access to Dental Care: Summit Proceedings and Action Plan*. Durham, NC: North Carolina Institute of Medicine. 45 pp.

This report summarizes a summit held on April 8, 2005, in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, to identify potential strategies to improve oral health care access for Medicaid recipients in the state. Contents of the report include a participant list, a brief history of previous meetings and efforts, and an overview of problems in 2005. Proposed strategies include (1) increasing dentists' participation in Medicaid, (2) increasing the overall supply of dentists and dental hygienists, (3) serving underserved areas and populations, (4) increasing the number of pediatric dentists and expanding the provision of preventive oral health services to young children, (5) training oral health professionals to treat individuals with special health care needs and designing programs to expand access to oral health services, (6) educating Medicaid recipients about the importance of ongoing oral health care, and (7) developing programs to remove nonfinancial barriers to the use of oral health services. Each topic is summarized, with previous recommendations reviewed and proposed recommendations provided.

Contact: North Carolina Institute of Medicine, 5501 Fortunes Ridge Drive, Suite E, Durham, NC 27713. Telephone: (919) 401-6599; fax: (919) 401-6899; Web site: <http://www.nciom.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.nciom.org/projects/dental/2005dentalupdate.pdf>.

ANNUAL MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BUREAU ORAL HEALTH GRANTEE MEETING SUMMARY

Hopewell A. 2006. *Annual Maternal and Child Health Bureau Oral Health Grantee Meeting Summary*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research. 58 pp.

This report summarizes a meeting of State Oral Health Collaborative System (SOHCS) grantees held on December 5-7, 2005, in Washington, DC. The purpose of the meeting was to update grantees on oral-health-systems development and data collection efforts

at the federal level and on cutting-edge oral health issues in maternal and child populations. Topics include the role of the Health Resources and Services Administration and its various entities in oral health, early childhood caries, the implementation of an online electronic handbook, competencies for nontraditional oral health professionals, dental sealants, and SOHCS program evaluation. Appendices include a participant list; a chart outlining selected state oral health grant program descriptions, successes, challenges, lessons learned, and collaborations; the meeting agenda; and a list of regional Head Start oral health consultants. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ANNUAL MCHB ORAL HEALTH GRANTEE MEETING

Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 2005. *Annual MCHB Oral Health Grantee Meeting*. Rockville, MD: Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 1 v.

This binder contains materials from the State Oral Health Collaborative Systems (SOHCS) Grantee Meeting held on December 5-7, 2005, in Washington, DC. Agenda topics include the Health Resources and Services Administration's role in oral health, early childhood caries, perinatal and infant oral health, grantee project accomplishments, grants management, competencies for nontraditional oral health professionals, Head Start, dental sealants, and the SOHCS program evaluation. The binder contains the meeting agenda, a participant list, and printed PowerPoint presentation slides from each of the 3 days of the meeting. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**BEST PRACTICES FOR ORAL HEALTH ACCESS:
A CENTER FOR HEALTH CARE STRATEGIES
“PURCHASING INSTITUTE”—MEETING OVERVIEW**

Hopewell A. 2005. *Best Practices for Oral Health Access: A Center for Health Care Strategies “Purchasing Institute”—Meeting Overview*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research. 35 pp.

This report describes a meeting for state executives to aid in planning activities to improve the quality of and access to oral health services for beneficiaries of Medicaid and the State Children’s Health Insurance Program held on September 28–30, 2005, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The purpose of the meeting was to provide participants with the tools to apply disease-management principles to oral health care, get value out of the Medicaid dental benefit, work collaboratively to expand dental work force options, decrease the administrative burden of contracting for Medicaid oral health services, engage providers in early detection and assessment of oral disease, and engage and educate consumers through community organizations and case-management services. The report describes the application process by which state teams were selected to attend the meeting and provides brief summaries of the presentations made during the meeting. Appendices include a participant list and the meeting agenda. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**ENHANCING PARTNERSHIPS FOR HEAD START AND
ORAL HEALTH: PROFESSIONAL DENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS—FINAL SYNTHESIS REPORT**

Silva S, Steffensen J. 2005. *Enhancing Partnerships for Head Start and Oral Health: Professional Dental Organizations—Final Synthesis Report*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research. 15 pp.

This final report synthesizes the findings from Head Start oral health forums conducted for professional organizations from 2002 to 2004 focusing on priority issues and strategies related to five issue areas as priorities for future action at the national level to improve

the oral health of children enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start programs. The five oral-health-related issue areas include data and surveillance, work force capacity, education, insurance and other access issues, and collaboration. Strategies are discussed, and an update is included on activities the professional organizations conducted since their respective forums took place. The appendix includes a chart outlining priority issues by region. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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**ENHANCING PARTNERSHIPS FOR HEAD START AND
ORAL HEALTH: REGIONAL FORUMS—FINAL
SYNTHESIS REPORT**

Hopewell A, Steffensen J. 2005. *Enhancing Partnerships for Head Start and Oral Health: Regional Forums—Final Synthesis Report*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research. 24 pp.

This final report synthesizes the findings from 10 regional Head Start oral health forums conducted from 2001 to 2005 focusing on priority issues and strategies related to oral health for children and families served by Early Head Start and Head Start programs. Topics include (1) an overview of the Head Start Bureau and Maternal and Child Health Bureau oral health partnership and (2) the regional forums. Topics include issues related to prevention, education, and access to care. A brief conclusion completes the report. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ENHANCING PARTNERSHIPS FOR HEAD START AND ORAL HEALTH: SPECIAL POPULATION FORUMS—FINAL SYNTHESIS REPORT

Hopewell A, Steffensen J. 2005. *Enhancing Partnerships for Head Start and Oral Health: Special Population Forums—Final Synthesis Report*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research. 20 pp.

This final report synthesizes Head Start oral health forum participant suggestions for strategies for addressing oral health concerns of special populations enrolled in Head Start programs in Region XI and Region XII. The populations are identified as American Indian-Alaska Native and migrant and seasonal farmworkers. Topics include (1) an overview of the Head Start Bureau and Maternal and Child Health Bureau oral health partnership, (2) the special population forums, and (3) an overview of the special populations and their regions, including oral health care services available and cultural considerations. Additional topics include priority issues and strategies, including prevention, education, access to care, and cross-cutting recommendations. A brief conclusion completes the report. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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HEAD START ORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE GRANTEE ORIENTATION MEETING PARTICIPANT'S FOLDER

National Head Start Training and Technical Assistance Resource Center. 2006. *Head Start Oral Health Initiative Grantee Orientation Meeting Participant's Folder*. Arlington, VA: National Head Start Training and Technical Assistance Resource Center. 1 v.

