



Tribal/Urban Indian Local Dental Pilot Project

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Project Goals

- ▶ **Overall:** To increase oral health prevention, address caries risk assessment and disease management, and continuity of care among children.
- ▶ **Long term:** Decrease proportion of restorative treatment to preventive services.



Project Goals

- ▶ Increase # of children age 0–20 who:
 - Receive primary care referrals for dental exams/treatment.
 - Access dental services compared to previous year.
 - Receive oral health education via tandem well-child oral health visits.
 - Receive fluoride varnish applications.
 - Have a Caries Risk Assessment (CRA) on file.
- ▶ Increase knowledge and competency of motivational interviewing/case management skills.

Targets

- ▶ **Additional children** age 0–20 receiving dental care via a referral from primary care by January 1, 2021.
- ▶ These are NEW dental patients, which is defined as patients who have not been seen in the dental clinic for at least three years.

Site	Target	Site	Target
Chapa De	220	San Diego	38
Greenville	90	Shingle Springs	116
Karuk	94	Toiyabe	79
Lassen	51	Tuolumne Me Wuk	128
Pit River	43	Tule River	50
Round Valley	42	Tuolumne Co. WIC	200

OHCC Expectations

- ▶ The Oral Health Care Coordinator (OHCC) will be able to work in the medical clinic whenever there is a well-child visit (age 0–20) for a child with Medi-Cal.
 - This time can be limited to certain hours during the week to make it easier for scheduling other duties.
- ▶ The OHCC may work their regular job when they do not have a well-child patient.
- ▶ The time required for the oral health part of the well-child visit is 5–15 minutes and can be worked around the primary care clinician's presence.

OHCC Responsibilities

- ▶ The OHCC needs to have time to attend the monthly webinars, which are recorded for later viewing if she cannot attend at the time of occurrence.
- ▶ The OHCC is also responsible for ensuring that referred children get needed dental care, so they will need to spend some time following up with them.
- ▶ Attendance at Case Management Training.
- ▶ Submission of monthly data.

OHCC Head Start/WIC Responsibilities

- ▶ Emphasis is on increasing oral health access for Medi-Cal beneficiary children.
- ▶ Not required to do and oral health screening, the CRA, or fluoride varnish.
- ▶ However, the CRA might be a good jumping-off point to begin a discussion of the importance of dental care for each individual child.

Medical Clinic Responsibilities

- ▶ Create standing orders allowing fluoride varnish and CRAs to be performed as part of the well-child visits.
- ▶ Allow the OHCC 5–15 minutes to see the target children at well-child visits.
- ▶ Optional: Primary care providers complete the trainings in the resources section on children's oral health, CRAs, and fluoride varnish.
- ▶ Send quarterly invoice for reimbursement for OHCC salary.

Tracking—OHCC (Monthly)

- ▶ Number of hours present in primary care
- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children age 0–20 who was referred for dental services
- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children age 0–20 who received dental services as a result of your efforts
- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children age 0–20 to who was provided oral health education
- ▶ Number of fluoride varnish applications performed *in tandem with medical appointment* by the OHCC
- ▶ Number of Caries Risk Assessments (CRA) performed *in tandem with medical appointment*
- ▶ Number of completed dental treatment plans

Tracking—OHCC Head Start/WIC (monthly)

- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children age 0–6 who was referred for dental services
- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children age 0–6 who received dental services as a result of your referral
- ▶ Number of completed dental treatment plans
- ▶ Number of enrolled Head Start children

Tracking—Medical Records (Quarterly)

- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children with documented CRA (ages 1–6)
- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children with documented CRA (ages 0–20)
- ▶ % of dental/primary care integration—annually
 - Numerator: Number of Medi-Cal children (ages 0–20) who received an oral health service in primary care
 - Denominator: Number of unduplicated Medi-Cal children (ages 0–20) who received any care at the Tribal Health Program

Tracking—Dental Records (Annually)

- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children (0–20) who received dental services
- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children (0–20) who used the emergency room for dental related reasons
- ▶ Number of Medi-Cal children (0–20) who received dental treatment under general anesthesia

Tracking—Dental Records (Annually)

- ▶ Restorative to preventive treatment ratio—DTI Challenge incentives paid
 - Numerator: Number of Medi-Cal children (ages 0–20) enrolled in Medi-Cal for at least 90 continuous days who received **caries treatment**
 - Denominator: Number of Medi-Cal children (ages 0–20) enrolled in Medi-Cal for at least 90 continuous days who received a **preventive dental service** (D1000–D1999)

Documentation

- ▶ D0601 – CRA, low risk
- ▶ D0602 – CRA, moderate risk
- ▶ D0603 – CRA, high risk
- ▶ D0140 – Limited oral evaluation, problem focused
- ▶ D0145 – Oral evaluation for patient under 3 years of age and counseling with primary caregiver
- ▶ D1310 – Nutritional counseling for the control of dental disease
- ▶ D1330 – Oral hygiene instruction
- ▶ D9993 – Motivational Interviewing
- ▶ D1206 – Topical application of fluoride varnish
- ▶ If bringing a child back for an additional fluoride varnish application, may also bill for an office visit (99211) as well as the fluoride varnish (D1206)

Resources

- ▶ Smiles for Life: A National Oral Health Curriculum
 - A free online series of courses designed to ensure the integration of oral health and primary care.
 - Course #2 Child Oral Health
 - Course #6 Caries Risk Assessment, Fluoride Varnish, and Counseling
 - Course #7 The Oral Exam
 - Smilesforlifeoralhealth.org

Resources

- ▶ TYKE: Treating Young Kids Everyday
 - A free online program for educating and training dental and primary care teams in using Caries Risk Assessment and early intervention to reduce Early Childhood Caries.
 - <https://www.cda.org/member-resources/education/tyke-training>

Resources

▶ Indian Health Service

- <https://www.ihs.gov/DOH/index.cfm?fuseaction=ecc.varnish>
- <https://www.ihs.gov/doh/index.cfm?fuseaction=ecc.display>
- <https://www.ihs.gov/HeadStart/documents/OralHealthBestPractices.pdf>

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Questions?

