

Healthy Mouths, Strong Minds

Boosting Student Achievement Through Oral Health Partnerships





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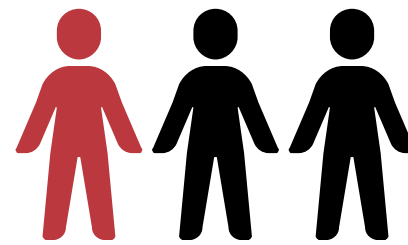


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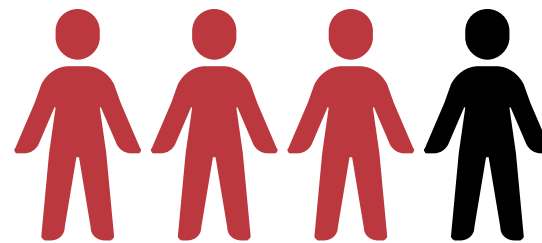


Tooth Decay is the #1 Chronic Childhood Disease

IN CALIFORNIA, **351,000** CHILDREN MISSED AT LEAST
**ONE OR MORE DAYS OF SCHOOL DUE TO DENTAL
PROBLEMS.** **87%** of these children missed more than
one day of school*



IN CALIFORNIA **1** OUT OF **3** KIDS HAVE
UNTREATED TOOTH DECAY BY THE TIME THEY
REACH 3RD GRADE**



IN RIVERSIDE AND SAN BERNARDINO COUNTIES
3 OUT OF **4** KIDS HAVE EXPERIENCED TOOTH
DECAY BY THE TIME THEY REACH 3RD GRADE

Less than 50%
OF CHILDREN ARE ACCESSING
PREVENTIVE DENTAL CARE

*"Children's Oral Health Matters for School Success." CDPH.Ca.gov, Office of Oral Health, www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CCDPHP/DCDIC/CDCB/Pages/OralHealthProgram/Publications.aspx#.

** "Oral Health Status of Children: Results of the 2018–2019 California Third Grade Smile Survey." California 2019 3rd Grade Smile Survey, Office of Oral Health, www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CCDPHP/DCDIC/CDCB/CDPH%20Document%20Library/Oral%20Health%20Program/California_2019_3rd_Grade_Smile_Survey_20210730.pdf.

DHCS Topical Fluoride Measure

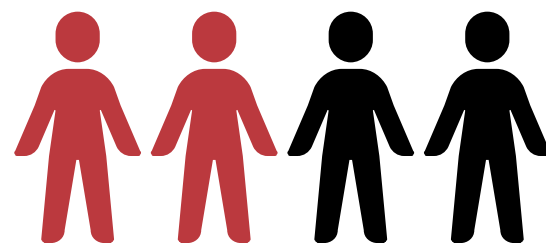


HEALTH PLAN MEASURE

THE PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN AGES 1 - 21 YEARS WHO RECEIVED AT LEAST **2** TOPICAL FLUORIDE APPLICATIONS WITHIN THE YEAR

WHY FLUORIDE VARNISH IS IMPORTANT

- FLUORIDE HELPS PROTECT TEETH BY STRENGTHENING THE OUTER ENAMEL SURFACE
- FLUORIDE VARNISH TREATMENTS HELP PREVENT TOOTH DECAY, SLOW IT DOWN, OR PREVENT IT FROM GETTING WORSE
- CHILDREN FROM LOW-INCOME FAMILIES ARE TWICE AS LIKELY TO HAVE CAVITIES AS CHILDREN FROM HIGHER-INCOME FAMILIES*



