ASTDD School and Adolescent Oral Health (SAOH) Committee
Annual Report
Jan. 1, 2019 – Dec. 31, 2019

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1. List any new members or subcommittee members:
   Susan Acosta
   Kim Bartolomucci
   Nichole Bobo
   Katie Conklin
   Jill Moore
   Lauren Neufeld

2. Describe the purpose of your committee:

   The ASTDD School and Adolescent Oral Health (SAOH) Committee serves as a resource to state oral health programs and works to ensure a strong oral health component in all school and adolescent health initiatives. The mission of the SAOH Committee is 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 and national levels. School-based dental sealant programs are a focus area for SAOH activities. In addition, the SAOH Committee collaborates with other ASTDD Committees to establish polices and promote oral health for this target population at the Association level.
3. List your recent committee accomplishments:

- **Accomplishments for school-based dental sealant programs** - Sandy Tesch, ASTDD Sealant Consultant
  - Establishment of a Community of Practice for CDC-funded states which includes monthly learning events, training, or webinars
  - CDC offered TA through four SEALS training workshop for CDC-funded states
  - Facilitated sealant CoP learning event on *Introduction to a CoP* on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Donna Behrens conducted the webinar presentation
  - Facilitated sealant CoP learning event on *sealant calibration* on October 18<sup>th</sup> with CDC-funded states
  - Facilitated sealant CoP learning event on *sealant retention* on November 22<sup>nd</sup> with CDC-funded states
  - Served on ADA’s Dental Quality Alliance (DQA) ad hoc sealant workgroup representing ASTDD
  - Worked with CDC and the Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention (OSAP) to update Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) resource guides for school sealant programs
  - Added resources on dental sealants and infection prevention and control (IPC) procedures to ASTDD dental sealant resources webpage

- **Accomplishments for the SAOH Committee**
  - Hosted a three-part webinar series focused on *Improving Consent Returns* within school sealant/oral health programs. Topics were:
    - May 15, 2019 - Tools, Tips, and Strategies to Increase Consents in School Sealant Programs
    - July 17, 2019 - Successfully Working with Schools To Improve Oral Health Consent Returns
    - September 27, 2019 Successfully Partnering with Students to Improve School Oral Health
  - Held 2 SAOH committee calls/meetings
    - April 15, 2019 - In person meeting during NOHC
    - November 7, 2019 – conference call
  - Drafted and finalized SAOH 2019-20 workplan and logic model
  - Posted new and newly revised resources on SAOH webpage including the webinars
  - Created connection with NASN Project Director of the five-year CDC funded cooperative agreement, Collaboration to Support Students with Chronic Health Conditions
  - Created connection with Holly Hunt, Chief and Melissa Fahrenbruch, Program and Professional Development Team Lead for the School Health Branch in the Division of Population Health at CDC
Coordinated with CDC School Health staff to send a coordinated email outreach to 5 states identified as grantees of the CDC DP18-1810 Component 1 States funded states (State Actions to Improve Oral Health Outcomes) that are also funded for DP18-1801 (Improving Student Health and Academic Achievement through Nutrition, Physical Activity and the Management of Chronic Conditions in Schools). The emails were sent to the identified grant managers in the health departments and education agencies. The states were Arkansas, Colorado, Louisiana, Minnesota, and Missouri.

Met with members of the Department of Preventive & Restorative Dental Sciences at the University of California San Francisco. This department houses the state funded California Oral Health Technical Assistance Center. The purpose of this center is to provide technical assistance to California's local oral health programs in order to implement dental public health best practices including school based and school linked programs.

Solicited input and ideas on school oral health from SAOH committee to assist in contribution to pending new Surgeon General’s on oral health

Drafted and submitted document on school oral health to the committee coordinating contributions for upcoming Surgeon General’s report on oral health

Revamped the SAOH committee structure disbanding the team structure and replacing it with ad hoc committees and workgroups based on needs and work of the CDC school sealant grant and CoP

4. Describe your current committee activity:
   - Sealant Consultant Current Activities led by Sandy Tesch:
     - Provide TA and resources for CDC-funded SOHPs regarding school dental sealant programs
     - Post information and sealant inquiries to CDC dental sealant groups listserv
     - Offer 1:1 support and TA with CDC-funded dental sealant coordinators and state sealant oral health programs
     - Submitted NOHC proposal for joint roundtable presentation regarding “Lessons Learned” from sealant Community of Practice (CoP)
     - Planning CoP learning event for January with CDC to provide requested TA to CDC-funded states on data reporting requirements for cooperative agreement (CA)
     - Planning January 23rd CoP learning event for CDC-funded states with Kathy Eklund on IPC
   - SAOH Committee Current Activities
     - Continue collaboration with the CDC and NASN including follow up to joint email to 5 states
• Continue to promote school oral health documents and reports
• Convene workgroup from SAOH to plan 2-3 future topical and relevant webinars
• Plan upcoming SAOH committee call February 20, 2020
• Plan upcoming SAOH in person meeting as part of NOHC in April

5. Describe the future activities planned by your committee:

• CoP and school-based sealant activities led by Sandy Tesch:
  • Continue building sealant CoP for CDC-funded states and national partners
  • Monitor CDC dental sealant group listserv (URL- cdc-funded-dental-sealants@groups.astdd.org) and offers TA upon request
  • Offer 1:1 support and TA with CDC-funded state sealant oral health programs and sealant coordinators

• SAOH Committee activities:
  • Continue to support the CoP as needed
  • Continue to support the work of state dental directors in improving the oral health of children and adolescents through consultation as needed for state wide programs including WSCC or sealant programs
  • Continue collaboration with CDC on school health
  • Continue to support the addition of oral health into school health documents produced by other organizations and the OHRC
  • Convene webinar planning group to brainstorm, organize, and host future webinars

6. Describe any subcommittees your committee uses, their roles and activities:

• Webinar planning group to brainstorm, organize, and host future webinars

7. List any unmet needs of your committee (e.g., members, funding, etc.): None presently.