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The Michigan
Oral Health Program

Building a Stronger,
Healthier Michigan

Now that's something to **SMILE** about!



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Getting a Head Start in Michigan

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Objectives

- Becoming a dental hygienist liaison (DHL)
- Michigan specific program
- Collaborations
- DHL activities
- Materials and resources
- Successes and challenges



Introductions



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Collaborations



The Central District Dental Hygienists' Society serving the counties of Ingham, Eaton, Clinton, Shiawassee and Livingston




Capital Area Community Services, Inc
Head Start and Early Childhood Programs



Capital Area Community Services Health Advisory Committee

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Head Start Oral Health Form—Children

Patient Information

Child's name _____ Child's date of birth _____
 This practice is the child's dental home: Yes No

Current Oral Health Status

Does the child have any teeth with untreated decay? Yes (decay) No (decay free)
 Does the child have any teeth that have previously been treated for decay, including fillings, crowns, or extractions? Yes No
 Are there treatment needs? Yes, urgent Yes, not urgent No treatment needs

Oral Health Care Services Delivered During Visit

| | | |
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| Diagnostic/Preventive Services | Counseling/Anticipatory Guidance | Restorative/Emergency Care |
| Examination: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Fillings: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| X-rays: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | Crowns: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Risk assessment: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Referral to Specialty Care | Extractions: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Cleaning: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Emergency care: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Fluoride varnish: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | Other: _____ |
| Dental sealants: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | (Please specify specialist) | (Please specify) |

Future Oral Health Care Services

All treatment completed: Yes No Next recall date: _____ / _____ (month/year)
 More appointments needed for treatment? Yes No
 If yes: Approximate number of appointments needed: _____ Next appointment: Date: _____ Time: _____

Additional Information for Parents, Head Start Staff, and Medical Providers

Oral Health Provider's Contact Information and Signature

Provider name (please print) _____ Phone number _____ Fax number _____
 Practice name _____ Address _____
 Provider signature _____ Date of service _____

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PA 161: Public Dental Prevention Program

“A dental hygienist may perform dental hygiene services under the supervision of a dentist as part of a **program for dentally underserved populations** in this state conducted by a local, state, or federal grantee health agency for patients who are not assigned by a dentist.”



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PA 161: Public Dental Prevention Program



- Administered by Michigan Department of Community Health Oral Health Program
- Allows collaborative practice arrangement to deliver preventive care to unassigned and underserved populations in Michigan
- Non-profit agencies receive 2-year approval to provide care
- 2 Head Start agencies are PA 161 grantees



PA 161: Public Dental Prevention Program

DHL Activities

- Encourage Head Start participation in PA 161 programs
- Provide direct services
- Educate Head Start staff and parents using standardized training program
- Promote use of oral health materials in Head Start programs



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Michigan Oral Health Coalition and Clare County

**Food, Family
and Fun:
Growing Great
Families**

February 23, 2012 • 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Mid Michigan Community Action Agency
1574 E. Washington Road • Farwell, Michigan

**February is
Children's Dental Health Month!**
As a parent, are you interested in the relationship
between healthy eating and optimal oral health
for you and your family?

If so, then join us February 23 for a **FREE**
workshop. Registered Dietitian Kati Mera and
Registered Dental Hygienist Susan Drenning will
offer practical advice on meal planning, budgeting,
tooth development and care. This workshop is the
first in a 3-part series and includes on-site child
care, family style dinner, coursework and a chance
to learn alongside other Clare County parents.
Participants will walk away with new tools, simple
home activities and a large network of parents
and resources. Future workshop dates are March
23 (Part 2), and April 19 (Part 3).



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Kindergarten Round-Up Oral Health Assessment
Clare Public Schools and Harrison Community Schools




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Presentations



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Cavity Free Kids

Cavity Free Kids Training for Parents



- Free dental exam and cleaning for every Early Head Start parent who attends this training!
- Free books for both children and adults!
- Free Make-it/take-it flannel board stories and finger puppets.

We are very happy to invite you to the Cavity Free Kids Training for parents!

Discussion: What causes cavities, fun ways to get children to brush their teeth, and how to keep your child cavity free.