**BY AGE 8, OVER HALF OF CHILDREN (52%)
HAVE HAD A CAVITY IN THEIR PRIMARY
(BABY) TEETH.**

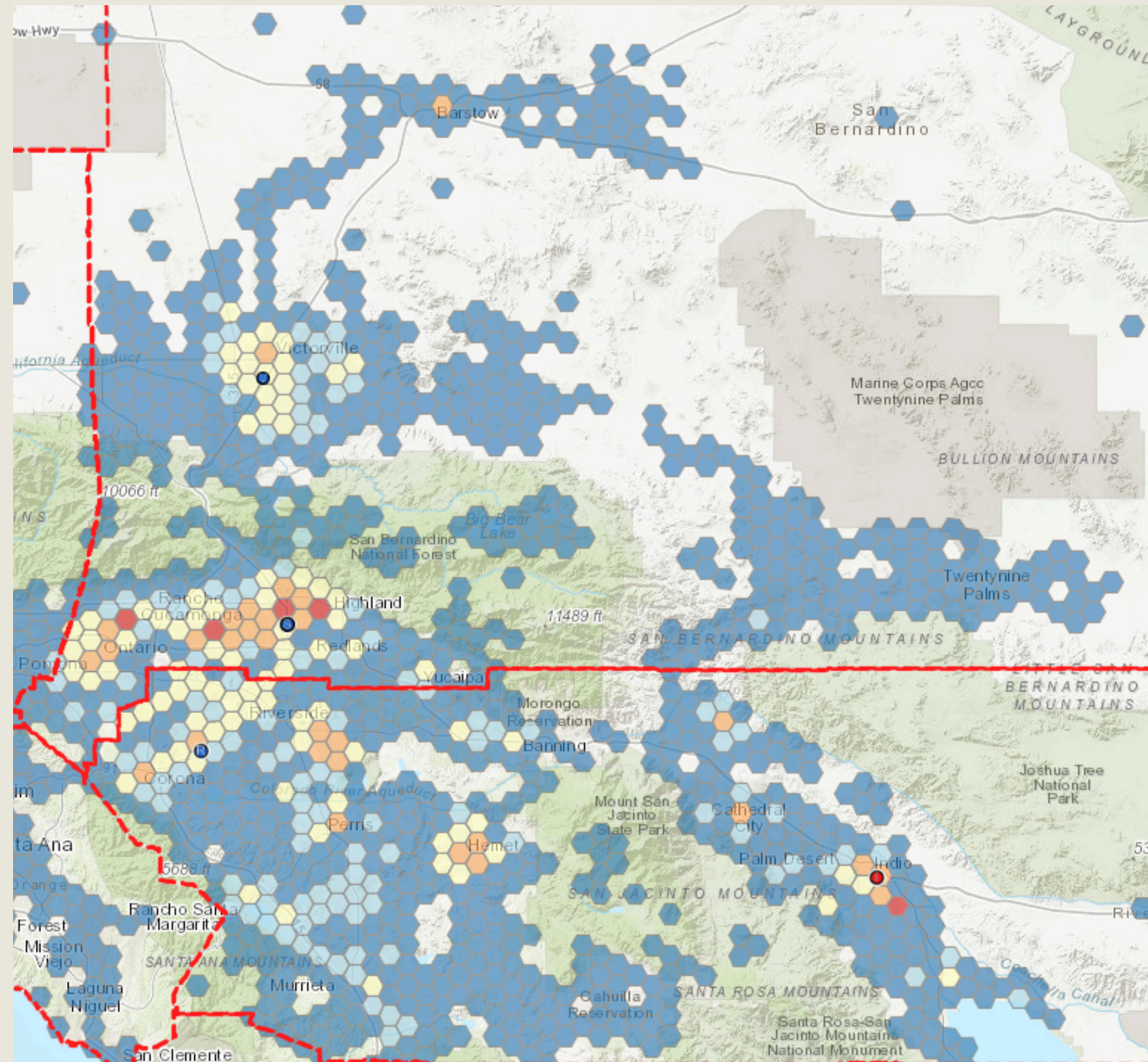
* CDC Healthy Schools Oral Health. <https://www.cdc.gov/healthyschools/npao/oralhealth.htm>

Fluoride Varnish Applications

Heat map of IEHP Member topical fluoride measure performance

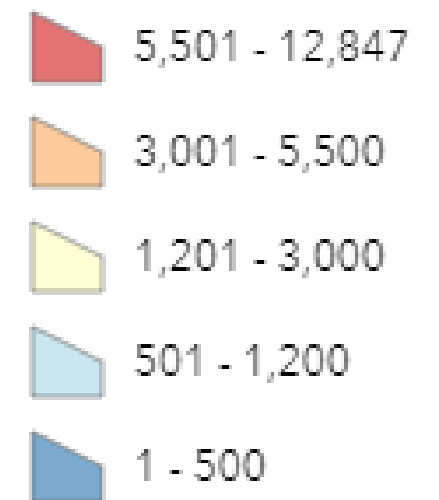
Clustering of Members not receiving two fluoride varnish applications seen in:

- Victorville/Hesperia/Apple Valley
- Rancho Cucamonga/Upland/Ontario
- Fontana/Rialto/San Bernardino
- Corona
- Moreno Valley/Perris Valley
- Hemet
- Palm Springs/Cathedral City
- Indio