This folder contains materials for participants attending the Head Start Bureau Oral Health Initiative Grantee Orientation Meeting held on April 18–19, 2006, in Washington, DC, to encourage new grantees to elevate the quality and quantity of oral health services being delivered to underserved children and their families. Topics include the state of the science in oral health, selecting curricula, developmentally appropriate practice, cultural competence, partnerships with parents and community and professional organizations, building a

community of learners, resources, evaluation, issues of concern, and strategies for success. Contents include the meeting agenda and a participant list, speaker biographies, printed presentation slides, grantee program overviews, information on the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center, and selected articles and handouts.

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IDAHO FOLLOW-UP TO EARLY HEAD START/HEAD START STATE/TERRITORIAL ORAL HEALTH FORUM: FINAL REPORT

Idaho Head Start Association. 2006. *Idaho Follow-Up to Early Head Start/Head Start State/Territorial Oral Health Forum: Final Report*. Boise, ID: Idaho Head Start Association. 3 pp.

This report provides information about continuing activities of the Idaho Head Start Association after the November 18–19, 2004, Head Start oral health forum. Contents include a summary of educational initiatives in communities, action steps, activities accomplished, outcomes, additional activities planned, and the need for additional resources to accomplish other follow-up activities. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH ORAL HEALTH INSTITUTE: REGION I

Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 2005. *Maternal and Child Health Oral Health Institute: Region I*. Rockville, MD: Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 1 v., 1 CD-ROM.

This notebook contains materials for participants at an oral health regional meeting held on October 24–25,

2005, in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Meeting topics include (1) seeking strategies that states can use to integrate oral health into maternal and child health (MCH) and children with special health care needs (CSHCN) programs and (2) identifying the technical assistance needs required to further this integration. Notebook contents include printed PowerPoint slides on the importance of oral health in maintaining overall health, designing an optimal oral health program, partnerships for promoting oral health for MCH populations, serving CSHCN, integrating oral health and MCH programs, and oral health partnerships in action. Additional materials include the meeting agenda, speaker biographies, a participant list, discussion group worksheets, an evaluation form, a bibliography, and an organizational resources list. A CD-ROM is provided for electronic access to materials in the folder. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH ORAL HEALTH INSTITUTE: REGION I—SUMMARY OF A REGIONAL INSTITUTE CONVENED BY THE MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BUREAU

Lowe E, Hopewell A. 2006. *Maternal and Child Health Oral Health Institute: Region I—Summary of a Regional Institute Convened by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research. 47 pp.

This report summarizes an oral health regional meeting held on October 24–25, 2005, in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, focusing on developing and sustaining partnerships that improve oral health outcomes for the Maternal and Child Health Bureau’s target populations: children, children with special health care needs, pregnant women, and mothers. Plenary session topics include integrating oral health into overall health; using Medicaid and the State Children’s Health Insurance Program to fund oral health services; developing social marketing campaigns to promote oral health; building partnerships with state dental associations, primary care associations, and rural Native American communities; and meeting the work force challenge through specific outreach initiatives with general dentists, pediatricians,

and other non-oral-health professionals working in child care and education settings. Appendices include a participant list, summary charts of all six state presentations, the meeting agenda, peer-to-peer group assignments, and a summary of priority action steps and technical assistance needs by state. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 2005. *Maternal and Child Health Oral Health Institute: Region VIII*. Rockville, MD: Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 1 v.

This binder contains materials for participants at the Region VIII oral health institute held on November 2–3, 2005, in Denver, Colorado, to look at strategies that states can use to better integrate oral health into maternal and child health (MCH) and children with special health care needs (CSHCN) programs. Topics include (1) increasing the understanding of how optimal oral health is integral to overall health and well-being, (2) developing collaborative strategies to improve access to oral health services for underserved populations, (3) using strategic decision-making regarding future collaborative activities to strengthen MCH and CSHCN programs, (4) using national or state public policy recommendations to increase access to oral health care, and (5) planning future collaborative activities to promote the achievement of MCH-focused goals identified in existing state oral health plans and the technical assistance needs required to accomplish them. Additional contents include the meeting agenda; speaker biographies; a participant list; state reports on oral health status; discussions of the role of the physician in oral health, designing an optimal oral health program and its components, and other topics; and summaries of breakout sessions. Bibliographic and organizational resources are included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH ORAL HEALTH INSTITUTE: REGION VIII REPORT

Hopewell A. 2006. *Maternal and Child Health Oral Health Institute: Region VIII Report*. Washington, DC: Health Systems Research. 60 pp.

This report summarizes the Region VIII oral health institute held on November 2–3, 2005, in Denver, Colorado, focusing on developing and sustaining partnerships that improve oral health outcomes for the Maternal and Child Health Bureau's target populations: children, children with special health care needs, pregnant women, and mothers. Plenary session topics include integrating oral health into overall health; using Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program to fund oral health services; developing social marketing campaigns to promote oral health; building collaborative partnerships with state dental associations, primary care associations, and rural Native American communities; and meeting the work force challenge through specific outreach initiatives with general dentists, pediatricians, and other non-oral-health professionals in child care and education settings. Appendices include a participant list, summary charts of all six state presentations, the meeting agenda, breakout session assignments, and state action plan grids. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ORAL HEALTH AND SCHOOL READINESS: HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT AND EARLY LEARNING

National Oral Health Policy Center and National Center for Infant and Early Childhood Health Policy. 2005. *Oral Health and School Readiness: Healthy Development and Early Learning*. Los Angeles, CA: National Oral Health Policy Center and National Center for Infant and Early Childhood Health Policy. 1 v., 1 CD-ROM.

This folder contains materials for participants attending an oral health conference held on September 19–20, 2005, in Washington, DC. Topics include (1) oral health and its impact on young children's overall health and development and (2) young children's readiness for school and other learning environments. Folder contents include the meeting agenda; participant biographies and a contact list; a white paper on healthy development and early learning; printed PowerPoint slides of presentations on school readiness, understanding oral health in young children, and challenges and opportunities in framing children's oral health; and several sections that provide resources on school readiness and early learning, oral health, health and development, and framing the issues. A CD-ROM is included that provides electronic access to articles, slides, and other resources. Also included is a summer 2005 *Building Bridges* newsletter focusing on school readiness. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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PROMISING APPROACHES AND LESSONS LEARNED FOR PREVENTING OR REDUCING EARLY CHILDHOOD CARIES

Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 2005. *Promising Approaches and Lessons Learned for Preventing or Reducing Early Childhood Caries*. Rockville, MD: Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 1 v.

