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Trinity County Oral Health Advisory Committee



Attendees and Affiliated Agency: Megan Kohler, TCOE; Alyssa King, We Care Group; Heather Aultman, We Care Group; Melissa Avila, TCOE; Yena Jang, Pomona College; Rand Khasawneh, DDS, UCSJ; Tricia Aberg, HRN; Katelyn Noble, TC-PHB; Robin Jimenez, TC-PHB; Arina Erwin, TC-PHB; Jenny Kattlove, Consultant for UCSF; Julie Martin, Smile, California; Laura Farneti, TC-PHB

Mission: Creating better oral health for the Trinity community of all ages, cultures, and resources by supporting fair access to oral health prevention, with a special emphasis on the needs of underserved populations.

Vision: We are driven by the vision of creating and advancing innovative solutions to ensure that no child suffers from tooth decay and all residents of Trinity County achieve optimal oral health in order to reach their full potential. TCOHAC will lead the way in our county toward policies and local health care systems inclusive of oral health, from payment to care delivery.



Topic	Discussion & Questions	Action Items
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Introductions: 10 Minutes</i> 2. <i>Member Report Out:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>M. Avila Dental Van-10 Minutes</i> b. <i>Q&A Dental Van-5 Minutes</i> 3. <i>Jenny Kattlove, MSSA-Extension Opportunities Highlight with UCSF-10 Minutes</i> 	<p><i>Introduction/Icebreaker</i></p> <p>Dental Van Update Melissa Avila updates the group on the status of the mobile dental van, mentioning that it is being built and is expected to be completed by January 2025. She also notes that partnerships are hopeful for the staffing aspect once the van is ready.</p> <p>Presentation on UCSF Extension Opportunities in Trinity County Jenny Kattlove, a consultant for UCSF School of Dentistry, outlined the collaboration with Trinity County to expand community-based clinical opportunities. The program, funded through the California Office of Oral Health state budget, aims to address staffing shortages and</p>	<p>Melissa Avila will promote National Children's Dental Health Month on the Trinity County Office of Education website.</p> <p>Laura Farneti will share banner design provided by Smile California for National Children's Dental Health Month.</p> <p>Laura Farneti will send out the oral health survey for review to project</p>

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<p>4. <i>Xylitol Pilot- 10 Minutes</i></p> <p>5. <i>National Children's Dental Health Month- 10 Minutes</i></p> <p>6. <i>Conclusion/Next Meeting- 5 Minutes</i></p>	<p>improve dental care access in the county. Kattlove also highlighted the partnership with Dr. Kizziar and plans to establish a dental care system in Trinity County in which interns have an opportunity to be part of a Trinity County dental clinic.</p> <p>Expansion Plans and Collaboration- attendees share their lack of fully staffed dental facilities in rural areas, emphasizing the scarcity of dentists and the lack of pediatric dental care. They express their eagerness to collaborate and extend their services to underserved rural communities, acknowledging the pressing need for dental care in these areas.</p> <p>Oral Health Program Updates and Planning Laura Farneti, the Oral Health Program Coordinator, outlined plans for a Xylitol pilot program and National Children's Dental Health Month, seeking support from the community for promoting these initiatives. Melissa Avila shared her website's health topic for National Children's Dental Month and discussed plans for Kindergarten Oral Health Assessments. The group also discussed promoting the CDAF- Cares Event beginning in National Children's Dental Health Month through banners designed by Smile, California and flyers to be created promoting the <i>Cares Event</i>.</p> <p>Next meeting in March 2024</p>	<p>director for feedback & approval before the next OHAC meeting.</p> <p>Jenny Kattlove will be in Trinity January 30, 2024 with colleagues to review expansion opportunities to dental clinics.</p>