DHMH Office of Oral Health (OOH) Partnership Evaluation

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Presentation Outline

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Background

“…to improve the oral health of Maryland residents through a variety of public oral health initiatives and interventions.”
Background: Deamonte Driver

For Want of a Dentist
By Mary Otto
Washington Post Staff Writer
Wednesday, February 28, 2007

Twelve-year-old Deamonte Driver died of a toothache Sunday.

A routine, $80 tooth extraction might have saved him.

If his mother had been insured.

If his family had not lost its Medicaid.

If Medicaid dentists weren't so hard to find.

Deamonte Driver, sitting next to his mother, Alyce, shows the scars from incisions for his brain surgery. (By Linda Davidson -- The Washington Post)
Partnerships

What are partnerships?
• Two or more persons or entities working together to produce something.

Why are they important?
• Partnerships help leverage funds, resources and human capital for a shared goal. Public and private partnerships serve as the foundation for developing State Oral Health Program (SOHP) infrastructure.

Why should we evaluate partnerships?
• Ensure that the partnership continues to be mutually beneficial.
• CDC Cooperative Agreement
Methods

• Develop list of active partners
• Survey (Surveymonkey) and one on one interviews
  - Match to partnership’s stage of development
• Pretesting
• Emails
  - Introduction
• Administer evaluation
  - Reminders
## Results: Mission

To what extent does OOH's mission statement reflect the values of your organization?

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Results: Focus on Oral Health

Q3 What percentage of your organization's objectives are focused on oral health activities?

Answered: 43  Skipped: 5

- <10%
- 10-25%
- 26-50%
- 51-75%
- 76-100%
Results: Target Populations

Q4 What is your target population(s)?
Check all that apply:

Answered: 37  Skipped: 11

- Older adults (greater than...)
- Adults (21 to 54 years of...)
- Pregnant women
- Medicaid Children
- Special Needs Children
- Medical Providers
- Dental Providers
Results: Barriers

Q6 Are there any barriers that prevent the partnership/collaboration with OOH from succeeding? Check all that apply:

Answered: 40  Skipped: 8

- Financial (e.g., support)
- Environmental (e.g.,)
- Social (e.g., ideological)
- There were no barriers
- Other (please specify)
# Results: Partnership Satisfaction

How satisfied is your organization with the partnership with OOH?

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Results: Interview Word Cloud
Recommendations

• Future partnerships
  Medical organizations

• Existing partnerships

• Future evaluation
  processes
Recommendations: Older Adults

- Adults 65-80

US Census Pyramid 2015
http://www.census.gov/population/international/data/idb/informationGateway.php
Recommendations: ER Diversions

Dental emergency department visits as a percent of total dental visits by age in the United States, 2000-10

Sources: ADA Health Policy Resources Center analysis of National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey, NCHS: Medical Expenditure Panel, AHRQ; and US Census Bureau data.
Reflections

Importance of partnerships in SOHP success

Leadership

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