Fulfilling the Potential of State Oral Health Programs

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Oral Health Program
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History

- 1999 - Oral Health Initiative
- 2001 - CDC Cooperative Agreement
Funding

• CDC CA - 90%
• MCH Block Grant - 10%
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1. To maintain oral health program leadership capacity.

(Assessment. Policy Development, Assurance)
**CDC Funded Staff**

- Oral Health Program Manager
- State Dental Health Consultant
- Biostatistician
- Fluoridation Consultant
- Administrative Assistant
- Evaluation Specialist (in process)
- Coalition Coordinator (in process)

**MCH Funded Staff**

- Health Educator
- Health Information Officer/Sealant Coordinator
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2. To describe the oral health disease burden health disparities and unmet needs in the state.

(Assessment)
Reports

2003
• Third Grade BSS Report
• Oral Health Program 2003 Annual Report
• Burden of Oral Disease 2003

2004
• Head Start BSS Report
• Oral Health Program 2004 Annual Report
• Burden of Oral Disease 2004
• 2003 BRFSS Report
3. To update a comprehensive five-year State Oral Health Plan.

(Policy Development)
2004 State Oral Health Plan

- 2nd Iteration
- A plan to promote oral health in Nevada
- Infrastructure Development, Direct Services, Population-Based Services, Enabling Services
- A National Call to Action
- Stakeholders participation
4. To sustain a diverse statewide oral health coalition to assist in formulation of plans, guide project activities and identify additional financial resources.

(Policy Development and Assurance)
Oral Health Coalitions

State Oral Healthy Advisory Committee
Community Coalition for Oral Health (Clark County)
Northern Nevada Dental Coalition for Underserved Populations (Washoe County)
Elko Oral Health Coalition
Lyon County Healthy Smiles, Inc
Tooth Fairy Council (Clark County)
5. To enhance the oral disease surveillance system by continuing to collect, analyze and disseminate data to support program activity, including a surveillance plan logic model consistent with the CDC Surveillance Logic Model.

(Assessment)
Nevada’s Surveillance Plan

- Annual BSS (3rd Grade, Preschool, Seniors repeated on a 3 year cycle)
- Annual BRFSS (Adults)
- Annual Crackdown on Cancer (Adolescents)
- Annual Medicaid Data
- Annual Licensing Data
- Monthly WFRS
- Annual YRBS – Working on it!
6. To identify prevention opportunities for systematic, socio-political and/or policy change to improve oral health by conducting a periodic assessment of policy and systems level strategies with potential to reduce oral disease.  
(Policy Development)
Policy Development

- Legislature
- State Board of Dental Examiners
- Insurance Commissioner
- Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
- Department of Education
7. To develop and coordinate partnerships to increase State level and community capacity to address specific oral disease prevention intervention.

(Assurance)
Oral Health Partners

- Great Basin Primary Care Association
- Health Access Washoe County
- Saint Mary’s/Northern Nevada Dental Health Program
- Miles for Smiles
- Huntridge Teen Clinic
- Crackdown on Cancer
- Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education (WICHE)
- Pediatric Dental Residency Program
- General Practice Residency Program
- UNLV School of Dental Medicine
- TMCC and CCSN Dental Hygiene Programs
- Other Divisions and Bureaus in the Department of Human Resources
- Department of Education and local school districts
8. To coordinate and implement a limited community water fluoridation program.

(Assurance)
Fluoridation

- Partner with the Bureau of Health Protection Services to develop and implement fluoridation training and inspections
- Collect and input data in WFRS
- Fluoridation education
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(Policy Development, Assurance)
- Annual Report
- Presentations at local, state and national conferences, meetings
- ASTDD Best Practices Project
- Website
10. To develop, coordinate and implement limited school-based or school linked dental sealant programs.

(Assurance)
School-Based Dental Sealant Program
Partners

- Saint Mary’s Foundation
- Nevada Dental Hygienists’ Association
- Community College of Southern Nevada Dental Hygiene Program
- University of Nevada Las Vegas School of Dental Medicine
- County School Districts

2003/2004 Outcomes

- 5,045 sealants placed in school based dental sealant programs
- 1,531 students had sealants placed through a school based dental sealant program
- 19.5% of all second grade students enrolled in eligible schools have access to a school based sealant program
Maternal and Child Health Block Grant Funded

Early Childhood Caries Prevention

P.A.N.D.A.
(Prevent Abuse and Neglect Through Dental Awareness)
Vision

The vision of Nevada’s Oral Health Program is that All Nevadans Achieve Optimal Oral Health.