Selected Web Resources on

Children's Oral Health



Many of America's poor and working poor children continue to suffer extensive dental disease that is consequential to their lives. These children experience the most disease, the most extensive disease, the most bouts of pain and infection and the least dental care – despite publicly financed programs that promise them needed services. The following references will introduce you to the extent of the problem and a range of solutions. We invite your interest.

National Center for Education in Maternal and Child Health

Crisis in Care: The Facts Behind Children's Lack of Access to Medicaid Dental Care www.ncemch.org/oralhealth/PDFs/OH%20Policy%20Brief%20%231.pdf

The Cost of Caring: Emergency Oral Health Services www.ncemch.org/pubs/PDFs/OH%20Policy%20Brief%20%232.pdf

Building Partnerships to Improve Children's Access to Medicaid Oral Health Services National Conference Proceedings www.ncemch.org/oralhealth/PDFs/OH%20proceedings.pdf

Pediatric Dental Disease: A Critical Marker for Children's Overall Health www.ncemch.org/oralhealth/PDFs/criticalmarker.pdf

Center for Policy Alternatives

Oral Health for All: Policy for Available, Accessible, and Acceptable Care www.stateaction.org/issues/healthcare/dental/warrenexsum.pdf

State of the States: Overview of 1999 State Legislation on Access to Oral Health www.stateaction.org/issues/healthcare/dental/overview.cfm

Sample State Oral Health Access Reports

Report of Task Force on Dental Care Access North Carolina Institute of Medicine www.nciom.org/dentalrpt.pdf

Senate Joint Memorial 21 Final Report: Health Policy Commission, State of New Mexico www.hpc.state.nm.us/reports.html

601 13th Street NW, Suite 400N Washington DC 20005 Dental Services Access Report: Minnesota Department of Human Services www.dhs.state.mn.us/hlthcare/reportsmanuals/dental.htm

Office of Inspector General Medicaid Dental Report

Children's Dental Services Under Medicaid: Access and Utilization Office of Inspector General, DHHS www.dhhs.gov/progorg/oei/reports/a10.pdf

DHHS Office of Minority Health

Closing the Gap: Making Oral Health a Priority www.omhrc.gov/ctg/ctgOH.pdf

HUD Report on Homeless

The Forgotten Americans – Homelessness: Programs and the People They Serve (see Chapter 12 of the Technical Report) www.hud.gov/pressrel/pr99-258.html

NIH Report on the Connection Between Oral and General Health

The Oral-Systemic Health Connection www.nidcr.nih.gov/spectrum/nidcr2/2menu.htm

IOM Report on Children's Health – Dental Extract

America's Children: Health Insurance and Access to Care http://books.nap.edu/books/0309065607/html/index.html and search on "dental", or http://search.nap.edu/nap0cgi/morehits.cgi?display=text@isbn=0309065607&term=dental&file=44-64.htm

Surgeon General's Conference on Children and Oral Health (June 00)

www.nidcr.nih.gov/sgr/sgr/htm

Healthy People 2000 Review 1998-99

Priority Area 13: Oral Health
National Center for Health Statistics, CDC
www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/hp2k99.pdf

Healthy People 2010

Priority Area 21: Oral Health www.health.gov/healthypeople

Reforming States Group and Milbank Memorial Fund

Pediatric Dental Care in CHIP and Medicaid: Paying for What Kids Need, Getting Value for State Payments
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www.milbank.org/990716mrpd.html

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