

Update on Federal Activities

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The United States Public Health Service

- Leadership and excellence in public health practice
- The advancement of public health science
- Rapid and effective response to public health needs



Seven Uniformed Services of the United States

DOD

Armed

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Non-DOD

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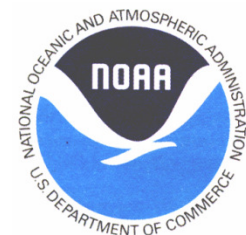
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Can Be Militarized

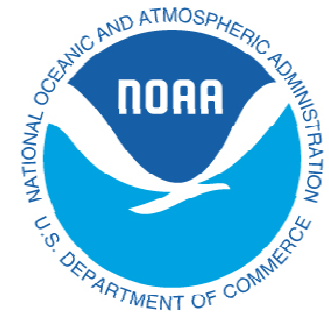
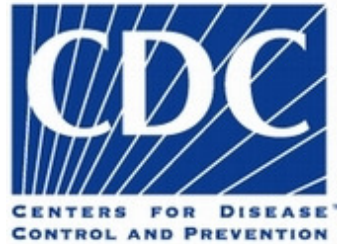


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Federal Agencies Utilizing Commissioned Corps Officers

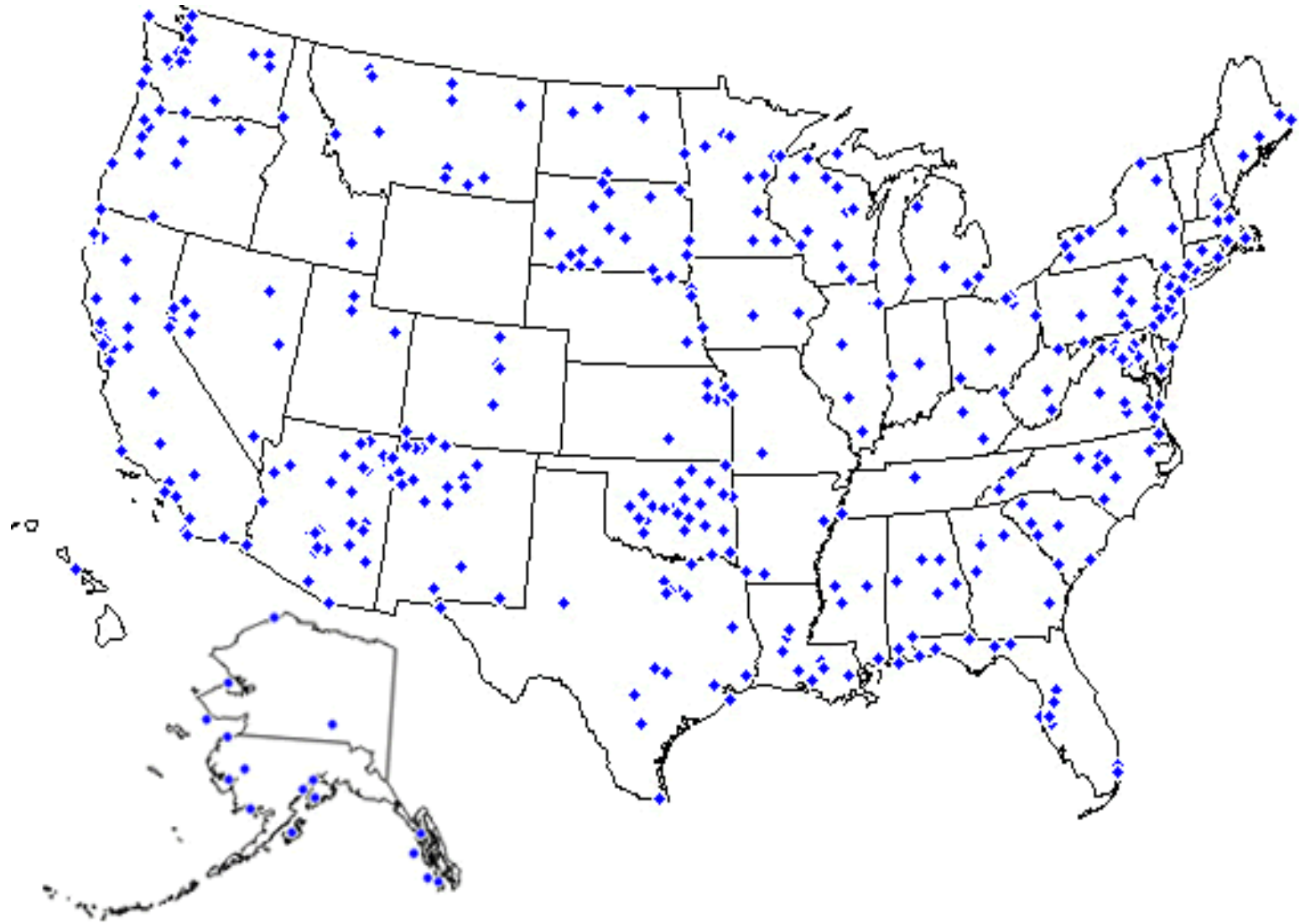


(Not all agencies and programs are represented)