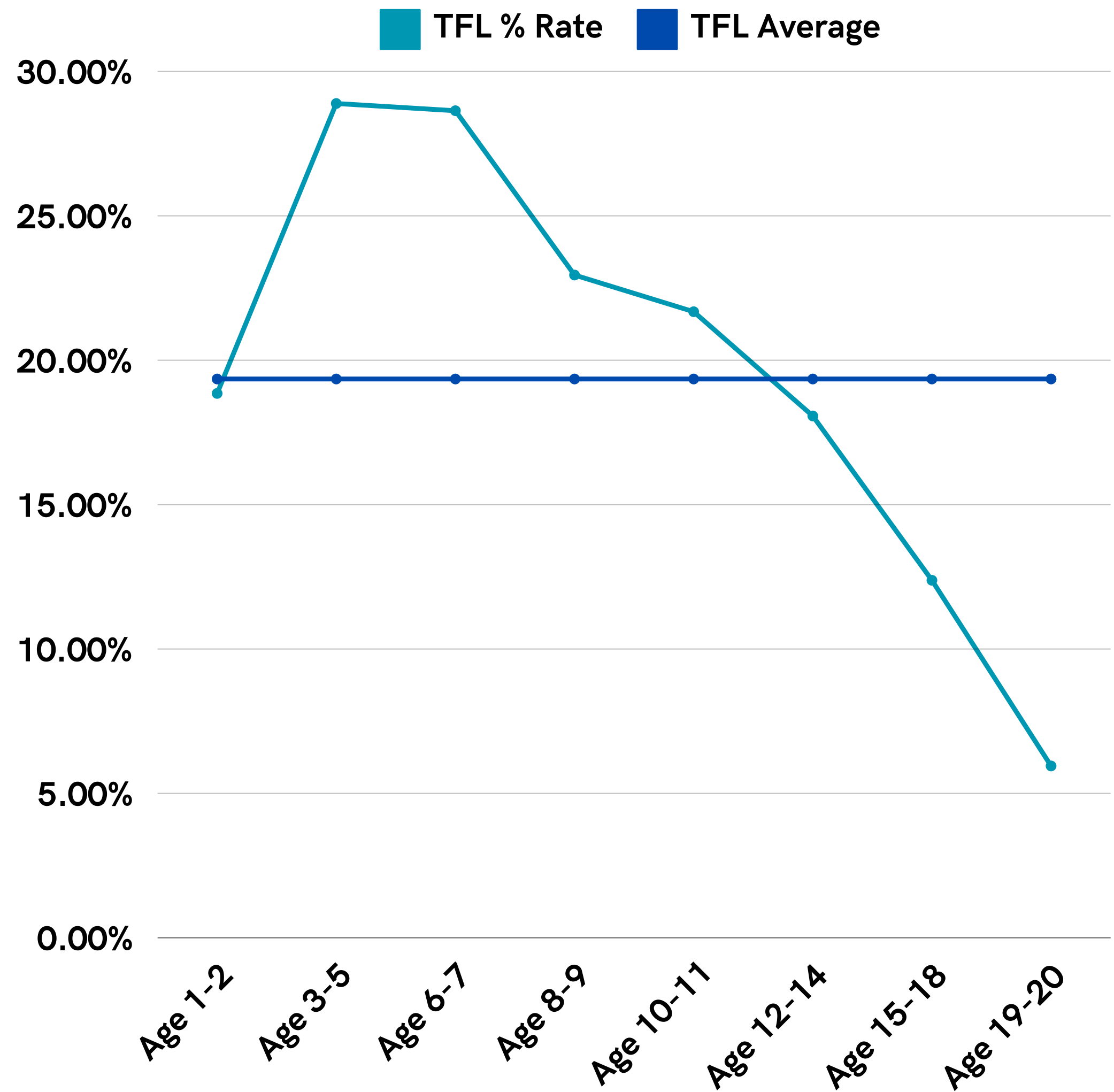


Topical Fluoride - 2023

TFL Not Completed



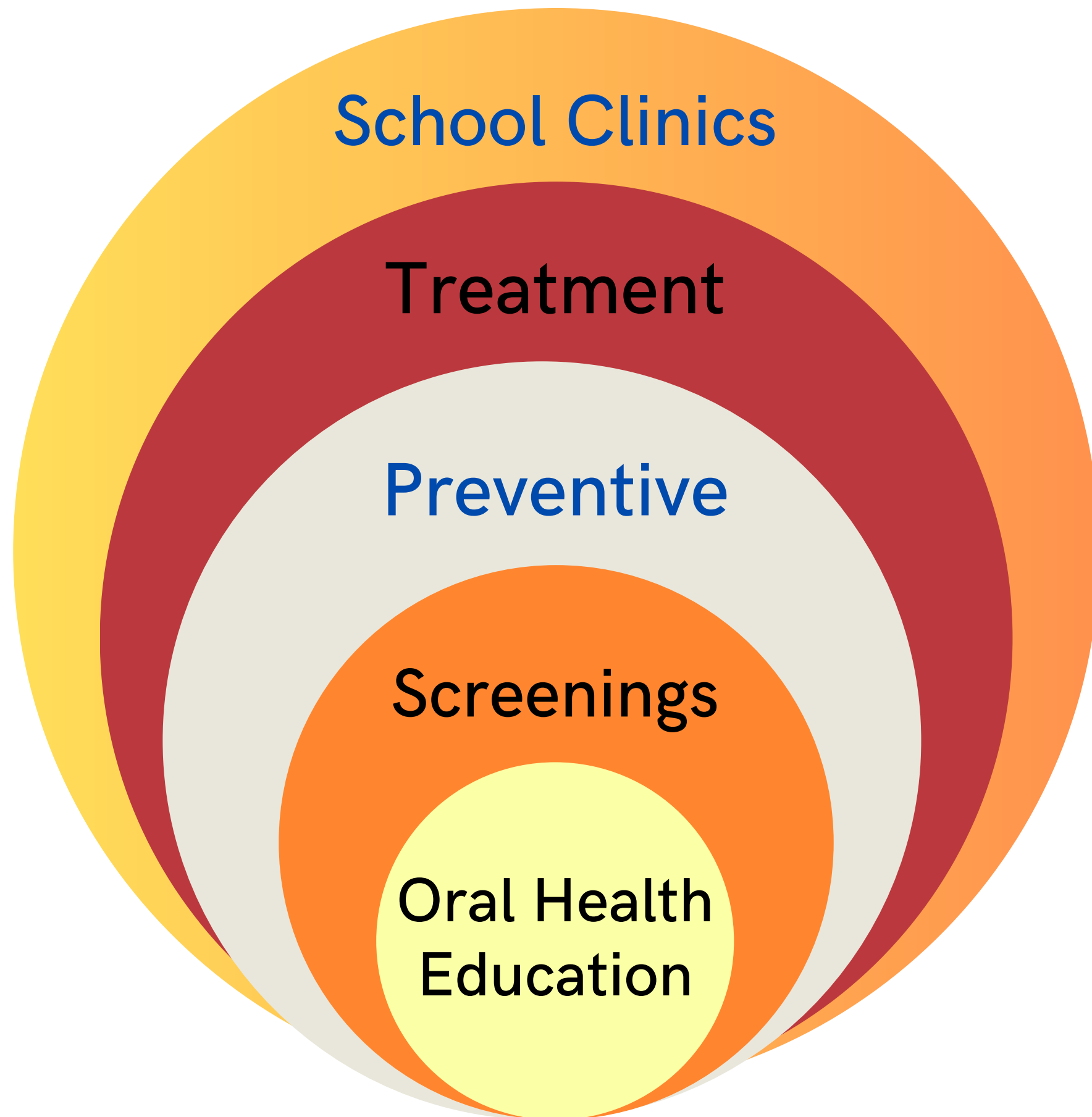
IEHP Topical Fluoride Measure Performance MY 2023



Why it Matters



- **Reduce absences and improve achievement**
- **CA districts lose \$30 Million annually due to dental problem absences**
- **Reduce pain and infection**
- **Improve self confidence, self-esteem, social connections**
- **Baby teeth hold space for adult teeth and help jaw/face muscle development**
- **Avoid expensive and extensive procedures**



School Programs

Grants or In-Kind

EDUCATION

Public Health Stipend or In-Kind

SCREENINGS (INCLUDING KINDERGARTEN)

Bill Medi-Cal Dental

PREVENTIVE

Bill Medi-Cal Dental

TREATMENT

Bill Medi-Cal Dental and Grants

SCHOOL-BASED CLINIC

San Bernardino County

Progress with School Districts

78%

HAVE AN ORAL HEALTH
PROGRAM OF SOME KIND
(25/32)



(57% (188/328) OF SCHOOLS WITHIN THESE DISTRICTS)

63%

HAVE ORAL HEALTH
PREVENTIVE SERVICES
(20/32)



(46% (152/328) OF SCHOOLS WITHIN THESE DISTRICTS)



