Milwaukee Oral Health Coalition

Milwaukee
Who are we?

The Milwaukee Oral Health Coalition (MOHC) is comprised of more than 20 members, addressing oral health access issues and working to improve oral health for Milwaukee County residents. Members consist of representatives from the dental, medical and hospital community along with those from community clinics and dental education.
How we came to be

- Milwaukee Health Care Partnership and Children’s Health Alliance of Wisconsin
- Lack of access and capacity in Milwaukee County for oral health and dental services for Medicaid enrollees and uninsured people.
- A need to bring partners together in Milwaukee to address the unique needs of this population.
A unique partnership
Coalition members

Advocate Aurora Health
Bread of Healing Clinic
Children’s Health Alliance of Wisconsin
Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin
Columbia St. Mary’s
Greater Milwaukee Dental Association
Marquette University School of Dentistry
Milwaukee Health Care Partnership
Milwaukee Health Services, Inc.
Progressive Community Health Centers
Sixteenth Street Community Clinic
St. Ann Center for Intergenerational Care
Wisconsin Department of Health Services
Wisconsin Hospital Association
What do we do?

• Improve access to preventive, routine and urgent dental health services for low-income, uninsured and Medicaid patients in Milwaukee County
• Secure adequate and affordable oral health coverage for vulnerable populations
• Increase access to oral health care for low income uninsured and Medicaid enrollees
• Promote oral health awareness, prevention and education
How do we achieve our intended outcomes?  
A comprehensive work plan

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<td>Improve Medicaid MCO dental access and network adequacy</td>
<td>Convene HMO representatives on a quarterly basis</td>
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<td>Support provider capacity building</td>
<td>Educate non dental providers on integrating oral health services into their practice</td>
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<td>Support access for special needs population</td>
<td>Design a distributive access model for care provided to patients with special health care needs in health system operatories</td>
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Accomplishments

• Milwaukee HMO Oral Health Meetings

• Oral Health Access Process and Resources Guide

• Expand and promote Seal-A-Smile in Milwaukee County

• Continuously improve transition care coordination through MHCP’s EDCC – ED to Dental Home program
Challenges

• Policy and advocacy
Questions and thank you

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