Categories of Commissioned Corps Officers

- Over 6,400 officers in 800 locations, worldwide
- 11 Professional Categories
 - Medical
 - Dental
 - Nursing
 - Pharmacy
 - Scientist
 - Health Services
 - Engineer
 - Therapist
 - Veterinarian
 - Dietitian
 - Environmental Health

US Duty Stations



Selected HHS-Wide Activities

- ❑ *PHS Oral Health Coordinating Committee*
- ❑ *HHS Oral Health Initiative*
- ❑ *IOM Roundtable on Health Literacy*
 - *Workshop on Oral Health Literacy*
- ❑ *Healthy People 2020*
 - *Leading Health Indicator*
- ❑ *U.S. National Oral Health Alliance*
 - *Two colloquia held to date*
 - *Medical – Dental Collaboration*
 - *Prevention and Infrastructure*



Oral Health Coordinating Committee

- *Administration on Aging*
- *Administration for Families/Office of Head Start*
- *Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality*
- *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*
- *Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services*
- *Food and Drug Administration*
- *Health Resources and Services Administration*
- *Indian Health Service*
- *National Institutes of Health*
- *National Center for Health Statistics*
- *Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health*
- *Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation*
- *Office of Public Health and Science*
- *Office of Minority Health*
- *Office of the Surgeon General*
- *Office on Women's Health*
- *US Coast Guard*
- *Federal Bureau of Prisons*

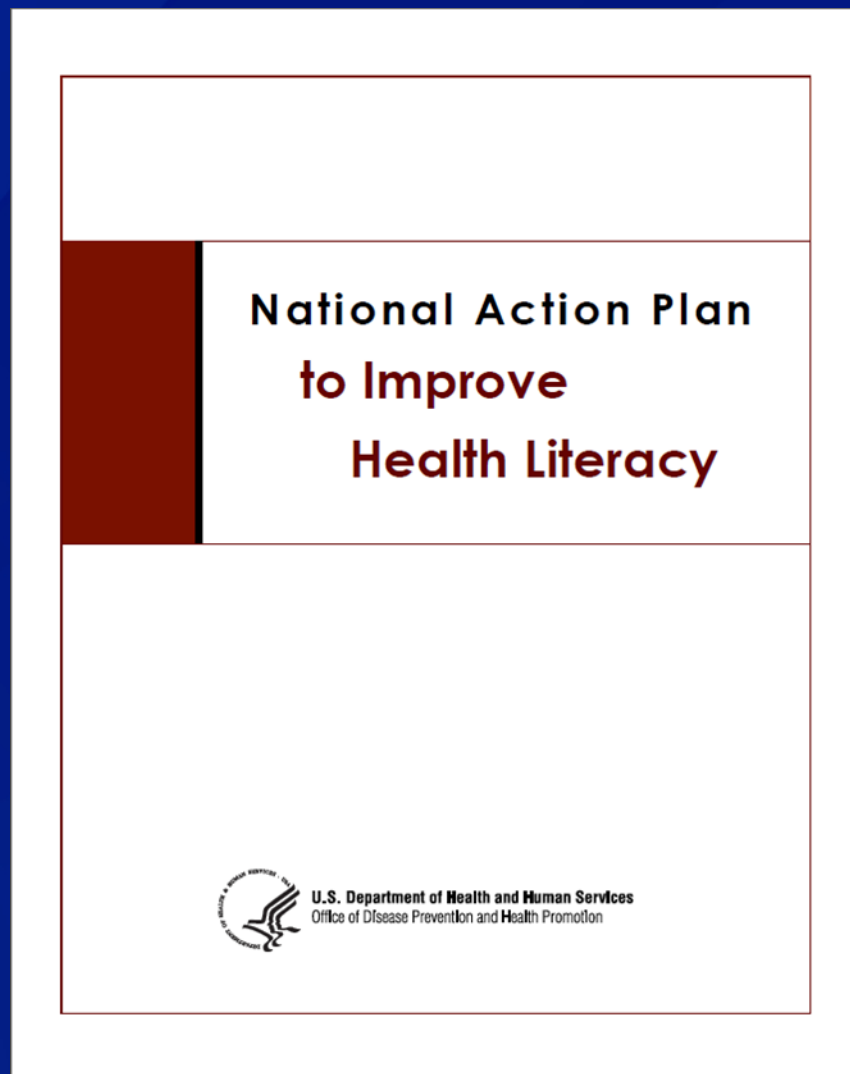
OHCC External Stakeholder Meeting

- First ever OHCC meeting of this scope
- 30 organizations, including AACDP
- Sought potential public / private collaboration in six areas
 - **Prevention**
 - **Access and Workforce**
 - **Health Literacy**
 - **Research and Data**
 - **Financing Models**
 - **Health Disparities**
- Exploratory in nature
- Meeting summary being developed for sharing with partners