San Bernardino County

ADELANTO ELEMENTARY

ALTA LOMA ELEMENTARY

APPLE VALLEY UNIFIED

BAKER VALLEY UNIFIED

BARSTOW UNIFIED

BEAR VALLEY UNIFIED

CENTRAL ELEMENTARY

CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED 

COLTON JOINT UNIFIED

CUCAMONGA ELEMENTARY

ETIWANDA ELEMENTARY

FONTANA UNIFIED 

HELENDALÉ ELEMENTARY

HESPERIA UNIFIED

LUCERNE VALLEY UNIFIED

MORONGO UNIFIED 

DENTAL EDUCATION AND SCREENINGS

PREVENTIVE DENTAL SERVICES

HEALTH CENTER



HEALTH CENTER INCLUDES DENTAL



NO KNOWN PROGRAM

MOUNTAIN VIEW ELEMENTARY

MT BALDY JOINT ELEMENTARY

NEEDLES UNIFIED

ONTARIO-MONTCLAIR ELEMENTARY 

ORO GRANDE ELEMENTARY

REDLANDS UNIFIED

RIALTO UNIFIED 

RIM OF THE WORLD UNIFIED

SAN BERNARDINO CITY UNIFIED 

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SILVER VALLEY UNIFIED

SNOWLINE JOINT UNIFIED

TRONA JOINT UNIFIED

UPLAND UNIFIED

VICTOR ELEMENTARY

YUCAIPA-CALIMESA JOINT UNIFIED

Riverside County

Progress with School Districts

87%

SCHOOL DISTRICTS:
HAVE AN ORAL HEALTH
PROGRAM OF SOME KIND
(20/23)



