



Public Health Local Oral Health Program

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Advisory Committee - NOTES

July 21, 2026 – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Vision: We envision a county where all individuals have opportunities and resources to achieve and maintain optimal oral health.

Mission: To facilitate and coordinate county-wide efforts to improve oral health knowledge, access, and utilization, thereby improving oral health outcomes.

Meeting Agenda	• Education and Outreach Activities • School Oral Health Program • Pathway to Strategic Plan Implementation • Evaluation Pan Intro • Small Group Activity
IEHP Community Advocacy Committee (CAC)	Jannette Zito – IEHP Community Advocacy Committee Program Manager, (909) 291-8048, Email: Jannette.Zito@iehp.org IEHP is recruiting for the 2027 CAC, starting in June 2026. • Seeking diverse voices to fill demographic gaps in membership • Four 2-hr meetings (one each quarter) from 5-7pm • Dinner is provided at 4pm • Virtual option is available and additional support are available: transportation, mileage reimbursement, and childcare. • Incentives for attending a meeting: \$100 gift card If you or someone you know is interested or would like more information, please reach out to Jannette Zito, and/or share the recruitment flyer. → click HERE CAC membership is comprised of Medi-Cal Members, Providers, community partners, parents, caregivers and stakeholders who reside within the IEHP service area and represent diverse and hard-to-reach population with emphasis on communities that experience health disparities.

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IEHP CAC Cont.	The CAC serves as a liaison between IEHP and the community, offering member-informed guidance to improve care quality, identify member barriers and needs, and ensure member perspectives shape policy, quality initiatives, and health equity efforts. Help us find new members to represent these regions and see flyer for additional demographic priorities: • Blythe (Mohave Valley) • Palo Verde (Needles) • Low Desert • West San Bernardino • Unhoused
Health Education and Outreach Activities	January – June 2026 • 25 outreach events by Smile SBC • 18 outreach events by Partners (with Smile SBC support) Full Year – July 2025-June 2026 • 14,088 Dental Kits distributed (encounters) at events/classes • 68% of this effort was by our partners with Smile SBC support! National Children’s Dental Health Month – February 2026 • Oral Health Promotional Boxes (toothbrush kits, resources, books): Thank you to our supporting partners: Rainbow Pride Youth Alliance, Mom & Dad Project, Oak Tree Learning Center, Child Care Resource Center, Park Tree Community Health Center, Apple Valley Unified School District, Silver Valley Unified School District, WIC, and the public health programs. • Little Me, Big Responsibility campaign with First 5 San Bernardino: oral health, nutrition, and wellness checkups. • 3rd Grade Drawing Contest: Four 3rd grade winners from three participating San Bernardino County School Districts: Wyatt Combs and Samantha Villegas from Apple Valley USD, Aroleiya Carroll from Central Elementary, and Lilly Salguero from Ontario/Montclair SD. Thank you to all the kids who submitted creative artwork for “Healthy Smiles, Bright Futures”. Community Health Worker Oral Health Training Module • First 5 San Bernardino, Reach Out, and the public health’s Health Equity Program are developing training modules for community health workers. • Smile SBC is assisting with the development of the oral health module focusing on pregnancy and kids ages 0 to 5. Dental Clinic List • Updated lists; one for valley region and one for high desert, morongo basin, and mountain regions. • Available on the website for download and by clicking this link New Clinic Lists To view additional Smile SBC Resources, visit our documents webpage by clicking this link https://smilesbc.org/documents/

School Oral Health Program Updates	General Updates - Regional Workgroup meeting with Riverside County LOHP was held on 3/24/2026. - The new KOHA promo videos are available on the Resources for Schools page on the program's website. Click here KOHA Video. 2025-2026 KOHA Reporting in SCOHR Progress - As of July 21st, for school year 2025-2026, 61% of kindergarten students have an oral health assessment reported in the System for California Oral Health Reporting (SCOHR). This is a 1% increase over last year. - As of July 21st, for school year 2025-2026, 78% of school districts (25 out of 32) have reported kindergarten assessments for at least one school in their district. This is the same as last year. - Thank you to the 25 school districts that have reported thus far: Adelanto, Alta Loma, Apple Valley, Baker Valley, Central, Chino Valley, Colton, Cucamonga, Etiwanda, Fontana, Lucerne Valley, Morongo, Mountain View, Needles, Ontario-Montclair, Redlands, Rialto, Rim of the World, San Bernardino City, Silver Valley, Snowline, Trona, Upland, and Victor. Additional districts have indicated they intend to submit data in the coming months. - School Program Provider Survey – Thank you to all who completed this year's provider survey: Assistance League San Bernardino, Big Smiles, Dr. Yoshida (Bear Valley), Dr. Chang's Dental (Barstow), Geri Smiles, HAFDRA, Healthy Teeth for Kids, Morongo Healthcare District, Parktree Community, Silver Valley USD (Flying Doctors), The Friendly Flosser, and Yanira Casasola, RDHAP.
Pathway to Strategic Plan Implementation Evaluation Plan	Presentation by Dr. Amanzadeh, DDS, MPH (consultant) and Mayte Cruz, Senior Associate HTA Consulting San Bernardino County Oral Health Strategic Plan: Road to Implementation Overview – A shared roadmap for collective action to improve oral health equity, expand access to care, and build sustainable partnerships across San Bernardino County (2026-2030) Strategic Plan Goals at a Glance Access to Oral Health: expand school programs, strengthen referral systems, reduce barriers. Education and Promotion: tailored messaging, engagement of trusted messengers, leverage digital platforms. Pediatric Care Integration: embed oral health into well-child visits, expand fluoride varnish application, strengthen referral system. Prenatal Oral Health: provide training and resources to healthcare providers, develop messaging and materials, facilitate referrals. Coordination, Evaluation, Sustainability: foster collaborative partnerships, enhance data-driven decision making, ensure long-term sustainability.