IOM Workshop on Oral Health Literacy

- Hosted by IOM Roundtable on Health Literacy
- Full -day meeting focusing on oral health literacy
- Speakers representing national, state, local organizations
- HHS response highlighted:
 - **National Action Plan to Improve Health Literacy**
 - **Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act**
 - **Affordable Care Act**
 - **Plain Writing Act**
 - **Health literacy research efforts**
 - **HHS resources**



Oral Health Literacy Foundational Documents



Selected HHS Activities and Resources

❑ Health Literacy Plans

- *CDC Action Plan to Improve Health Literacy*
- *AHRQ Health Literacy Action Plan*

❑ Training and Education

- *Clear Communication: NIH Health Literacy Initiative*
 - <http://www.nih.gov/clearcommunication/healthliteracy.htm>
- *CDC Health Literacy Portal*
 - <http://www.cdc.gov/healthliteracy>
- *HRSA Training for Health Care Professionals*
 - <http://www.hrsa.gov/publichealth/healthliteracy/index.html>

❑ Resources

- *IHS Health Literacy Tools and Resources*
 - http://www.ihs.gov/healthcommunications/index.cfm?module=dsp_hc_health_literacy
- *CMS Health Literacy Toolkit*
 - <http://www.cms.gov/WrittenMaterialsToolkit/>

HHS ORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE

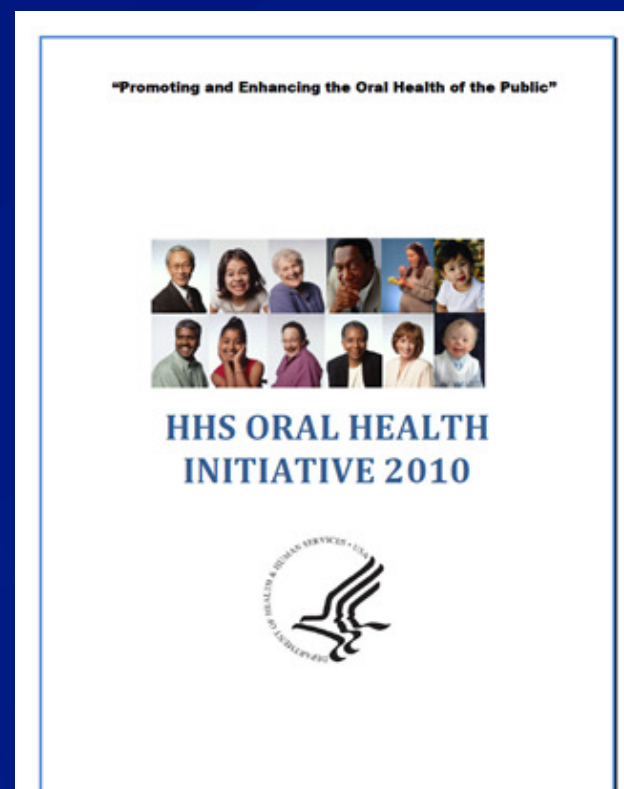


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HHS Oral Health Initiative

- *Head Start Dental Home Initiative: ACF*
- *National Oral Health Surveillance Plan: CDC and NIDCR*
- *Review of Innovative State Medicaid Dental Programs: CMS*
- *National Study on an Oral Health Initiative (IOM) : HRSA*
- *National Study on Oral Health Access to Services (IOM): HRSA*
- *The Early Childhood Caries Initiative: IHS*
- *Clinical and Translational Science Program: NIH*
- *A Cultural Competency E-Learning Continuing Education Program for Oral Health Professionals: OMH*
- *Oral Health as Part of Women's Health Across the Life Span: OWH*



<http://www.hrsa.gov/publichealth/clinical/oralhealth/hhsinitiative.pdf>

Head Start Dental Home Initiative - ACF

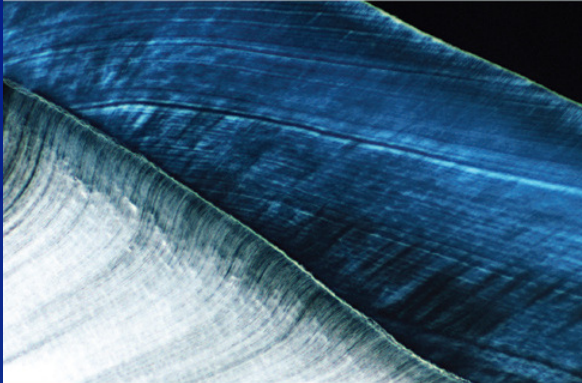
- *Active in 46 states and the District of Columbia*
- *Over 1000 dentists have agreed to serve as dental homes for Head Start children*
- *The Dental Health Initiative has transitioned to the National Health Center*
 - *Head Start National Center on Health has been awarded to the American Academy of Pediatrics*
 - *The partners that will be working with AAP specifically on oral health are Georgetown University and ASTDD*