This notebook contains participant materials from an early childhood caries (ECC) conference held on May 16–17, 2005, in Washington, DC. The conference focused on (1) identifying common program elements from each of the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors Proven and Promising Best Practices for State and Community Oral Health Programs criteria that are necessary to prevent or reduce the incidence of ECC and (2) creating a knowledge base to share with stakeholders that highlights promising program approaches for preventing and reducing the incidence of ECC. Notebook contents include the conference agenda; program overviews; and program descriptions from 12 national, state, and local programs. Background materials include a copy of the American Academy of Pediatrics policy on ECC, a

press release from the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, a statement from the American Dental Association on ECC, and materials from the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. Also included in the notebook are a brochure from Delta Dental and the Washington Dental Service Foundation on oral health. [Funded 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>. Available for loan.

SHAPING THE FUTURE OF ORAL HEALTH: FROM CAVITIES TO ORAL CANCER

District of Columbia Department of Health, Oral Health Division. 2005. *Shaping the Future of Oral Health: From Cavities to Oral Cancer*. Washington, DC: District of Columbia Department of Health, Oral Health Division. 9 items.

This folder contains materials for participants at the Second Oral Health Summit held on November 30, 2005, in Washington, DC. Agenda topics include the Colgate-sponsored Bright Smiles Bright Futures program, school-based programs, coverage and access to care, programs and the community, services for specialized populations, and local initiatives to address disparities. Contents include the summit agenda; speaker biographies; two articles; a report titled "Improving the Oral Health of African American Males"; an information sheet on coalitions for oral health in Washington, DC; a participant list; a report on the First Oral Health Summit, held on July 18, 2003; and a summit evaluation form.

Contact: District of Columbia Department of Health, 825 North Capitol Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20002. Telephone: (202) 671-5000; fax: (202) 442-4788; e-mail: doh@dc.gov; Web site: <http://dchealth.dc.gov/index.asp>. Discounts available for bulk orders.

POLICY

CHILDREN'S DENTAL CARE: PERIODICITY OF CHECKUPS AND ACCESS TO CARE, 2003

Chu M. 2006. *Children's Dental Care: Periodicity of Checkups and Access to Care, 2003*. Rockville, MD: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. 9 pp.

This brief looks at whether dental visit advice was ever offered by a health professional, the periodicity of receiving dental visits, and the affordability of oral health care among children and adolescents ages 2–17. Estimates in the brief are based on data from the Household Component of the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey for 2003, and specifically from sections on child health, preventive care, and access to care.

Contact: Karen Migdail. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Public Affairs Division, 540 Gaither Road, Rockville, MD 20850. Telephone: (301) 427-1364; (800) 358-9295; e-mail: kmigdail@ahrq.gov; Web site: <http://www.ahrq.gov>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.meps.ahrq.gov/papers/st113/stat113.pdf>.

DENTAL MEDICAID REFORM CORE PRINCIPLES AND POLICIES

American Dental Association. 2005. *Dental Medicaid Reform Core Principles and Policies*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 2 pp.

This statement, prepared by the American Dental Association in collaboration with the American Dental Education Association, the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, and the Children's Dental Health Project, outlines dental principles to help advocate Medicaid reform policies to government officials. Topics include preserving federal guarantees of Medicaid coverage, services, and protections; preserving the federal financing role in Medicaid; ensuring and maintaining access to care through adequate provider participation; using the Medicaid waiver process to foster improvement and innovation; and recognizing the interdependence of Medicaid and the public health system.

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/medicaid_principles.asp.

FLUORIDE IN DRINKING WATER: A SCIENTIFIC REVIEW OF EPA'S STANDARDS

National Academy of Sciences. 2006. *Fluoride in Drinking Water: A Scientific Review of EPA's Standards*. Washington, DC: National Academy of Sciences. 4 pp.

This brief discusses research on various health effects from exposure to fluoride, including studies conducted in the last 10 years. Topics include the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) drinking water standards that include fluoride, effects of exposure to fluoride on dental and skeletal systems, an overview of fluoride and cancer, and implications for the EPA's drinking water standards. Recommendations for additional research are provided.

Contact: National Academy of Sciences, 500 5th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20001. E-mail: webmailbox@nas.edu; Web site: <http://www.nas.org/site/pageserver>. \$56.00, plus shipping and handling for full report. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://dels.nas.edu/dels/rpt_briefs/fluoride_brief_final.pdf.

THE GUIDE TO COMMUNITY PREVENTIVE SERVICES FACT SHEET: ORAL HEALTH

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. 2005. *The Guide to Community Preventive Services Fact Sheet: Oral Health*. Washington, DC: Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. 2 pp.

This fact sheet summarizes the Task Force on Community Preventive Services' evaluation and recommendations regarding oral health from the *Guide to Community Preventive Services*. The fact sheet provides background information on the topic, lists interventions that are recommended with strong evidence and interventions with insufficient evidence to determine effectiveness, and includes a list of additional resources. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Lauren Raskin Ramos. Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, 1275 K Street, N.W., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 371-9090; fax: (202) 371-9797; e-mail: lramos@astho.org; Web site: <http://www.astho.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.astho.org/pubs/CommunityGuide-OralHealth.pdf>.

INTEGRATING MCH AND ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS TO IMPROVE HEALTH

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. 2005. *Integrating MCH and Oral Health Programs to Improve Health*. Washington, DC: Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. 12 pp.

This brief addresses issues in disparities in the oral health status of the maternal and child health (MCH) population. The brief focuses on children and adolescents from families with low incomes, children and adolescents from minority groups, and the role of state public health agencies in identifying opportunities to integrate oral health into MCH programs. The brief provides examples of ways that state public health agencies are fostering relationships, highlighting efforts in five areas: (1) surveillance (Alaska, Colorado, Nevada, Ohio, and Wisconsin), (2) prenatal (Louisiana, Pennsylvania, Utah, Wisconsin, and Wyoming), (3) early childhood oral health (Alabama, Nevada, Ohio, Rhode Island, and Texas), (4) increasing access to preventive care (Colorado, Connecticut, Oklahoma, Montana, Nebraska, and South Carolina), and (5) injury-prevention (Arkansas and Kentucky). Resources and contacts for featured state health agencies are provided at the end of the brief. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Lauren Raskin Ramos. Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, 1275 K Street, N.W., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 371-9090; fax: (202) 371-9797; e-mail: lramos@astho.org; Web site: <http://www.astho.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.astho.org/pubs/MCHOralHealthIntegration.pdf>.

MEETING ORAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS IN RURAL AMERICA

National Rural Health Association. 2005. *Meeting Oral Health Care Needs in Rural America*. Kansas City, MO: National Rural Health Association. 4 pp.

