

GOING MILES FOR HEALTHY SMILES

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Dear 2nd & 3rd grade teachers,

If you could please have your students complete this self-based evidence study before the dental health presentation on 2/6/13 and return to the school nurse, it would be greatly appreciated. The second survey will be handed out after the presentation. The results of the survey will be shared with the NYSDOH.

Thank you very much for your assistance, we are very appreciative.

We would like to provide an overview of our dental program to help answer any questions.

Our community dentistry program is in its eighteenth year providing dental services at sites in Ontario, Wayne, Yates, Schuyler, Steuben, Chemung, and Seneca counties. We have expanded the program this year into Allegany and Livingston Counties.

The primary focus of the dental program is to provide quality, affordable, and accessible dental services to children. There is no cost to the school; they simply provide us with the space that is needed. Our target populations are those children in non fluoridated and under served areas. All sites are approved by the State Department of Health prior to dental services.

Please understand that no one is obligated to use our dental services. If your family has a dental home we encourage you to continue his/her dental care with them. We do however, understand how difficult it can be to make and keep appointments, losing time from work, or experiencing the difficulty of finding a provider that accepts Child Health Plus, Medicaid, and Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

We begin with dental health presentations, dental forms go home with the students after the presentations. Dental forms are also available in the health office and on the website. The dental forms must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian in order for the student to be seen. Forms may be returned to the health office; we collect all forms yes or no. We are located within the school, usually the health office.

The program is offering a dental exam by a pediatric dentist with a completed dental health certificate that the state is requesting for grades K, 2, 4, 7, 10. We also offer a dental screening/ referral, prophylaxis (cleaning), a fluoride treatment, home care instructions and a toothbrush/floss to each child that participates in the dental program. **Dental sealants will be offered free to students in 2nd & 3rd grades** if the child is in need of them. These students are also completing a survey before & after the dental presentation to evaluate its effectiveness.

After a child has been seen, we send home a report and/or may contact the parents/guardians to discuss any findings and make a referral if needed. Referrals for restorations (cavity /fillings), stainless steel crowns, simple extractions and orthodontics will be made. We will provide a list of area dental providers that accept Child Health Plus and Medicaid.

We look forward to serving your community. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to leave us a message at 585-554-4825.

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