CMS Oral Health Strategy

- ❑ *Review of successful practices and program innovations*
- ❑ *Oral Health Strategy announced in April 2011*
- ❑ *Two prevention-oriented performance objectives:*
 - ❑ *Work with States to Develop Pediatric Oral Health Action Plan*
 - ❑ *Strengthen Technical Assistance to States and Facilitate State/Tribal Peer-to-Peer Learning*
- ❑ *Outreach to Providers*
- ❑ *Outreach to Beneficiaries*
- ❑ *Partner with other agencies in DHHS*

IOM Reports on Oral Health- HRSA

Advancing
Oral Health
in America



INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE
OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES

IOM Report on HHS' Role

Released April 8, 2011.

Improving Access to
Oral Health Care for
Vulnerable and
Underserved Populations



INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE AND
NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL
OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES

IOM Report on Oral Health Access

Released July 13, 2011

Early Childhood Caries Collaborative – IHS

- *Objectives:*
 - *Increase access to care by 50% in 5 years*
 - *Increase # of children receiving fluoride by 25% in 5 years*
 - *Increase # of sealants by 25% in 5 years*
 - *Increase # of Interim Therapeutic Restorations by 50% in 5 years*
- *Baseline data collected and finalized for the basic screening survey -- 71 sites and 8,261 children*

Clinical and Translational Science Award Program – NIH

- *CTSA Dental Toolkit developed for data entry for dental caries and periodontal disease*
- *Standardized data collection and analysis*
- *Data comparable across studies or pooled*

The screenshot displays the CTSA Dental Toolkit software interface. At the top left, there is a circular logo with two arrows. Below it, a sidebar contains user and study information: Name: gohealth, Username: gohealth, Study: GTU, Site: Chapel Hill, Subject ID: SCR123456789, Event: SCREENING, and Occurrence: 1. The main area is titled 'Comprehensive Oral Examination PD CEJ BOP' and includes a 'Data entry initial' section with 'SP' and 'CEJ & PD' options. Below this, a list of measurements (A=10mm, B=11mm, C=12mm, D=13mm, E=14mm) and a 'Bleeding on Probing' section (0=No, 1=Yes) are visible. The central part of the interface features a 3D model of a human mouth with a green highlight on the upper left tooth. To the right of the model, text indicates 'CEJ Facial/Buccal Quadrant: 1', 'Tooth#: 1', and 'Site: 3'. Further right is a grid of 28 tooth icons arranged in two rows of 14, with a '3' in the top-left cell. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'ToothStatus', 'Save and Close', and 'Treatment'. The word 'Done' is visible at the very bottom of the window.

A Cultural Competency E-Learning Program for Oral Health Professionals - OMH

- *Produce a comprehensive cultural competency e-learning program for oral health professionals*
- *Improve quality of care for all their patients*
- *Curriculum undergoing review and pilot testing*
- *Oral Health E-Learning Initiative*
- *Will be posted on the Think Cultural Health Website*
- *2012 Launch*

CURRENT HHS OPPORTUNITIES

- ❑ *Affordable Care Act*
- ❑ *HHS Strategic Plan*
- ❑ *National Prevention Strategy*
- ❑ *National Partnership for Action*
- ❑ *National Action Plan to Improve Health Literacy*
- ❑ *Action Plan to Reduce Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*
- ❑ *HHS Oral Health Initiative*
 - *CMS Oral Health Strategy*
 - *IHS Early Childhood Caries Collaborative*
 - *IOM Reports*
 - *Other*



CDC Efforts

CDC Activities

- ❑ *Community Water Fluoridation*
 - *HHS Recommendation for Optimal Level*
 - *2010 fluoridation report*
 - *Online training*
- ❑ *Surveillance*
 - *Dental caries*
 - *Periodontal disease*
 - *Oral Cancer*
 - *NOHSS*
 - *New approaches*
- ❑ *Infrastructure grants/20 states*
- ❑ *Infection Control*



WHAT IS THE PATH FORWARD?

- ❑ *Strategic awareness*
- ❑ *Strengthening and expanding partnerships*
- ❑ *Advancing policy*
- ❑ *Keeping oral health in the media*
- ❑ *Promoting health literacy*
- ❑ *Focusing on prevention*
- ❑ *Improving a bit at a time...pursuing excellence*



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