Oral Health Strategic Plan Integration of Dental & Medical Care

November 21, 2019 11:00 am – 12:00 pm



Meeting Highlights

In Attendance

Dr. Michelle Cheung, Susan Johnson, Tamarra Jones, Dr. Marc Lerner, Ivonne Magallanes, Claudia Magee, Sam Monroy, Dr. Jila Nikkhah, Ronilyn Ricaforte, Darline Torres, Anh Tram, Danielle Vicencio

Welcome and Introductions

Tamarra Jones welcomed all in attendance and introductions were conducted.

Meeting Highlights from October 15, 2019

The group reviewed meeting highlights from 10/15/2019 and there were no suggested corrections or changes.

Member Updates/Announcements

- Ivonne Magallanes shared that the fall dental forum was held 11/13/19. There were 46 attendees for the presentation. The Coalition of Orange County Community Clinics will continue to develop forum topics that appeal to the community in order to increase participation.
- Darline Torres from Healthy Smiles OC provided draft images of billboards, bus wraps, and bus shelters
 that will display the media campaign for Smile Connections. Billboards are scheduled for posting in the
 areas near the 5 and 55 freeways and the 405 freeway at Beach Boulevard.

CDPH's Office of Oral Health Project Director's Meeting

- Sam Monroy provided an update on the State's meeting for Local Oral Health Programs. The update included the following:
 - The meeting focused on the implementation, messaging, and successful strategies.
 - Messaging should be focused, simplified, use of relatable data, and incorporation of short stories that engage people.
 - Activities around the Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment (KOHA) should include the use of the System for California Oral Health Reporting (SCOHR), however the data may not be complete because not all schools submit their data to the system.
 - The plan for California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) was released on 10/29/2019 on the DHCS website. Individuals who would like to comment on the plan may do so by 12/16/2019.
 - The next round of grant programs to assist with school loans for dentist who work with Medi-Cal Dental populations and a grant program to open a dental practice in low-income communities will open up in the near future. More information will be shared when it is released.
 - Dr. Kumar addressed the recent study from the National Toxicology Program that linked high levels of fluoride to neuro toxicity. However, the study is currently being peer reviewed. Once reviewed the State will provide recommendations. At this time programs should continue to encourage the use of fluoride.

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CalOptima's Intergovernmental Transfer Awards

 Claudia Magee provided an update based on CalOptima Board Action on grants under Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) program. The grant awards focused on dental, school-based collaborative, mental health services, medication-assisted treatment, and nutrition services. At this time the contracts have not been signed and may still change some of the awards.

Oral Health 101 Presentation

- Tamarra Jones reviewed the Oral Health 101 presentation with the group. The following were suggested changes for the presentation:
 - The order of the slides should be changed in order to present a more streamlined presentation. For example the floss activity is currently in the middle of discussing teeth, decay, and dental conditions but it would be best at the end when discussing prevention and proper oral health.
 - Terms should be simplified where possible such as anatomy instead of morphology.
 - Dental terms should be grouped together by type and not alphabetically.
 - Information should be included that states that children may have both baby and permanent teeth at the same time. Not all children lose their baby teeth before permanent teeth erupt.
 - Information should be added about the effect of nursing and bottle feeding on the baby teeth.
 - A generic message about typical insurance coverage should be added so that people may understand what would be covered.
 - Data should be reflective of Orange County.
 - Outcomes of untreated tooth decay should include cosmetic issues, spacing, and bad breath.
 - Include alternatives to flossing for individuals that may not be able to floss.

Review of Strategic Plan and Action Plan

- The medical provider survey will be reviewed at the next meeting.
- Sam Monroy shared that recently various members had mentioned that the date and times of the meeting would be difficult for their schedules in 2020. Sam will send out a poll and discuss 2020 meetings at the December meeting.

Next Steps

- Review Medical Provider Survey
- Finalize 2020 meeting schedule
- Finalize Oral Health 101 presentation

Next Meeting

Tuesday, December 17, 2019, 9:00am to 10:30am