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ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT

MEDICAL AND DENTAL COLLABORATION

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TODAY:

- Opportunities to align activities

- Dialogue

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MEDICAL and DENTAL COLLABORATION

WHY?

– The health care system fails to reach the population where dental disease is most prevalent
– Dental disease prevention fits with primary care medical principles

EVOLVING MODELS....

– Collaboration: dentists working with medical practices
– Integration: dental services delivered as a routine part of primary health care
NATIONAL INTERPROFESSIONAL INITIATIVE ON ORAL HEALTH

Consortium of funders and health professional

VISION
- engage clinicians, eradicate dental disease

MISSION
- add oral health back into health professional education and training so that
- graduates are ready and willing to deliver oral health preventive service
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INVESTS IN

- Interprofessional tools: SMILES FOR LIFE
- Network of oral health champions
- Systems change
- Interprofessional education using oral health

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COLLECTIVE IMPACT
Mutually reinforcing activities by many participants

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CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

8 annotated 50 minute modules- web and PowerPoint
1. The relationship of oral to systemic health
2. Child oral health
3. Adult oral health
4. Dental emergencies
5. Oral health in pregnancy
6. Fluoride varnish
7. The oral examination
8. Geriatric oral health (coming soon)

Interactive cases, test questions, CME credit with certificate

Resources for further learning
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Adult Oral Health and Disease

This course addresses how adult oral health is impacted by factors such as disease, aging, medication, and substance use. Clinicians will review risk factors and etiologies of oral conditions, as well as appropriate treatment and referral procedures. Additionally, this module will address how to effectively promote oral disease prevention, coordinate dental care for patients requiring antibiotic prophylaxis, and collaboratively manage anticoagulation in patients undergoing oral procedures.

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American Academy of Family Physicians

American Academy of Pediatrics

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Physician Assistant Education Association

Society of Teachers of Family Medicine

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IMPACT

- 135,000 total downloads
  - 58,000 courses
  - 77,000 supplements
  - 9,000 online courses completed

- Core curriculum for NIIOH Partners
  - Medical primary care specialties
  - Physician Assistants
  - Nursing
  - Dental professionals
  - Pharmacy

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SUMMARY

Ways we can work together:

- Smiles for Life curriculum…a resource

- Recruit oral health champions in the health professions education system
  - Pre-doctoral Medical programs, Family Medicine, Pediatrics, IM, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Residency, Nursing, Physician Assistant, Pharmacy

- Work to get oral health in accreditation and licensing standards

- Work with educators to develop an Interprofessional Education program that uses oral health to teach Interprofessional competencies

- Invite us to share our work with your local health professional gatherings

THANK YOU for this opportunity to share!!