This policy brief outlines a call for action to improve oral health and oral health care throughout the country, particularly in rural America. The brief discusses the importance of oral health to overall health and the oral health status of Americans living in rural areas, and it provides recommendations for ways to improve oral health through increasing access to oral health care, improving reimbursement for rural oral health services, and increasing oral health training programs and research. Statistical data are provided throughout the report.

Contact: National Rural Health Association, 521 East 63rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64110. Telephone: (816) 756-3140; fax: (816) 756-3144; Web site: <http://www.NRHArural.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.nrharural.org/advocacy/sub/policybrf.html>.

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THE ORAL HEALTH OF CHILDREN: A PORTRAIT OF STATES AND THE NATION 2005

Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 2006. *The Oral Health of Children: A Portrait of States and the Nation 2005*. Rockville, MD: Maternal and Child Health Bureau. 48 pp.

This chartbook highlights major findings of the 2003 *National Survey of Children's Health* on the oral health of children and adolescents from birth to age 17 and their use of oral health services as reported by participating parents. Survey findings are presented for each state and Washington, DC, and include the percentage of children whose teeth are in excellent or good condition and the percentage of children who received a preventive dental visit in the past year (as reported by their parents). Indicators are also shown by children's age, family income, race and ethnicity, and sex. The technical appendix presents information about the survey sample and methodology. The online version of the chartbook includes an interactive data query feature, which allows users to create their own customized tables and to compare survey results at the national and state levels and by relevant subgroups such as age, race and ethnicity, and family income level. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Cynthia Tibbs. Maternal and Child Health Bureau, 5600 Fishers Lane, Parklawn Building, Room 18-05, Rockville, MD 20857. Telephone: (301) 443-2170; fax: (301) 443-1797; e-mail: ctibbs@hrsa.gov; Web site: <http://www.mchb.hrsa.gov>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://mchb.hrsa.gov/oralhealth/pdf/oralhealth.pdf>.

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PROMOTING THE ORAL HEALTH OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS: IN SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL AGENDA

Balzer J. 2006. *Promoting the Oral Health of Children with Special Health Care Needs: In Support of the National Agenda*. Jefferson City, MO: Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors; Washington,

DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center. 4 pp.

This policy brief provides suggestions for oral-health-promotion activities that are consistent with the National Agenda for Children with Special Health Care Needs. The brief addresses the six critical indicators of a comprehensive system of care identified by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau: (1) medical home, (2) insurance coverage, (3) screening, (4) organization of services, (5) family roles, and (6) transition to adulthood. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: HRSA Information Center, P.O. Box 2910, Merrifield, VA 22116. 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>. Document code: HRSA Info. Ctr. MCH00191. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.mch.oralhealth.org/pdfs/cshcnpolicybrief.pdf>.

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PROTECTING PRECIOUS SMILES: HOW STATES PREVENT ORAL DISEASES AND CURB COSTS

Lorentz D. 2005. *Protecting Precious Smiles: How States Prevent Oral Diseases and Curb Costs*. Lexington, KY: Council of State Governments. 4 pp.

This brief summarizes a Web conference held on August 10, 2005, about ways state policymakers can reduce the burden of oral diseases and reduce health care costs. Topics include the burden and cost of oral disease, how disparities add to the burden, proven prevention and cost-saving strategies, the importance of a comprehensive state oral health program, how the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention helps state efforts, and recommendations for oral health champions.

Contact: Trudi Matthews. Council of State Governments, 2760 Research Park Road, P.O. Box 11910, Lexington, KY 40578-1910. Telephone: (859) 244-8000; (800) 800-1910; (888) 274-4742; fax: (859) 244-8001; Web site: <http://www.csg.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.healthystates.csg.org/NR/rdonlyres/877D3960-FA72-405E-8194-EC4684F0EF13/0/OralHealthBrief2indd.pdf>.

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RESOLUTION ON CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH (UPD. ED.)

National Association of County and City Health Officials. 2005. *Resolution on Children's Oral Health*

(upd. ed.). Washington, DC: National Association of County and City Health Officials. 2 pp.

This resolution adopted by the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) recognizes the prevalence of tooth decay in U.S. children, the importance of good oral health for overall health, the importance of preventing tooth decay, the relationship between socioeconomic and racial and ethnic factors and tooth decay, and the need for *Healthy People 2010* objectives to address these issues. The resolution identifies activities that NACCHO plans to implement in the areas of promoting preventive activities, supporting initiatives at public and private levels, and supporting efforts to increase access to oral health care.

Contact: National Association of County and City Health Officials, 1100 17th Street, N.W., Second Floor, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 783-5550; fax: (202) 783-1583; Web site: <http://www.naccho.org>. Document code: Res. 00-09. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.naccho.org/advocacy/resolutions/documents/00-09.pdf>.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

AVDR TUTORIAL FOR DENTISTS: ASK, VALIDATE, DOCUMENT, AND REFER—INTERVENTION FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

University of California San Francisco, Center for Health Improvement and Prevention Studies. 2005. *AVDR Tutorial for Dentists: Ask, Validate, Document, and Refer—Intervention for Domestic Violence*. San Francisco, CA: University of California San Francisco, Center for Health Improvement and Prevention Studies. 1 DVD.

This DVD provides a multimedia learning experience to help dentists and dental students recognize and respond to domestic violence. Contents include a case study demonstrating how to conduct the ask, validate, document, and refer (AVDR) intervention, which is a four-step intervention that oral health professionals can use as part of a response to domestic violence. The folder for dental schools includes an instructional plan, which explains how to use the other documents included on the DVD. The folder for dentists contains a two-page downloadable document titled “Training Your Staff,” which explains how to use the tutorial in a small group, practice the AVDR steps, and assign follow-up tasks such as creating or updating a list of local resources.

Contact: University of California San Francisco, Center for Health Improvement and Prevention Studies, School of Dentistry, 350 Parnassus Avenue, Suite 905, San Francisco, CA 94117. Telephone: (415) 502-7283; fax: (415) 502-7314; e-mail: chips@ucsf.edu; Web site: <http://www.ucsf.edu/chips>. Single copies available at no charge.

BRIGHT SMILES FOR BABIES: VIRGINIA ORAL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN

Virginia Department of Health, Division of Dental Health. 2005. *Bright Smiles for Babies: Virginia Oral Health Partnership for Children*. Richmond, VA: Virginia Department of Health, Division of Dental Health. 1 v.