	Evaluation Plan Overview A living document to help measure progress of the Oral Health Strategic planning goals over the next 5 years (2026-2030). • Promote accountability • Document the work accomplished • Assess the impact of the county's oral health efforts. Next Step: Finalizing Evaluation Plan and Indicators
Small Group Activity	This activity was created to help us identify where each of us can make the most meaningful contribution to the work ahead. Where do you see yourself fitting into the plan? How can we, by working together, make an even greater impact than we could individually? Summary of results: • Partners showed strong alignment with the Strategic Plan, especially in Access, Education & Promotion, and Pediatric Care Integration. • Oral Health Education & Promotion was the most commonly prioritized opportunity with partners identifying community outreach, culturally responsive education, health fairs, and trusted messengers as areas where they could make an immediate impact. • Strengthening partnerships and networking was a recurring theme. Partners emphasized the value of attending events together, sharing resources, increasing communication, and building stronger relationships across organizations. • Improving referral systems and care coordination was identified as a priority, including strengthening medical-dental referral pathways, incorporating oral health into intake processes, and improving connections between providers and community resources. • Partners identified numerous existing organizational strengths and resources that could support implementation, including mobile dental services, integrated medical-dental clinics, community health programs, home visitation, school-based initiatives, health education, and specialty referral expertise. • Pediatric integration is a high priority, with participants discussing opportunities to expand preventive services, fluoride varnish, school partnerships, and coordination between pediatric medical and dental providers. • Maternal health partners talked of prenatal strategies, including opportunities to strengthen provider education, improve referral pathways, connect prenatal providers with dental services, and co-develop educational materials. • Partners highlighted opportunities to reduce barriers to care, including expanding community education about dental benefits via information from Smile CA, increasing access to specialty care, improving services for individuals with developmental disabilities, and strengthening connections to available resources. • Data sharing, mapping of resources, and cross-sector collaboration were recognized as important long-term strategies to support

	coordinated planning, identify service gaps, and sustain implementation efforts. Thank you to everyone who contributed such valuable insights. Smile SBC will follow up with individual partners to further explore and advance implementation opportunities.
Upcoming	Advisory meetings: • October 27, 2026 – 9:00 to 11:00 (virtual) • February 2, 2027 – 9:00 to 11:00 (in-person) • April 27, 2027 – 9:00 to 11:00 (virtual) • Next School Program Workgroup TBD Stay tuned for invites, agendas and additional details.
Partner Updates & Announcements	Yanique Guy – Smile California Medi-Cal Dental updates: Changes to benefits for members based on their immigration status have been pushed to July 1, 2027. This applies to members that are over the age of 19 and are not pregnant. For more information, click the link here. If you have questions, please contact Yanique at yanique.guy@gainwelltechnologies.com Jessica Hernandez - Tri-State FQHC Jessica is available to participate at community events. Services are open to Dental, accept Medi-Cal, PPO, sliding scale for uninsured patients. For more information, please contact Jessica at jessica.hernandez1@tristateclinics.org Jennifer Nowotney – The Friendly Flosser Participating in Back-to-School events: • Resource Fair 7/24/26 9am - 12pm: Colombia Middle School (Adelanto) • Backpack Giveaway in Palm Desert area at Olive Crest 7/29/26, Salvation Army and Cathedral City on 7/30/26, • Apple Valley USD 7/31/26
Raffle	Raffle Winners! 1st winner–Rigo Fuentes – West Coast Dental = Tooth Fairy Pillow & \$20 Amazon Gift Card 2nd winner–Terri Pina – The Friendly Flosser = \$20 Amazon Gift Card 3rd winner–Sang Leng Trieu – California School Based Health Alliance = \$20 Amazon Gift Card No government funds are used to purchase raffle prizes.

Meeting Evaluation Survey	If you did not complete an evaluation survey directly after the meeting. Please take a moment to complete the survey by clicking this link: https://forms.office.com/g/gtPQkR6PQv or by scanning this QR code:  We value your feedback! Survey will close on 7/31/2026.
If you have questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact us at info@SmileSBC.org or https://SmileSBC.org THANK YOU to those who were able to attend the meeting!!!	