National Center on Early Childhood Health and Wellness
General Reminders

• This webinar will be recorded and archived on the ASTDD website

• Questions will be addressed after the speakers are finished. Please type your question into the “chatbox” that will appear at the end of the webinar, and click on the bubble to the right of where you type your question to send it to the moderator.
NCECHW—Our Team

• American Academy of Pediatrics
• University of California, Los Angeles Health Care Institute
• Georgetown University’s National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center
• Georgetown University’s Center for Child and Human Development
• Education Development Center
• Child Care Aware of America
• Nemours
• University of Colorado, Denver, National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education
• Zero to Three
NCECHW Vision

Provide resources, professional development, and guidance to promote health, safety, and wellness of children from birth to age 5 for families, early childhood education professionals, and health providers.
ACF Health and Wellness Goals

• Improve the health and safety of ECE settings
• Promote positive child health outcomes for children participating in ECE programs
• Increase preventive services related to health outcomes.
• Promote access to continuous, accessible health services for children and families
• Promote mental wellness and resiliency for staff, children, pregnant women, and families
• Strengthen networks and coordination of ECE programs and child health professionals
Approaches

• Provide research-informed and/or evidence-based resources to the ECE community and families

• Provide a continuum of T/TA strategies for professional development

• Promote systems of coordination and collaboration in concert with other national centers, regional and state T/TA specialists, and other national initiatives to develop and integrate content
Dissemination Methods

- Print and online resources
- Workshops
- Webinars
- Health institutes
- Learning collaborates
Desired Outcomes

• Increased awareness of
  • Regulations and requirements to support health and safety of children in care settings
  • Resources to support health, wellness, and safety in early childhood

• Increased knowledge of
  • Prevention strategies
  • Family- and community-engagement strategies
  • Health and wellness practices
Desired Outcomes (continued)

- Increased use of specific practices to support
- Family and community engagement in supporting children’s health
- Children’s health and safety in early childhood education settings
- ECE staff and family wellness
- Changes in state systems and policies to support
  - Caring for Our Children (CFOC) Basics
  - Health and safety recommended best practices
Primary Audiences

- Early childhood education staff
  - Head Start/Early Head Start direct service staff and managers
  - Child care providers
  - Home visitors
  - Family child care providers
- OHS Regional T/TA providers
  - EC specialists
  - Health specialists
  - Systems specialists
  - Grantee specialists
- Child care health consultants
- CCR&R staff
- Child care T/TA provider
Primary Audiences (continued)

- State regulatory and licensing agencies
- Federal staff
  - OHS
  - OCC
  - MCHB
- Pediatric medical providers
  - Pediatricians
  - Family physicians
  - Nurse practitioners
  - Dentists
  - Dental hygienists
  - Mental health professionals
Health Specialists

Role
• Serve as a resource to other T/TA specialists on comprehensive health services, environmental health and safety, and engaging families in health issues.
• Serve as point of dissemination for health data and resources.
• Aggregate/analyze state and regional health data to identify emerging trends and patterns.
• Provide training on health topics.

Experience
• Minimum of BA in public health, mental health, health education, maternal and child health, or health administration.
• Minimum 5 years in health services in HS/EHS programs.
Region XI — American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) Head Start Programs
Region XII — Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Programs (MSHS)
National Center for Early Childhood Health and Wellness Oral Health Team

National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center

Association for State and Territorial Dental Directors

Dental Hygienist Liaisons
National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center: Who Are We

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National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center: What Do We Do

- Develop and disseminate materials
  - Brush Up on Oral Health newsletter
  - Head Start Health Services newsletter
  - Handouts for staff, pregnant women, and parents

- Develop, coordinate, and conduct educational presentations and trainings

- Provide information and technical assistance

- Review oral health content produced by NCECHW partners and other national centers
Brush Up on Oral Health Newsletter

- Monthly newsletter for Head Start and child care staff
- Provides information on current practice, practical tips for staff to share with parents for promoting oral health, and recipes for healthy snacks
- Subscribe at https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/ECLKC/customerservice/CMAAlerts
**Brush Up on Oral Health Newsletter**

- Current and past issues available on ECLKC
- Topics addressed include
  - Smoking and oral health
  - Dental clinic care for children with disabilities
  - Healthy bedtime habits
  - Choosing healthy behaviors
  - Oral injuries
  - Toothbrushing
  - Medicaid and CHIP
Health Services Newsletter

Monthly newsletter for Head Start and child care staff

- Importance of helping children and pregnant women establish a dental home, February 2014
- The role of drinks with sugar in children’s oral health, February 2015
- Importance of family-style meals, March 2015
Tip Sheets

• Tip sheet for Head Start health managers and tip sheet for families

• Tips for promoting good oral health and things parents can do to help their child
Healthy Habits for Happy Smiles
Handout Series

- Handouts for parents
- Oral Health topics addressed:
  - Dental visits
  - Children with special needs
  - Fluoride
  - Healthy drinks
  - Oral Injuries
  - Pregnancy
  - Teething
  - Toothbrushing
- In English and Spanish
Search Tip
• Search online for “ECLKC oral health”

Featured Resources
• Brush Up on Oral Health newsletter
• Healthy Habits for Happy Smiles handouts

Three Secondary Pages
• Oral Health Assessment, Follow-up, and Treatment
• Oral Health Education Activities
• Oral Health Policies and Procedures
The Role of State Dental Hygienist Liaisons (DHLs) and Regional DHL Coordinators