This notebook contains training materials for the Early Oral Screening and Fluoride Varnish program for infants and children ages 3 and under. Contents include program guidelines, a health professional pre- and post-test, program forms, a supply list, caregiver educational materials, and a CD-ROM that reviews the steps for staff training and implementation of the program in the dental practice. Printed resources are divided into the following categories: health professional questionnaire, printed PowerPoint presentation slides, oral health assessment, required questionnaires, fluoride varnish application, and client and caregiver information. Some materials in the notebook are provided in Spanish.

Contact: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center, Georgetown University, Box 571272, Washington, DC 20057-1272. Telephone: (202) 784-9771; fax: (202) 784-9777; e-mail: info@mchoralhealth.org; Web site: <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. Available for loan. Selected materials also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.vahealth.org/teeth/brightsmiles.asp>.

CORE CURRICULUM READING LIST

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, Council on Postdoctoral Education. 2006. *Core Curriculum Reading List*. Chicago, IL: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, Council on Postdoctoral Education. 1 CD-ROM.

This CD-ROM contains core curriculum reading lists in oral health and includes 160 articles in their entirety. Topics include diagnosis and treatment planning, prevention, growth and development and orthodontics,

special care for patients with special health care needs, conscious sedation, restorative dentistry, pulp therapy, trauma, and behavior management.

Contact: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 700, Chicago, IL 60611-2663. Telephone: (312) 337-2169; fax: (312) 337-6329; e-mail: jrutkauskas@aapd.org; Web site: <http://www.aapd.org>. \$75.00, includes shipping and handling.

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS: THE DENTAL TEAM'S ROLE

Illinois Department of Public Health and University of Illinois at Chicago, Disaster Emergency Medicine Readiness Training Center. 2005. *Disaster Preparedness: The Dental Team's Role*. Chicago, IL: University of Illinois at Chicago, Disaster Emergency Medicine Readiness Training Center. 1 DVD.

This DVD showcases the satellite conference for dentists, dental hygienists, and local health department preparedness staff held on May 18, 2005, at the University of Illinois at Chicago Disaster Emergency Medicine Readiness Training Center. Topics include the "all hazard" response, the current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention level A agents, the potential role of oral health professionals in the preparedness and response arena, and perspectives of various collaborating agencies such as the American Medical Association, the American Dental Association, and the Illinois State Dental Society. DVD contents include presentations, PowerPoint presentation slides, and supporting articles.

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FIRST SMILES

First Smiles Education and Training Project. 2005-. *First Smiles*. Sacramento, CA: California Dental Association Foundation and Oakland, CA: Dental Health Foundation. 4 items.

This Web site offers education and training for oral health professionals, medical professionals, early child-

hood educators, and parents of young children (including those with special health care needs) on the prevention of early childhood caries. Tips sheets for anticipatory guidance are for the following groups: prenatal, birth to age 1, ages 1 to 2, and ages 3 to 5. Additional information sheets for oral health professionals offer tips for managing child behavior, providing anticipatory guidance, and overcoming barriers to oral health care.

Contact: Rolande Tellier. California Dental Association Foundation, First Smiles Education and Training Project, 1201 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Telephone: (916) 554-4918; fax: (916) 498-6182; e-mail: rolande.tellier@cda.org; Web site: <http://www.first5oralhealth.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.first5oralhealth.org>.

KNOWLEDGE PATH: ORAL HEALTH AND CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

Lorenzo SB, Holt KA. 2006. *Knowledge Path: Oral Health and Children and Adolescents*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

This electronic guide contains recent, high-quality resources that analyze data, describe effective programs, and report on policy and research aimed at improving access to and the quality of oral health for children and adolescents. The knowledge path includes information on (and links to) Web sites and electronic publications; journal articles; books, reports, and other print publications; databases; and discussion groups and electronic newsletters. The path is intended for use by health professionals, policymakers, program administrators, and families who are interested in tracking timely information on this topic. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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METH MOUTH

Methamphetamine Awareness and Prevention Project, South Dakota. 2006. *Meth Mouth*. Sioux, SD: Prairie View Prevention Services. 3 pp.

This fact sheet presents information on oral-health-related issues associated with methamphetamine (meth) abuse. Topics include meth ingredients and method of use, direct and side effects of meth and lifestyle choices of individuals who abuse it, symptoms of abuse and what precautions oral health professionals should take when treating an individual who abuses meth, and helping health workers diagnose meth abuse. Images of oral cavity damage due to meth abuse are also included.

Contact: Kevin Jensen. Prairie View Prevention Services, Methamphetamine Awareness and Prevention Project, 822 41st Street, Suite 235, Sioux Falls, SD 57105. Telephone: (605) 331-5724; (800) 343-9272; fax: (605) 331-5725; Web site: <http://www.mapps.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.mapps.org/meth%20mouth2.htm>.

OPENING THE MOUTH: CONTINUING MCH EDUCATION IN ORAL HEALTH

Edelstein B. 2005. *Opening the Mouth: Continuing MCH Education in Oral Health*. New York, NY: Columbia Center for New Media Teaching and Learning and Columbia School of Dental and Oral Surgery.

This Web-based training program provides non-oral-health professionals with an introduction to oral health and tooth decay in infants and toddlers. The program discusses the prevalence of tooth decay among children, tooth decay as a chronic disease, unmet oral health care needs among children, and the consequences of these unmet needs. Other topics include an overview of oral health in America, tooth decay, and periodontal disease and its consequences. Topics are reviewed in developmental time periods (from conception to birth and early childhood). Additional information about treatment options, action steps, recommendations for states, and other sources of program support are included, along with a list of references. The Web site materials are presented in HTML and videotape formats.

Contact: Columbia University Medical Center, School of Dental and Oral Surgery, 630 West 168th Street, PH-7E, New York, NY 10032. Telephone: (202) 305-4511; Web site: <http://dental.columbia.edu>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://ccnmtl.columbia.edu/projects/otm/index.html>.

ORAL HEALTH: PREVENTING CAVITIES, GUM DISEASE, AND TOOTH LOSS (REV. ED.)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 2006. *Oral Health: Preventing Cavities, Gum Disease, and Tooth Loss* (rev. ed.). Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 4 pp.

This fact sheet provides an overview of oral health problems, focusing on the pain, cost, and preventability of such problems for children and adults. Information about the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC's) leadership role in building capacity in the states, encouraging effective uses of fluoride, targeting mouth and throat cancers, and guiding infection control in dentistry is presented. In addition, the fact sheet presents information on CDC's role in helping states reach vulnerable populations, provide fluoridation training, support a national research network, and monitor oral health.

Contact: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health, 4770 Buford Highway, N.E., Mailstop F-10, Atlanta, GA 30341-3717. Telephone: (770) 488-6054; (888) CDC-FACT (232-3228); e-mail: oralhealth@cdc.gov; Web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth>. Available at no charge; also available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/publications/aag/oh.htm>.

