## Mission Statement:
To promote the importance of good oral health practices that improve the oral health of school age children and adolescents through education, networking and collaborative partnerships at local, state, and national levels. The committee serves as a resource to SOHPs and others who work to ensure a strong oral health component in all school health initiatives.

## Vision:
Optimal oral health and general well-being of school age children, adolescents, and their families.

## Goal:
Promote a strong oral health component in all school and adolescent health initiatives.

### Inputs (Resources to carry out activities)
- SAOH Committee Members
- SAOH Consultant
- Sealant Coordinator
- ASTDD Members
- State Oral Health Programs (SOHP)
- Primary & secondary data providing baseline/current status of SAOH needs and services including:
  - Basic Screening Survey
  - CMS 416 (Medicaid)
  - Environmental Scan
  - input from Sealant CoP
  - Surveys and feedback from TA and webinar trainings
- ASTDD Policy Committee
- ASTDD Best Practices Committee
- National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center
- CDC/NIDCR Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Data Resource Center
- NASN and other organizations representing school nurses
- ASTDD Website/SAOH Webpage
- School Based Health Alliance (SBHA) and other national organizations with school oral health goals

### Activities (Work or services)

1) **Promotion and Improvement**
   a) Review and distribute information and resources related to school and adolescent oral health.
   b) Review and prepare policies (white papers) relevant to school and adolescent oral health.
   c) Identify relevant topics from the field of school and adolescent oral health and provide learning opportunities
   d) Work with and support the School Sealant CoP and the CDC funded states

2) **Partnership Building**
   a) Identify, develop, and strengthen partnerships to promote school and adolescent oral health.
   b) Serve on work groups/advisory groups with other organizations as needed.
   c) Partner with CDC Healthy Schools and grantee states who are also CDC School Sealant grantee states to find opportunities for collaboration

3) **Resources**
   a) Identify, review, and develop new school and adolescent oral health resources, as needed.
   b) Place new materials and resources online.
   c) Host topically relevant webinars for ASTDD members, SAOH committee members and CDC funded School Sealant grantee states (members of CoP) and make available to ASTDD members, SAOH committee members, and CDC funded states.

### Outputs (Accomplishments, products & service units)

1) **Promotion and Improvement**
   a) Materials and resources such as the school (WSCC) model shared with SOHPs and other partners.
   b) Policies (white papers) forwarded to ASTDD Policy Committee.
   c) Topical webinars offered to field
   d) New resources posted to SAOH webpage
   e) Postings/resource sharing on School Sealant CoP list serve

2) **Partnership Building**
   a) Partnerships developed/sustained
   b) Participate in partnership projects.
   c) Expanded School and Adolescent Oral Health Committee membership

3) **Resources**
   a) Resources identified and/or developed.
   b) SAOH webpage updated with new materials as appropriate.
   c) Continuous topical webinars hosted and archived on SAOH webpage

### Outcomes (Changes as a result of the activities)

#### Short-term outcomes:
(Achieving knowledge, skills &/or attitude changes)
- Change attitude of traditional partners, non-traditional partners and the public about the importance of SAOH.
- Increase knowledge of traditional partners, non-traditional partners and the public for improving oral health of school age children and adolescents.
- Increase knowledge and information sharing with CDC funded school sealant states.

#### Intermediate outcomes:
(Achieving behavioral changes)
- New and revised legislation and policies that improve the oral health of school aged children and adolescents.
- Improved oral health services for school age children and adolescents.
- Improved school sealant programs with increase number of school sealant program and increase utilization.
- Networking of states with CDC school sealant grants due to CoP.

#### Long-term outcomes:
(Achieving program goal & impact)
- Optimal oral health and general well-being of school age children and adolescents.
- Improved systems to support optimal oral health of school age children and adolescents.
- Stronger school sealant programs in states funded by CDC.