



**National Network for Oral Health Access (NNOHA)  
Learning Collaborative**

# NNOHA Learning Collaborative

Learning collaborative focused on improving the UDS Sealant Measure

## Team

Dental Director, Dental Manager, Director of Clinical Services, Project Manager

## UDS Sealant Measure Overview

Percentage of Children Ages 6-9 Who Received Dental Sealant

## What is a sealant?

A thin, protective coating that reduces the risk of tooth decay in molars.

# Open Health Care Clinic



Became an FQHC in 2015

Dental clinic opened in October 2016

- 2 Locations
  - OHCC- Main
  - OHCC- One Stop (Capital Area Alliance for the Homeless)

Dental Staff:

- (2) Full-time Dentists
- (3) Expanded Duty Dental Assistants (EDDAs)
- (2) Registered Dental Hygienists
- (2) Front Desk Receptionists
- (1) Treatment Plan Coordinator
- (1) Dental Manager

# Goals for Learning Collaborative

Develop and implement strategies to improve our UDS measure

Identify best practices around extracting data and documenting exclusions

# Action Plan

## Scheduling Changes

- Additional 15 minutes for pediatric appointments
- EDDA assigned to hygiene

## Electronic Dental Record Changes

- Multi-code
- Exclusion Code
- Clinical Note Template Changes

## Clinical Note Template Change

Sealants recommended: YES / NO  
If yes, which teeth?

Caries risk: LOW/ MODERATE / HIGH

## Multi-Code (Hygiene)

Code type \*

☐ Procedure code ☒ Multi-code

Code \* ? Type \*

D004 Standard ▼

Description \*

HYG Pedo Recall

Office code \* ?

HYG Pedo Recall

Include in favorites ☐ On ☐

Activate multi-code ☐ Yes ☐

Procedures (8) \*

Add a procedure here

D1120 - Prophylaxis - Child
D1310 - Nutritional Counseling
D1330 - Oral Hygiene Instructions
D1208 - Topical Application of Fluoride
D0120 - Periodic Evaluation
D0601 - Caries - Low
D0602 - Caries - Moderate
D0603 - Caries - High

# Action Plan

## EDDA Privileging to Place Sealants

Utilizing EDDAs to the top of their certification

(2) Registered Dental Hygienist

(3) Expanded Duty Dental Assistants (EDDA)

## Department Buy-In

Pediatric Centered Events

- Back-to-School
- Oral Health Education Series in Schools

Monthly meetings

Daily huddles



# Learning Collaborative Outcomes

## **Clinical Quality Measure: UDS Sealant Measure Improvement**

2017 Baseline: 12%

## **Learning Collaborative began September 2018**

2018: 35% (27% increase by the end of 2018)

YTD 2019: 50%

## **Health Outcomes**

We will continue to serve our community by educating youth and parents on the benefits of sealants and overall oral health which will increase the chances of having overall physical health.

# Future Improvement

Same Day Sealants

Continued department buy-in

Increase Pediatric Patient Base

- Outreach
- Referrals (In-house)



RDH and DA conducting oral health session at local elementary





# OPEN HEALTH CARE CLINIC

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**Thank You!!**