PEDIATRIC DENTAL CARD FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. n.d. *Pediatric Dental Card for Health Care Professionals*. Chicago, IL: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. 2 pp.

This laminated and illustrated card provides information on pediatric dentistry topics important to health professionals. Topics include fluoride, diet and nutrition, nonnutritive sucking, infant (6 to 12 months) oral examinations, caries risk assessment, and early childhood caries. Information is provided for infants and preschool-age children, school-age children, and adolescents.

Contact: American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 700, Chicago, IL 60611-2663. Telephone: (312) 337-2169; (312) 337-2169; fax: (312) 337-6329; e-mail: jrutkauskas@aapd.org; Web site: <http://www.aapd.org>. Available for purchase in packs of 10 for \$20.00.

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

Barzel R, Holt K, Isman B. 2006. *Special Care: An Oral Health Professional's Guide to Serving Young Children with Special Health Care Needs*. Washington, DC: National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

This curriculum provides oral health professionals with information to ensure that young children with special health care needs have access to health-promotion and disease-prevention services that address their unique oral health needs in a comprehensive, family-centered, and community-based manner. Modules include (1) an overview of children with special health care needs and oral health, (2) providing optimal oral health care, (3) oral health supervision, (4) prevention of oral disease, and (5) behavior management. Each module includes an overview, learning objectives, key points, a post-test, references, and resources. A glossary, a bibliography, a list of agencies and organizations, and a curriculum evaluation are also included. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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TRAINING MANUAL FOR STANDARDIZED ORAL HEALTH SCREENING: SCHOOLCHILDREN—KENTUCKY CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM 2005

Cecil JC, Ferretti GA. 2005. *Training Manual for Standardized Oral Health Screening: Schoolchildren—Kentucky Children's Oral Health Surveillance Program 2005*. Lexington, KY: University of Kentucky College of Dentistry, Department of Oral Health Science. 89 pp.

This training manual is written to standardize the procedures for oral health screening of third- and ninth-grade students in Kentucky as part of an overall assessment and surveillance of oral health in the state's children and adolescents. Contents include a description and samples of survey forms, parent letters and consent forms, the screening form, the dental report card, sample data forms and reports, guidelines, instruc-

tions, protocol and sequelae, reimbursement policies and procedures, and data-entry program instructions and guidelines. Appendices provide information on survey regions of the state, codes for sites and screeners, a contact list, and a restocking form. This manual supplements the Screening Training Project videotape and is intended to provide more detailed information and to serve as a ready reference for those conducting an oral screening survey. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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PROGRAMS

2006 ORAL HEALTH SURVEY PROTOCOL AND CONSENT FORM

Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 2006. *2006 Oral Health Survey Protocol and Consent Form*. Des Moines, IA: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau. 2 items.

This protocol and parental consent form were developed for use by health professionals in conducting school-based oral health screenings in Iowa. The protocol addresses the consent form; the parent referral letter; infection control, lighting, retraction, and visualization; visibility; instrumentation; and screening for cavitated lesions, filled teeth, and dental sealants. The consent form is used to obtain permission to perform an oral screening, a height and weight screening, or both and includes questions about the child's dental home, dental visits, insurance, and eligibility for the free or reduced-cost National School Lunch Program. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Iowa Department of Public Health, Oral Health Bureau, Lucas State Office Building, Third Floor, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0075. Telephone: (515) 281-7715; fax: (515) 242-6384; trodgers@idph.state.ia.us; Web site: http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/oral_health.asp. Available at no charge.

COLORADO SCHOOL-BASED PIT AND FISSURE SEALANTS: BE SMART AND SEAL THEM!

Colorado Department of Public Health and the Environment, Oral, Rural and Primary Care Section. 2006. *Colorado School-Based Pit and Fissure Sealants: Be Smart and Seal Them!* Denver, CO: Colorado Department of Public Health and the Environment, Oral, Rural and Primary Care Section. 10 items.

This packet contains documents from a program in Colorado designed to identify second-grade children who will benefit from the placement of dental sealants on permanent molar teeth. The program provides an oral screening and one-on-one instruction in oral care, classroom presentations on oral hygiene and dental sealants, presentations on oral health for parents, and referrals for children who need restorative or emergency care. Information about the use of dental sealants in the primary prevention of caries is also included. The documents are intended for use by volunteer dentists, hygienists, and student dentists and dental hygienists in providing services on site at elementary schools. Documents include a brochure, fact sheets, and a card. The materials are available in English and Spanish. [Funded in part by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Oral Health Program, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive, South, PSD-OH-A4, Denver, CO 80246. Telephone: (303) 692-2470; fax: (303) 758-3448; e-mail: cdphe.psdrequests@state.co.us; Web site: <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/pp/oralhealth/oralhealth.htm>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/pp/oralhealth/dentalsealants.html>.

COMMUNICATIONS GUIDE FOR STATE ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS: MEDIA OUTREACH MATERIALS

Oral Health America. 2006. *Communications Guide for State Oral Health Programs: Media Outreach Materials*. Chicago, IL: Oral Health America. 15 pp.

This resource assists oral health programs in creating and disseminating press releases and other communication tools to the media. It provides tips on writing techniques and provides sample press releases for national and local distribution.

Contact: Liz Rogers. Oral Health America, 410 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 352, Chicago, IL 60611-4211. Telephone: (312) 836-9900; fax: (312) 836-9986; e-mail: liz@oralhealthamerica.org; Web site: <http://www.oralhealthamerica.org>.

[healthamerica.org](http://www.oralhealthamerica.org/pdf/mediatipsfinal2006.pdf). Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.oralhealthamerica.org/pdf/mediatipsfinal2006.pdf>.

COMMUNITY-BASED ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS: A NEED AND PLAN FOR EVALUATION

Silow-Carroll S, Alteras T. 2005. *Community-Based Oral Health Programs: A Need and Plan for Evaluation*. Battle Creek, MI: W. K. Kellogg Foundation. 19 pp.

This report lays out a plan and parameters for developing an evaluation "toolbox" for community-based oral health programs. It is based on a review of program evaluations and interviews with community-based oral health experts, program administrators, providers, policymakers, and researchers. Topics include why evaluation is important and who benefits, components of program evaluation, and challenges in the evaluation process.

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/oralhealthevalreport-final6-22-05_00250_03767.pdf.

FACT SHEET: MEDICAID COVERAGE OF ORTHODONTIA FOR CHILDREN

Kulkarni MP. 2005. *Fact Sheet: Medicaid Coverage of Orthodontia for Children*. Washington, DC: National Health Law Program. 12 pp.

