

Health Equity and School Dental Sealant Programs



**Health Equity and Childhood Oral Health:
Improving Access to Care with Medicaid and CHIP**

Webinar:
February 9, 2023
2:30 – 3:30 p.m. ET

In this video...

1. Watch a presentation from Dr. Natalia Chalmers, CMS Chief Dental Officer which will cover:

- Strategic pillars to improving oral health outcomes
- Prevalence and outcomes of oral health disparities
- Challenges and opportunities with access to dental care
- Focus on prevention
- Parent – child dental visit connection
- Importance of oral health in whole body health outcomes
- Pandemic impact on dental services

2. Brainstorm ideas to broaden our health equity efforts into our programs



Note that many children may have lost their Medicaid dental coverage this year due to the end of the public health emergency.



Health, Equity and Well-Being of All People

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There are so many opportunities to impact oral health in Oregon through school-based dental programs! Many of your programs are already incorporating some of these ideas, and we applaud you for leading the way with oral health equity.

- Connections with community/families
- Family days
- Back to school night or other school events
- Health literacy of families
- Plain language forms
- Collaborate with your schools
- Build relationships with local physicians
- Outreach – videos, social media, school newsletters, etc.





THANK YOU!

Link to the full webinar: <https://tinyurl.com/5n6eh8ja>