Fun: Activities and door prizes

Date: Tuesday, November 26, 2013

Time: 9:00am-12:30 pm

Place: Early Childhood Learning Center
(114 W. North St., Owosso, 48867)



~*Dinner and child care provided!*-~

Must register by November 22, 2013

Reservations are limited so act fast!

Please contact **Brenda Martinez**, Oral Health Coordinator, at 517-482-1504 ext. 132 or e-mail at Brenda.martinez@cacshheadstart.org to reserve your spot!



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Parent Education Days



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Training Resources



Effective oral health practices vary depending on the developmental skills of each child. Tooth decay is the most common childhood disease. It is caused by bacteria that can be shared from person to person. Brushing twice daily is one of the most effective ways to prevent tooth decay and promote good oral health. When children have a healthy mouth, they can speak more clearly, eat healthy foods, and feel good about themselves. A healthy mouth also means children can better focus and learn, have a pain-free mouth, and incur fewer dental costs.

Assessment, Follow-up,
and Treatment

Education Activities

Policies and Procedures

<http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/health/center/oral-health/oral-health.html>

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Brush Up on Oral Health

August 2013

- **Oral Health and Home Visits**
- **Why Promoting Oral Health During Home Visits Is Important**
- **Promoting Oral Health During Home Visits: What Head Start Staff Can Do**
- **Cook's Corner: Recipes for Healthy Snacks**

Did you Know?

A child is at risk for tooth decay as soon as the first tooth starts coming in. Tooth decay can be prevented when good oral health habits start early.

Home visitors can help families understand the importance of oral health. They can also teach families how to keep their teeth healthy.

Oral Health and Home Visits

Home visiting is a method for delivering comprehensive services to families in Early Head Start and Head Start.

During home visits, families (pregnant women, parents, and children) can learn important information to keep themselves healthy and safe. Visits can cover health, child development, parenting, home safety, and how to get health care and social services.

Common oral health issues discussed during home visits include personal oral health care, healthy food choices, tooth decay, and dental visits. Some of these topics are covered in earlier issues of *Brush Up on Oral Health*.

This issue of *Brush Up on Oral Health* discusses promoting oral health during home visits. It also offers simple tips for talking about oral health during visits.

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Why Promoting Oral Health During Home Visits Is Important

Sharing information about oral health with families shows that a healthy mouth is important. A woman who takes care of her mouth and gets a dental checkup when she is pregnant is more likely to stay healthy and have a healthy baby. A child whose teeth are brushed twice a day with fluoride toothpaste, who is fed healthy foods during regularly scheduled meals and snacks, and who is taken for dental checkups is more



Bright Futures
in Practice:
ORAL HEALTH
Pocket Guide

A Healthy Smile for Your Baby
Tips to Keep Your Baby Healthy

Dos sonrisas saludables
Consejos para mantenerse a ti y a tu bebé sanos

A Healthy Smile for Your Young Child
Tips to Keep Your Child Healthy

Taking care of your baby's gums and teeth is important. Clean your baby's gums or brush your baby's teeth, give your baby healthy foods, and take your baby to the dentist by the time he or she is 1 year old. If you take care of your teeth, it will help your baby's teeth stay healthy, too.

El cuidado de tu boca durante el embarazo es importante para ti y para tu bebé. Cepillarse, usar hilo dental, comer saludable y visitar al dentista para recibir chequeos y tratamientos ayudan a mantenerse sana a ti y a tu bebé.

Care of your young child's oral health is important. Give your child's teeth, give your child healthy foods, and take your child to the dentist. If you take care of your teeth, it will help your child's teeth stay healthy, too.



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National and State Perinatal Initiatives



Michigan's Infant Mortality Reduction Plan



Oral Health Care During Pregnancy:
A National Consensus Statement
Summary of an Expert Workgroup Meeting



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Home Visiting



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Successes

- Joined Michigan Head Start Association
- Trained parents and staff
- Attended Head Start conferences
- Established collaborations
- Provided role modeling
- Utilized assessment codes



Challenges

Challenges are what make life interesting. Overcoming them is what makes it meaningful.

- Time
- PA 161 administration
- State level collaborations
- Engaging parents, staff, and volunteers
- Finding funding sources



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