This fact sheet outlines the funding provisions in Medicaid, particularly the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment program, that entitles children to oral examinations, as well as diagnosis and treatment of oral health conditions such as dental caries, periodontal disease, and malocclusion. Topics include malocclusion and orthodontia, screening tools to authorize Medicaid coverage of orthodontia, case law support for Medicaid coverage, and advocacy tips. Extensive notes and references are provided throughout the fact sheet. Additional resources for advocates are also included.

Contact: Brendan McTaggart. National Health Law Program, 1101 14th Street, N.W., Suite 405, Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: (202) 289-7661; fax: (202) 289-7724; e-mail: nhelp@healthlaw.org; Web site: <http://www.healthlaw.org>. Available at no charge from

the Web site at <http://www.healthlaw.org/library.cfm?fa=summarize&appView=Topic&id=1331>.

A GUIDE FOR DEVELOPING AND ENHANCING COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

American Association for Community Dental Programs. 2006. *A Guide for Developing and Enhancing Community Oral Health Programs*. Cincinnati, OH: American Association for Community Dental Programs. 52 pp.

This guide walks local public health agencies through the steps for developing, integrating, expanding, or enhancing community oral health programs. Steps include (1) mobilize community support, (2) assess needs and existing resources, (3) plan the program, (4) implement the program, (5) evaluate the program, and (6) participate in policy development and research. Throughout the guide, resources related to each step are identified and described. Web site addresses are provided when available. The guide includes an overview, a conclusion, and references. Also included are four appendices: (1) resources organized by steps, (2) a list of resources by topic area, (3) effective community and individual preventive measures for dental caries prevention and a comparison of five effective community prevention programs for dental caries, and (4) a crosswalk between 10 essential public health services, essential public health services to promote oral health in the United States, and dental public health competencies.

Contact: Jackie Campbell. American Association for Community Dental Programs, 635 West 7th Street, Suite 301, Cincinnati, OH 45203. Telephone: (513) 621-0248; fax: (513) 621-0288; e-mail: info@aacdp.org. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://www.aacdp.com>.

HEAD START ORAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Nevada State Health Division, Oral Health Program with Community Coalition for Oral Health. 2006. *Head Start Oral Health Resources*. Carson City, NV: Nevada State Health Division, Oral Health Program. 8 items.

This set of online materials provides the following: (1) a caries risk assessment screening tool to be used with parents to determine a child's risk category regarding oral health; (2) a PowerPoint presentation for Head

Start staff and parents covering basic oral health education topics; and (3) a PowerPoint presentation for Head Start staff and parents that offers information about fluoride, the types of fluoride, and the benefits of fluoride. The PowerPoint presentations include pre-tests and post-tests. All items are available in English and Spanish.

Contact: Christine Wood. Nevada State Health Division, Oral Health Initiative, 3427 Goni Road, Suite 108, Carson City, NV 89706. Telephone: (775) 684-4285; e-mail: pcwood@nvhd.state.nv.us; Web site: <http://health2k.state.nv.us/oral>. Available at no charge from the Web site at <http://health2k.state.nv.us/oral/headstart/headstart.doc>.

ILLINOIS DENTAL SEALANT TOOLKIT

Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Oral Health. 2006. *Illinois Dental Sealant Toolkit*. Springfield, IL: Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Oral Health. 7 items.

This toolkit is designed to assist providers of public health services in developing and implementing programs to provide dental sealants to children in Illinois who are at high risk for dental caries. Contents include (1) talking points for oral health education for second- and sixth-grade students; (2) sample handouts and activities for use in the classroom and to take home, including some fact sheets in Spanish; and (3) a list of resources. The toolkit also contains an oversized toothbrush, a mouth model, a mirror, a sample container of floss, a sealant material container, and a model of a sealed tooth. A 15-minute VHS videotape about dental sealants is also included. [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>. Available on site only.

A MODEL FRAMEWORK FOR COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS: BASED UPON THE TEN ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

American Association for Community Dental Programs. 2006. *A Model Framework for Community Oral Health Programs: Based Upon the Ten Essential*

Public Health Services. Cincinnati, OH: American Association for Community Dental Program. 8 pp.

This document provides guidance to public health agency leaders and policymakers in developing oral health programs and services at the local or community level and provides a context in which to consider the relationship of oral health activities to public health responsibilities and desired outcomes. Oral-health-specific topics are discussed as they related to the 10 essential public health services developed by the Work Group of the Core Public Health Functions Steering Committee. Topics include monitoring health status of the community; diagnosing and investigating health problems and hazards; developing policies and plans; enforcing laws and regulations; linking people to needed health services; ensuring a competent health work force; assessing the effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of health services; and continuing research. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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PROGRAM REVIEW: 2005

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Oral Health. 2005. *Program Review: 2005*. Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Oral Health. 107 pp.

This annual report provides an overview of the activities and accomplishments of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Oral Health. Regular features include an organization chart, staff list, and division profile. Priorities are outlined, and accomplishments are presented in several parts. Topics include capacity-building in state programs and in monitoring; efforts to strengthen prevention strategies; and dissemination of data, findings, and effective prevention policies. Additional sections include selected state examples, future directions, publications produced, and scientific observations.

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SMILE SMARTS!: AN ORAL HEALTH CURRICULUM FOR PRESCHOOL–GRADE 8

American Dental Association. 2005. *Smile Smarts!: An Oral Health Curriculum for Preschool–Grade 8*. Chicago, IL: American Dental Association. 46 pp. plus student handouts.

This curriculum provides oral health instruction for students in preschool through eighth grade. Contents include modular lesson plans, support materials, hands-on classroom demonstrations, student activity sheets, and suggestions for additional oral health activities. Lessons are provided for the following groups: preschool to first grade (ages 4–7), grades 2–3 (ages 7–9), grades 4–6 (ages 9–12), and grades 7–8 (ages 12–14). Topics include the importance of teeth, keeping teeth clean and healthy, visiting the dentist regularly, nutrition for healthy teeth, definitions of plaque and cavities, primary and permanent teeth sets, the importance of flossing, an overview of dental sealants, and using a mouthguard when playing sports.

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/education/teachers/smilesarts/smilesarts_curriculum.pdf.

SMILE SURVEY, 2006

Washington State Department of Health. 2006. *Smile Survey, 2006*. Olympia, WA: Washington State Department of Health, Maternal and Child Health. 57 pp.

This report presents data collected during Washington's *Smile Survey*. The report focuses on several groups: children who attend elementary school statewide, children from families with low incomes who attend preschool, and American Indian/Alaska Native children who attend preschool and elementary school. Contents include comparisons to *Healthy People 2010* objectives, oral health trends over time, and comparisons to other states. Data on tooth decay are presented in the following areas: overall presence of tooth decay, economic level, racial/ethnic background, access to oral health care, and access to dental sealants. Numerous charts, graphs, and tables are used to present data.

