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What Is Michigan Oral Health Coalition?

**Mission:** improve oral health in Michigan by focusing on prevention, health promotion, oral health data, access and the link between oral health and overall health.
Local Oral Health Coalitions

Michigan Oral Health Coalition

- Eaton
- Genesee
- Grand Traverse
- Holland
- Kent
- Macomb
- Oakland
- Saginaw
- Wayne
Michigan Policy Priorities
Better Oral Health by 2020

• Increase access for Michigan residents by improving payments for Michigan providers.
• Improve integration between medical and dental care providers.
• Increase fluoridation across the state.
• Improve oral health literacy and understanding.
• Increasing access to oral health care for at risk communities.
A New Member Resource

Key Senate Committees
Key House Committees
Approaches to Connect w/ Legislators
Budget Timeline
Social Media in Your Advocacy Efforts
Legislator Feedback Form

GRASSROOTS ADVOCACY Toolkit

2017 - 2018 Legislative Session
What are the Assets & Challenges We Face?

- How can we change the picture in our communities?
- Who are the ones working to make positive impact?
- What keeps people from obtaining optimal oral health?
- Do the people we serve have access to care?
- Do people understand the importance of oral health care?
  - For young adults
  - For adults
  - For children
  - For the aging
Regional Oral Health Summits

Northern Region Oral Health Summit
Local Host Coalitions: Grand Traverse Region Oral Health Coalition and Saginaw Oral Health Coalition
Date: October 27, 2017
Location: Grayling
Registration begins at 9:00

Western Region Oral Health Summit
Local Host Coalitions: Kent County Oral Health Coalition, Lakeshore Oral Health Coalition and Eaton County Oral Health Coalition
Date: November 17, 2017
Location: Grand Rapids
Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

Southeastern Michigan Oral Health Summit
Local Host Coalitions: Macomb County Oral Health Coalition, Coalition for Adults with Disabilities and Wayne County Oral Health Coalition
Date: December 1, 2017
Location: Detroit
Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.
About the Reinventing Oral Health: A Midwest Collaborative
Initiative Activities

- Learning Collaborative
- Webinar Series:
  - TUESDAY November 14, 2017 Advocacy: Making Your Voice Heard! 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.
  - TUESDAY January 16, 2017 Health Equity: Advancing Oral Health for All 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.
  - TUESDAY March 13, 2017 Evaluation: What Do We Know and Where Do We Need to Go?
University of Kansas

- Leadership Course
  - Two Day Learning and Relationship Building
- WorkStation and Check Box
Community Tool Box Free Resources

Website:  http://ctb.ku.edu/en

Mission Statement: The mission of the KU Center for Community Health and Development is: supporting community health and development through collaborative research and evaluation, teaching and training, and technical support and capacity building.

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This page lists 46 Chapters through which you can obtain practical, step-by-step guidance in community-building skills. See also our related Toolkits, which offer short outlines for key tasks.

OVERVIEW

An overview of the Community Tool Box and frameworks for guiding, supporting and evaluating the work of community and system change.

CHAPTERS

Chapter 1. Our Model for Community Change and Improvement
Chapter 2. Other Models for Promoting Community Health and Development

RELATED TOOLKITS

1. Creating and Maintaining Partnerships

COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT

Information about how to assess community needs and resources, get issues on the public agenda, and choose relevant strategies.

CHAPTERS

Chapter 3. Assessing Community Needs and Resources

RELATED TOOLKITS

2. Assessing Community Needs and
• **Mission:**
  - The Grand Traverse Region Oral Health Coalition will operate to coordinate outreach, education, screening, prevention and treatment for all, with a special focus on low income and special populations.

• **Vision:**
  - We envision a population that will understand the importance of good oral health, know where to seek preventative care and treatment, and assume a level of personal responsibility for maintaining good oral health.

Area: Benzie, Grand Traverse and Leelanau Counties
exploring expansion for 2018
Membership

- Grand Traverse County Health Department
- Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department
- Health Department of Northwest Michigan
- Dental Clinics North
- My Community Health Dental Centers
- Traverse Health Clinic
- Northwest Michigan Health Services, INC
- Leelanau County Senior Services
- Meals on Wheels of Northwest Michigan
- Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians
- University of Michigan School of Dentistry
- Munson Community Health
- Northwest Michigan College
- Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency
- Michigan Oral Health Coalition
- Rotary Charities of Traverse City
- Benzie Senior Resources
- Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan
Year

One:

- Collaborate with local partners and provide a venue for shared learning opportunities
- Increase knowledge, awareness and importance of preventative dental care
- Let local needs guide our work
  - Support LHDs with the implementation a WIC fluoride varnish program in all 3 counties
  - Introduce technology to ease sharing and referrals - MiDR
  - One Tooth/One Year Appointment Availability
  - Perinatal Appointment Availability
Perinatal Efforts:

- Grassroots effort to disseminate "During Pregnancy, the Mouth Matters: A Guide to Michigan’s Perinatal Oral Health"
  - Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
  - Targeted Education to: dental providers, local health departments, physicians, professional organizations and the greater community

- Develop and Strengthen Community Partnerships
  - Understand their challenges and service gaps
  - Provide assistance where needed

- Establish and Implement Policies – Perinatal Fast-Track
  - Strengthen existing referral network

- Observe, collect data and optimize supports and referrals
Policies Established & Adopted: Perinatal Fast-Track

- 8 Clinic Locations
- Pregnant patients will be given priority in scheduling and be seen within 30 days of call
- Initial appointments will include an exam and development of a treatment plan

- 3 Clinic Locations
- Pregnant patient must be seen the same week they call or their doctor calls
- Initial appointments will include an exam and development of a treatment plan
- This protocol guarantees pregnant women will have access to a dentist/dental provider within 1 week of calling. The provider will determine what needs to be done, how urgent it is (mother and baby’s health) in accordance with perinatal dental care standards
Next Steps:

• Collect Perinatal Fast-Track Data
  o Continue to work with participating sites to collect data
  o Share with participating sites, GTROH coalition and the community

• Educate Community Partners and public of Fast-Track availability

• Advocate and Educate additional clinics/private practices to make the commitment to ensure all pregnant women have access
Questions, Comments, Collaboration, Ideas: Connect with us!

We are new and would love your ideas, suggestions, and insights to strengthen our programs and partners.

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