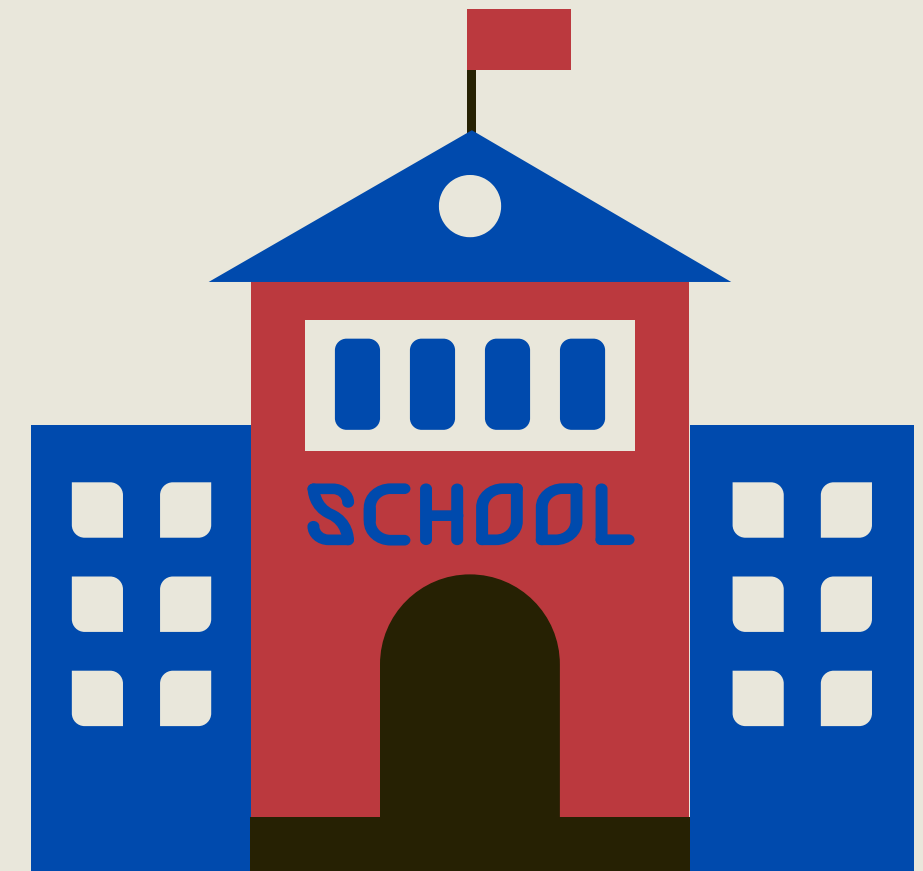
(244/281) OF SCHOOLS WITHIN THESE DISTRICTS

69%

HAVE ORAL HEALTH
PREVENTIVE SERVICES
(16/23)



(194/281) OF SCHOOLS WITHIN THESE DISTRICTS



Riverside County

ALVORD UNIFIED

BANNING UNIFIED

BEAUMONT UNIFIED

COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED  

CORONA-NORCO UNIFIED

DESERT CENTER UNIFIED

DESERT SANDS UNIFIED

HEMET UNIFIED

JURUPA UNIFIED

LAKE ELSINORE UNIFIED

MENIFEE UNION

MORENO VALLEY UNIFIED

MURRIETA VALLEY UNIFIED

DENTAL EDUCATION AND SCREENINGS

PREVENTIVE DENTAL SERVICES

HEALTH CENTER 

HEALTH CENTER INCLUDES DENTAL 

NO KNOWN PROGRAM

NUVIEW UNION

PALM SPRINGS UNIFIED  

PALO VERDE UNIFIED

PERRIS ELEMENTARY

RIVERSIDE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

RIVERSIDE UNIFIED  

ROMOLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

SAN JACINTO UNIFIED 

TEMECULA VALLEY

VAL VERDE UNIFIED

WHAT ARE WE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH

- REDUCE ABSENTEEISM

- INCREASE ACHIEVEMENT

- IMPROVE HEALTH



- IMPROVE ACCESS

- REDUCE DISPARITIES

- PREVENT SERIOUS DENTAL ISSUES

- EARLY, POSITIVE EXPOSURE TO DENTAL CARE

Where do you start?



- Advocate for oral health
- Find out your district/school requirements
- Connect with your local county oral health program and attend their advisory meetings
- Connect with managed care plans
- Select dental partner/s
- Attend regional school based oral health workgroups where various school districts come together to discuss their oral health efforts



Partners



COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- Smile SBC
- RUHS Public Health