Contact: Joseli Alves-Dunkerson. Washington State Department of Health, Oral Health Program, P.O. Box 47880, 7171 Cleanwater Lane, Building 7, Olympia, WA 98504-7880. Telephone: (360) 236-3531; fax: (360) 586-7868; e-mail: joseli.alves-dunkerson@doh.wa.gov; Web site: http://www.doh.wa.gov/oral_health/index.htm. Available at no charge. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/oral_health/documents/smilesurvey2005fullreport.pdf.

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USER'S MANUAL FOR SEALS: SEALANT EFFICIENCY FOR LOCALS AND STATES

Jones K, Griffin S. 2006. *User's Manual for SEALS: Sealant Efficiency for Locals and States*. Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health. 1 v.

This manual provides instruction for an evaluation and benchmarking tool for administrators of community dental sealant programs. Contents include a statement of purpose, an overview of the program, entering and editing program data, generating and exporting reports, and exiting the program. The appendix includes various sample forms for screening, treatment, and follow-up; data collection; calculating event costs; and event- and program-level reports.

Contact: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Oral Health, 4770 Buford Highway, N.E., Mailstop F-10, Atlanta, GA 30341-3717. Telephone: (770) 488-6054; (888) CDC-FACT (232-3228); e-mail: oralhealth@cdc.gov; Web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth>. Available at no charge.

STATE REPORTS

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT ORAL HEALTH IN ALASKA

Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Women's, Children's, and Families Health Section. 2005. *Child and Adolescent Oral Health in Alaska*. Anchorage, AK: Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Women's, Children's, and Family Health Section. 3 pp.

This fact sheet outlines the oral health and oral-health-related service needs of children and adolescents in

Alaska, a chosen priority issue for the Title V Block Grant needs-assessment reporting requirement. Topics include the prevalence of tooth decay among children and adolescents in Alaska and nationwide, interventions and recommendations, and capacity. Reference and data sources are provided. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Women's, Children's, and Family Health Section, 4501 Business Park Boulevard, Suite 24, Anchorage, AK 99503-7167. Telephone: (907) 269-3400; (800) 799-7570; fax: (907) 269-3465; Web site: <http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/wcfh>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.epi.hss.state.ak.us/mcheipi/pubs/facts/fs2005na_v3_03.pdf.

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CHILDREN'S ORAL HEALTH

Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy. 2005. *Children's Oral Health*. Albany, NY: Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy. 4 pp.

This brief on children's oral health explores programs and policy interventions that can support the development of healthy children in New York. It focuses on oral health, dental caries, barriers to access to oral health care, and the role of fluoridation and dental sealants in children's oral health. Topics also include the burden of poverty, the impact of poor health on children, emerging evidence of poor oral health and its impact on adverse pregnancy outcomes, and interventions that are available but underutilized. Recommendations, a conclusion, and references are provided.

Contact: Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy, 150 State Street, Fourth Floor, Albany, NY 12207. Telephone: (518) 463-1896; fax: (518) 463-3364; e-mail: sharmon@scaany.org; Web site: <http://www.scaany.org>. Available at no charge; also available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.scaany.org/resources/documents/oral_health_1105_000.pdf.

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"MOMMY, IT HURTS TO CHEW": THE CALIFORNIA SMILE SURVEY—AN ORAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT OF CALIFORNIA'S KINDERGARTEN AND 3RD GRADE CHILDREN

Dental Health Foundation. 2006. *"Mommy, It Hurts to Chew": The California Smile Survey—An Oral Health Assessment of California's Kindergarten and 3rd Grade*

Children. Oakland, CA: Dental Health Foundation. 24 pp. plus appendices.

This brief summarizes the oral health survey of children in 186 elementary schools conducted in 2005 in California. The brief describes the methods used in the oral health screenings, six key findings from the results, and recommendations on developing a broad-based approach for reducing the impact of oral disease on children and their families and public programs. The recommendations section describes issues and suggests actions in the areas of developing a comprehensive oral health surveillance system, eliminating barriers to care, and preventing tooth decay.

Contact: Janet Tsao. Dental Health Foundation, 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.dentalhealthfoundation.org>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://www.dentalhealthfoundation.org/topics/public/For%20web/DHF_2006_Report_tryfix1.pdf.

ORAL HEALTH AMONG CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS IN ALASKA

Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Women's, Children's, and Family Health Section. 2005. *Oral Health Among Children with Special Health Care Needs in Alaska*. Anchorage, AK: Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Women's, Children's, and Family Health Section. 3 pp.

This fact sheet outlines the oral-health and oral-health-related service needs of children and adolescents with special health care needs in Alaska, a chosen priority issue for the Title V Block Grant needs-assessment reporting requirement. Topics include prevalence of tooth decay among children with special health care needs in Alaska and nationwide, interventions and recommendations, and capacity. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

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ORAL HEALTH CARE AMONG PREGNANT WOMEN AND WOMEN IN ALASKA

Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Women's, Children's, and Family Health Section. 2005. *Oral Health Care Among Pregnant Women and Women in Alaska*. Anchorage, AK: Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Women's, Children's, and Family Health Section. 3 pp.

This fact sheet outlines the oral-health and oral-health-related service needs of pregnant women and other women in Alaska, a chosen priority issue for the Title V Block Grant needs-assessment reporting requirement. Topics include prevalence of tooth decay among women in Alaska and nationwide, interventions and recommendations, and capacity. [Funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau]

Contact: Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Women's, Children's, and Family Health Section, 4501 Business Park Boulevard, Suite 24, Anchorage, AK 99503-7167. Telephone: (907) 269-3400; (800) 799-7570; fax: (907) 269-3465; Web site: <http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/wcfh>. Available at no charge from the Web site at http://epi.alaska.gov/mchepi/mchfacts/fs2005na_v1_02.pdf.

ORAL HEALTH PLAN FOR NEW YORK STATE

New York State Department of Health. 2005. *Oral Health Plan for New York State*. Albany, NY: New York State Department of Health. 45 pp.

This plan addresses the burden of oral disease in New York and identifies goals, objectives, and strategies on a broad spectrum of issues related to policy, prevention, access, work force, and surveillance and research. Sections provide an executive summary; an overview of oral health; priority areas of opportunity for improving oral health; a review of prevalence, risk factors, and work force issues; and programs and practices. Appendices include oral health objectives from the *Healthy People 2010* initiatives and information on contributors to the report. Statistical information is provided in charts and graphs throughout the report.

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