Role of State DHLs

• Serve as communication links between NCECHW and Head Start agencies and state, territory, and tribal child care agencies on topics related to improving the oral health of pregnant women and children enrolled in Head Start and child care

• Collaborate with state organizations (e.g., oral health programs, Head Start state collaboration office, child care agencies)

• Promote evidence-informed information and materials to Head Start agencies and state, territory, and tribal child care agencies, and offer strategies for accessing oral health care for pregnant women and children enrolled in Head Start and for children enrolled in child care
Role of State DHLs

- **Present** at state Head Start–related and child-care-related meetings, as requested by NCECHW
- **Attend** state and/or local Head Start–related and child-care-related **meetings**
- **Share information** about NCECHW-produced resources and other OHS-approved resources with Head Start agencies and state, territory, and tribal child care agencies
- **Prepare** **quarterly reports** on Head Start and child care oral health activities occurring in the state
- **DHLs will receive** $750 in annual **stipends** based on completion of specific criteria
Role of Regional DHL Coordinators

- Perform DHL duties in their state
- Support DHLs in assigned regions
- Facilitate sharing of NCECHW-produced resources and other OHS-approved resources with DHLs in assigned regions
- Maintain an updated list of DHLs in assigned regions, and recruit new DHLs as needed in the region
- Collaborate with the regional Head Start health specialist on oral-health-related issues
Role of Regional DHL Coordinators

- **Present** at national and/or regional meetings, as requested by NCECHW
- Participate in **evaluation activities**, including reviewing Head Start performance information reports and basic screening surveys for states in assigned regions
- Review DHL quarterly reports on Head Start and child care oral health activities occurring in their states from DHLs, and **prepare regional reports summarizing activities**
## Regional DHLs or Point of Contact

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DHL Quarterly Report and Stipend Request

DHL Quarterly Report

- Now online and easier to complete!
- Link (will also be posted on DHL webpage) https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DHLQuarterlyReport
- A new blank form will open each time you go to the link, so please complete your report in one sitting
- Your report will be sent to your regional DHL coordinator or point of contact
- Due dates
  - January 7, 2016 (activities from October to December, 2015)
  - April 7, 2016 (activities from January to March, 2016)
  - July 7, 2016 (activities from April to June, 2016)
  - October 7, 2016 (activities from July to September, 2016)
1. Contact Information
   - Name:
   - State: -- select state --
   - Email Address:

2. Current Date

3. Regional DHL contact for reporting
   - Select the name of the person you report to:

4. Time period covered by this report
   - Quarter 1: October-December (due January 7)
   - Quarter 2: January-March (due April 7)
   - Quarter 3: April-June (due July 7)
   - Quarter 4: July-September (due October 7)
   - Please specify year:

Please specify year:
Once you have completed at least 1 activity in 2 of these categories, submit your stipend request.

5. Please select the categories for the activities you carried out.

- □ Assessment (reviewed child care, PIR and/or BSS data and/or facilitated/participated in screenings/exams)
- □ Access to care (provided referrals/follow up to dental homes)
- □ Prevention (promoted evidence based preventive practices such as applying fluoride varnish or brushing with fluoridated toothpaste)
- □ Education (shared NCECHW or other OHS approved materials and/or provided educational sessions)

Please share one or two key examples of activities in the category/categories checked above and list any outcomes. If direct services were provided for any of the four categories listed above, indicate the category, the target audience (e.g., pregnant women, children) and number of persons served.

6. Please indicate with whom you interacted on the activities listed above.

- □ Head Start Collaboration Office Director/Staff
- □ Head Start Association Director/Staff
- □ Head Start Program Director/Staff
- □ Head Start Program Health Manager
- □ Head Start Regional Health Specialist
- □ State or Local Child Care Agency Staff
- □ State Oral Health Program Director or Staff
- □ Dentists
- □ Dental Hygienists
- □ Other Health Professionals
- □ Other (If checked, please specify below)

Other (please specify)
7. Did you do any presentations at local, state, or national meetings not listed under Question #5, above.
   - Yes
   - No

8. If yes, to #7, specify the presentation title, meeting name, date, location, target audience and number of audience members in attendance.

9. Did you attend any meetings related to your DHL role (e.g., Head Start health services advisory committee meeting, child care meeting)?
   - Yes
   - No

10. If yes to question 9, specify the meeting name, date and location.

11. Optional: If you have a success story that you would like to share, please describe it briefly. (ASTDD may contact you for more detail.)

Thank you for your work and for completing this quarterly report.
DHL Stipend

• $750 annual stipend available

• Assist with DHL related activities, such as:
  • Local travel or supplies to serve programs
  • Educational resources for programs
  • Supplement travel expenses to a professional meeting (e.g., ADHA session, NOHC)

• Submit when at least one activity is completed under two different categories listed on the quarterly report
  • E-mail completed form to Bev Isman at bev.isman@comcast.net

• Stipend request form will be e-mailed to DHLs and is available on ASTDD’s DHL webpage at http://www.astdd.org/head-start-state-dental-hygienist-liaisons-information
I have completed at least two of the following 4 categories of activities (check which ones) documented in my quarterly reports and request the $750 stipend to use related to my role as a state DHL.

- [ ] Assessment
- [ ] Access to care
- [ ] Prevention
- [ ] Education

Date of request: __________
Signature: __________

Submit to ASTDD via Beverly Isman at bev.isman@comcast.net