MOBILE DENTAL PROFESSIONALS

- RDHAP's
- Dental Clinics
- Mobile Vans

HEALTHY SCHOOLS PROGRAMS

- Miles of Smiles
- Colgate Bright Smiles, Bright Futures

MANAGED CARE PLANS

- Inland Empire Health Plan
- Molina

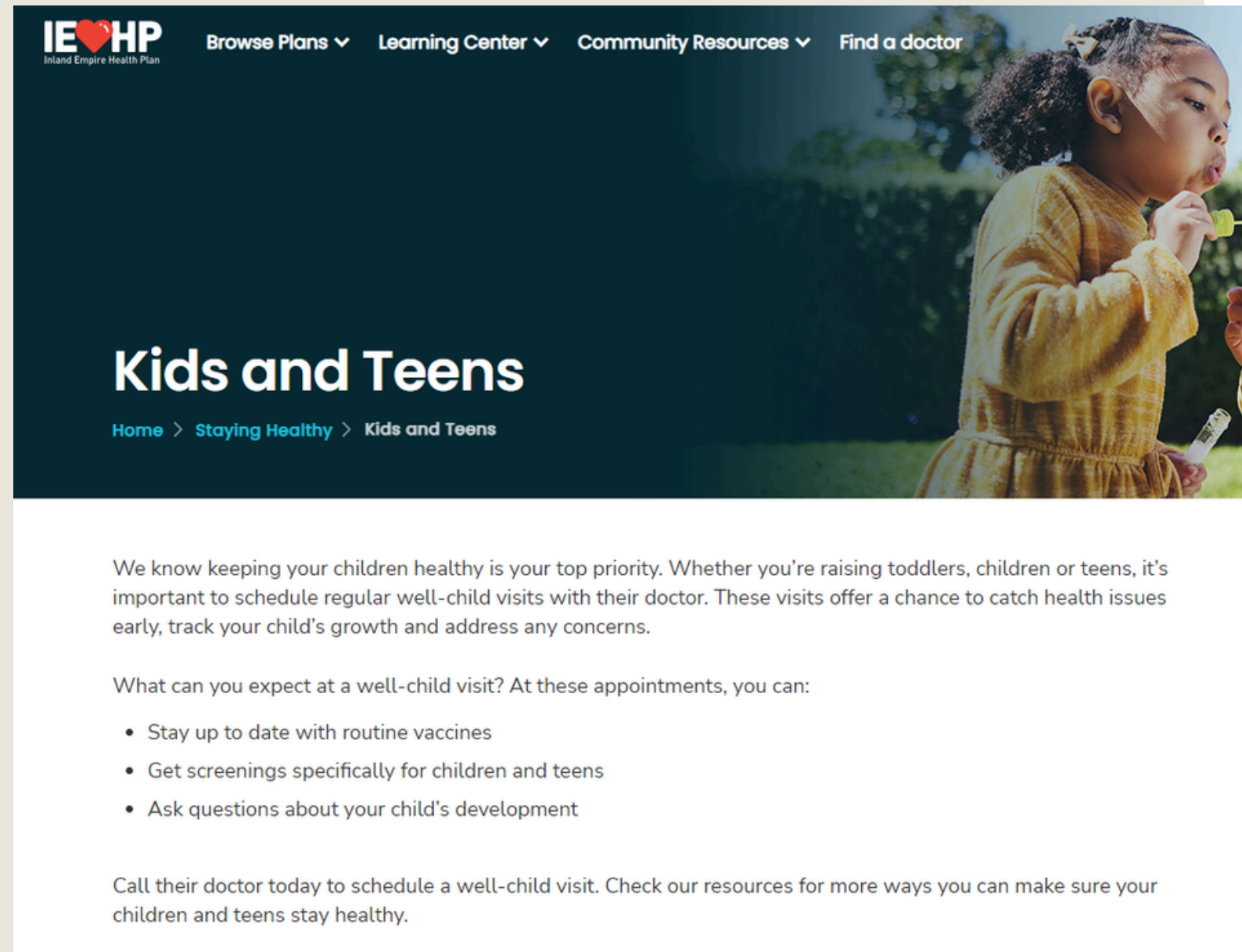
HEALTH NAVIGATORS CARE COORDINATORS

- Community Health Workers
- Health Navigators

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS


- Federally Qualified Health Centers
- Local Clinics
- Clubs (e.g. Rotary)


IEHP





- To empower, support and educate members (and non-members) access to physical, behavioral health and community services
- Provide targeted on-site and at home support
- Respond to LEA requests for support and student assistance
- Support the child and family system with primary and secondary needs
- Identify and close gaps in care


Riverside County




Find Your Way 

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Giving 

Find us on social: 

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RUHS

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Medi-Cal Dental Program




Find a Dentist



Care for Your Smile



Visiting the Dentist



Contact Us

Riverside County Oral Health Program

- ▼ Oral Health Program Children’s Dental Health Materials
- ^ Oral Health Program



A Good School Year Begins With a Dental Check-Up

Oral Health and School Readiness

San Bernardino County

smilesbc.org/oral-health-information-for-schools/

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Oral Health and School Readiness

Children with poor oral health may miss more school and receive lower grades than their healthier counterparts. In 2018, 440,000 of California K-12 students missed school costing school districts almost \$30 million dollars due to dental problems. In addition to missed school days, children may also have lower self-esteem and have trouble eating, speaking or sleeping because of pain. **The good news is that cavities (tooth decay) are preventable!** Learn about the ways to reduce absenteeism in your school with the resources below.

Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment (KOHA)

In the state of California, a child entering kindergarten or the first grade must have an assessment of their oral health completed before they start school. The screening can be completed in a dental office or in a school program. *View the links below for more information about the KOHA.*

KOHA Information

CDA KOHA Requirements

Dental Partners

We have several dental partners that conduct assessments and/or services in schools within San Bernardino County. View information on our dental partners below:





- [Assistance League of San Bernardino](#)
- [Big Smiles](#)
- [Children's Choice Dental Care](#)
- [Friendly Flosser](#)
- [GeriSmiles Mobile Dental Hygiene Clinic](#)
- [HAFDRA](#)
- [Healthy Teeth for Kids](#)
- [Morongo Basin Community Health Center](#)
- [Parktree Community Health Center](#)

Reach out to us for help in bringing this important service to your students by emailing us at info@smilesbc.org.


www.SmileSBC.org

Dental Referrals

www.SmileCalifornia.org

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Find A Dentist

If you have a dental emergency during COVID-19 restrictions, we can help you find a dentist.

Call the Customer Service Center at 1-800-322-6384 for assistance.

How to Use the Find A Dentist





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Medi-Cal Provider Directory

Search for Medi-Cal Dental Program Providers

Enter the appropriate information below to view a list of Dental Providers who may be accepting new Medi-Cal patients. This is not a guarantee they will be available to accept additional patients at the time you contact them. If you cannot find a dentist in your area who is accepting new patients, please contact the Medi-Cal Telephone Service Center for additional help at 1-800-322-6384.

With offices

☒ **in California**

Within

10 Miles

of Location

Address, city, or zip

Dental Referrals Lists

San Bernardino



Public Health



Medi-Cal Dental and Low-Cost Dental Clinics

General Dental Clinic

Dental services include cleanings, exams, digital x-rays, sealants, fillings, and extractions for children, adults and pregnant individuals.

Dr. Alexander Magallanes, DDS
San Bernardino
909-321-5321

Assistance League of Redlands
Redlands
909-792-9430

Big Bear Rural Health Clinic
Big Bear City
909-878-8221

Bloomington Community Health Center
Bloomington
909-546-7560

Friends of Family Health Center
Ontario
909-363-9300

Inland Family Community Health Center
San Bernardino
909-708-8168

Lake Arrowhead Dental Clinic
Lake Arrowhead
909-336-4045

Loma Linda University School of Dentistry 
General Dental Clinic
Loma Linda
909-558-4222

Morongo Basin Community Health Center
Yucca Valley and Twentynine Palms
760-820-4131 and 760-366-6438

Parktree Community Health Center
Ontario
909-469-9018 and 909-469-9016

SAC Health System
San Bernardino
909-382-7100

San Bernardino County Health Centers
Hesperia, Ontario and San Bernardino
1-800-722-4777

Tri-State Community Health Center
Adelanto
760-237-8848

Unicare Community Health Center
Colton, Fontana and Ontario
909-988-2555

Pediatric Dental Clinic

Dental services include cleanings, exams, digital x-rays, fluoride varnish, sealants, baby root canals, fillings, and extractions for children only.

Assistance League of San Bernardino
San Bernardino
909-885-2045
**Uninsured services \$20 for children ages 5-25*

Barstow Children's Dentistry
Barstow
760-260-9033

Brushketeers Dentistry for Kids
Highland
909-834-0834

Children's Dental Fun Zone 
Fontana
909-417-6070

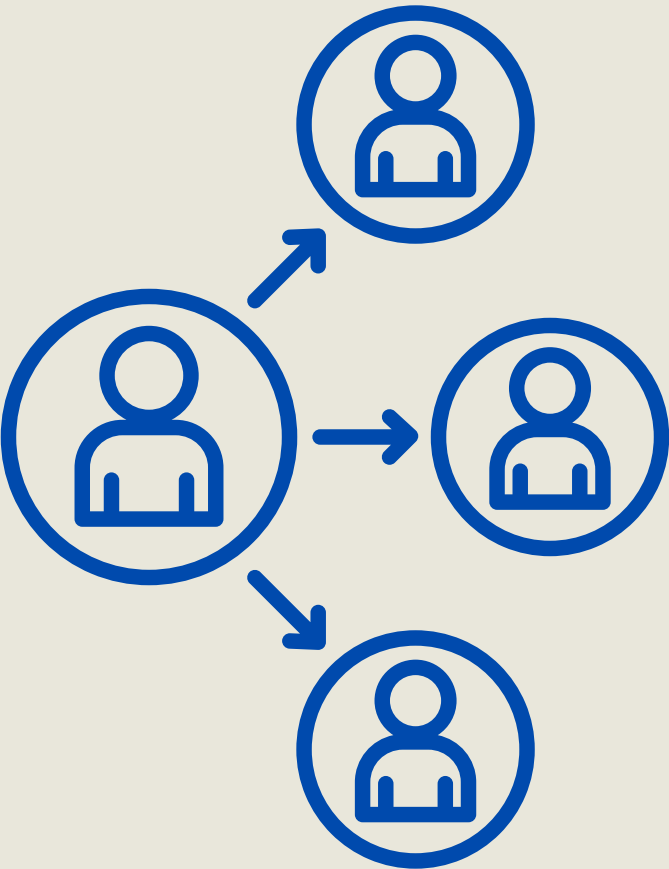
Children's Choice Dental Care 
San Bernardino and Victorville
844-707-5437

Dentistry 4 Kids and Orthodontics 
Fontana and Chino
909-355-0385 and 909-613-1144


Healthy Teeth For Kids 
Redlands
909-798-3410 or 909-380-5443


Magicland Dental 
Rialto
909-746-5000

 = Orthodontics available





Riverside







Dental Clinic/Clínica Dental	Insurance/Seguro	Phone/Teléfono
Banning Family Community Health Center Banning	• Medi-Cal • Additional plans • Planes adicionales	(951) 846-2560
Borrego Health Centro Medico Cathedral City Thermal	• Medi-Cal • Free services / Low-cost services • Servicios gratuitos / Servicios de bajo costo	Cathedral City - (760) 321-6776 Thermal - (760) 238-5494
Borrego Health Desert Hot Springs Health & Wellness Center Desert Hot Springs	• Medi-Cal • Free services / Low-cost services • Servicios gratuitos / Servicios de bajo costo	(760) 251-0044
Borrego Health Jay Hoffman Health Center Nuevo	• Medi-Cal • Free services / Low-cost services • Servicios gratuitos / Servicios de bajo costo	(951) 928-2805
Centro Medico Community Clinic Corona	• Medi-Cal • Special needs patients • Pacientes con necesidades especiales	(951) 278-8910
Indio Surgery Center Indio	• Medi-Cal • Special needs patients • Pacientes con necesidades especiales • Ages 10 and under • Menores de 10 años	(760) 396-5733
Innercare Hemet, Blythe, & Mecca,	• Medi-Cal • Additional plans • Planes adicionales	Hemet - (951) 599-8403 Blythe - (760) 544-6996 Mecca - (760) 396-0521
Magnolia Community Health Center Riverside	• Medi-Cal • Additional plans • Planes adicionales	(951) 373-5620
Moreno Valley Family Health Center Moreno Valley	• Medi-Cal • Additional plans • Planes adicionales	(951) 571-2350
Neighborhood Health Arlanza Family Health Center Eastside Health Center	• Medi-Cal Sliding Fee • Tarifa basada en ingresos mensuales • Additional plans • Planes adicionales	Arlanza - (833) 867-4642 Eastside - (951) 213-3450
Neighborhood Healthcare Hemet	• Medi-Cal • Sliding Fee • Tarifa basada en ingresos mensuales • Additional plans • Planes adicionales	(760) 396-5733


 Brush 2x a day with fluoride toothpaste

 Floss Daily

 Avoid sugary drinks

 Eat healthy foods

 Visit the dentist twice a year



Riverside University Health System
Public Health-Oral Health Program
Website: www.smilerivco.org
E-mail: RC-OHP@ruhealth.org



Success Story:

Shellie with HAFDRA - Rim of the World

23/24 School Year



A 7 year old had a history of decay. Her parents desperately wanted to get her permanent molars sealed. She came into the classroom and immediately started to cry. We got her seated and explained everything to her and she agreed to let us do ONE sealant. She continued to cry but let us complete the treatment on the ONE molar. I talked to her and asked her to think about what she had experienced with the one sealant and if she could be brave and come back when we returned to her school so that we could do the other 3 sealants.

Six weeks later, we were back and in walks the girl with a beautiful but shy smile on her face and said, "I am going to be brave so that you can make my grown-up teeth strong and healthy". She sat perfectly through the entire treatment and at the end, got out of the chair and gave me the biggest hug and said, "Thank you for helping me be brave". I'll admit, my eyes teared up as I told her how very proud of her we were.

Dental Screenings Using Artificial Intelligence Pilot Program

A pilot program to bring oral health assessments into schools was launched in Riverside County through a partnership with Riverside County Office of Education, Riverside University Health System-Public Health, Riverside First 5 Commission, California Northstate University College of Dental Medicine, and Dental.com.



“Our students were very enthusiastic about the screenings, thanks to the exciting classroom presentations to prepare them for the screening day. Oral health is critical to our students' well-being and directly impacts learning. If they are in pain or need extended dental procedures due to lack of adequate dental care, they will miss important class time and not be able to focus as well. We want our students to be healthy and able to access their education. A dental screening provided in school can help us accomplish those goals.”

-Dr. Anny Iacono

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Contact Information

Reach out to us for comments
or inquiries.



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