Virginia Oral Health Coalition – Early Dental Home Workgroup  
Perinatal and Infant Oral Health Quality Improvement (PIOHQI) Grant Project Advisory Board  
Tuesday, February 28, 2017  
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
VAOHC Office/ Richmond, Virginia

Attendees: Tonya Adiches (VDH); Dawn Ault (Head Start Virginia); Lisa Bilik (DMAS); Kathy Gillikin (DSS); Sharon Logue (VDH); Shillpa Naavaal (VCU); Natalie Pennywell (VDH); Trinette Randolph (VCHA); Victoria Sanders (Petersburg Wellness Consortium); Rich Schultz (Smart Beginnings Greater Richmond); Myra Shook (DMAS); Casey Tupea; JoAnn Wells (VDH)

Staff: Kim Elder, Sarah Holland

**Partner Updates**

**Rich Schultz, Smart Beginnings Greater Richmond**
- Regional Plan for School Readiness
  - Synthesis of Goals and Strategies – 2017 – 2020 (attached)
  - To be officially launched in May
- Richmond School Readiness snapshot (attached)
  - New snapshot data for the Richmond region - including data from 9 county/city territory.
- Kindergarten Registration (attached) Thursday, April 20, 2017

**Sarah Holland, Virginia Oral Health Coalition**
- Virginia Oral Health Report Card
  - Regional work - Creating plans specific to communities where they work and live.
    - Northern Virginia – First regional meeting had 70 in attendance!
      - State wide and regional data presented
      - 22 people agreed to create task force which will meet next month.
    - Central Region - Richmond and Petersburg - will be the next meeting
      - Step 1 – currently creating planning group for meeting.
      - Step 2 - kick off meeting
      - Step 3 - creating regional task force
      - Many people are from state wide orgs. Key is to have people on the ground in the region. *Asked if anyone knows people who would be interested in participating.*

**Rachelle Vo, Hampton Healthy Families**
- Hampton Healthy Families reaches about 350 families each month
- Hampton Healthy Families recently added to their data sheet – fields for mom’s dentist, child’s dentist and dental appointments made and kept
- Kami Piscitelli, RDH with VDH recently held a very comprehensive oral health training at Hampton Healthy Families
- Rachelle also held a parenting group called ‘Love Your Smile’ event for families that included
  - Education on dental care
  - Resources for parents and children
And a visit from the tooth fairy

JoAnn Wells, VDH
- WIC Clinics – Survey for pregnant women (attached)
  - Questionnaire and screening for pregnant women with treated and untreated decay, periodontal disease, emergency care and referrals.
  - 559 completed out of 600 – hope to finish mid-March
  - Tiffany Wright working with additional hygienists in local WIC clinics
  - Looking forward to other avenues to survey pregnant women to get better response
- Head Start Survey
  - Submitted an IRB to survey 53 Head Start sites
- VCU Project
  - Social innovation class project with Nelson Clinic
  - Project objective: Insert questions on oral health into Cerner software
    - Paper pilot test – saw 47 pregnant women
      - 19 enrolled in Medicaid
        - 4 with regular dentist AND seen in last 6 months
        - 15 without regular dentist OR not been seen. This group received flyer/referral
      - 28 not enrolled in Medicaid
        - 15 with regular dentist AND seen in last 6 months
        - 13 without regular dentist OR not been seen. This group received flyer/referral
      - After two weeks in none of the patients who received flyers/referrals saw dentist.
    - Waiting for update from VCU

Kim Elder, Virginia Oral Health Coalition
- PIOHQM work with home visiting groups – focus on pregnant women and infants
  - Hampton Healthy Families
    - Introductory meeting with Rachelle Vo, Team Lead – October 2016
    - General presentation on oral health and dental benefits – November 2016
    - Comprehensive oral health education for home visitors – February 2017
    - ‘Love Your Smile’ event for families – February 2017
    - Dental care fields added to data sheet – February 2017
    - Next steps
      - Hampton Healthy Families staff to research methods of tracking dental info on data sheets
      - Additional trainings offered annually and refresher sessions as needed
  - Newport News – Dept of Human Services – Home Visiting
    - Introductory meeting with Shardell Gerald, NN Chief of Prevention Services
    - General presentation on oral health and dental benefits – December 2016
    - Next Steps
      - Training for dental providers to be held April 13, 2017 at ECPI in NN
      - Comprehensive oral health education for home visitors to be held June 8, 2017 at NN Dept of Human Services
- Home visiting staff currently researching standardizing oral health messaging on home visits and ways to measure.
- PIOHQI work with safety net clinics – focus on pregnant women
  - Crossover Healthcare Ministries
    - Crossover leadership has already achieved considerable oral health integration
    - Requested assistance with improving patient oral health literacy
  - VOHC provided resources – handouts and videos to be used in their education efforts
  - VOHC provided input on a survey for their OB patients
    - Next steps
      - Get feedback on how educational materials have been received by OB patients as well as survey results
  - *Asked the Advisory Board members if they know of safety net clinics that we could help through PIOHQI*
- PIOHQI – Provider trainings
  - March 23, 2017 – Provider (medical and dental) training on Oral Health and Pregnancy by Dr. Tiffany Williams, DDS, MSD and Dr. Nathan Webb, MD OBGYN to be held at the Coalition office location
  - April 13, 2017 – Provider (dental) training on Oral Health for Pregnant Women and Young Children by Dr. Tiffany Williams, DDS, MSD to be held at ECPI – Newport News location

**Myra Shook, DMAS**
- DMAS working toward increasing the utilization of services for pregnant women and young children and the message that oral health is overall health
- Be sure to include Jackie Wake in trainings to share information on dental benefits
- Pushing early dental home and dental advisory committee.
  - *Suggestion DAC members should attend regional report card meetings*

**Sharon Logue, VDH**
- Remote dental hygienists targeting high risk areas – BSB program to provide education to new moms and apply fluoride varnish
- Her team is involved with Head Start centers - where they reach more children than in WIC centers.
- Head Start also has classes for pregnant women
- Dental hygienists are encouraged to reach out for additional opportunities to spread the word on the importance of oral health

**Natalie Pennywell, VDH**
- WIC survey
  - 77,000 surveys went out and 34,700 have been returned!
  - Currently analyzing data – 13% have been input
  - Hope to finish input and analysis in October
- Referrals – also working on referrals for everything including dental
- WIC Medical Advisory Council – working to reinstitute the council for the state – open to medical providers, health services managers, nutritionists, social workers among others (attachment)
Dawn Ault, Head Start Virginia

- Every Head Start has a Health Advisory Committee
  - Staff and parents are invited to these meetings – in person or by phone
  - Meet with health managers that work with case managers
- Also parent trainings – especially for pregnant women
  - Baby showers! Opportunity to provide education to expecting moms
    - Contact local EHS programs for details – (Contact list attached)
- Meetings
  - Health Advisory Committee meetings in April and May (see attached)

Trinette Randolph, VCHA

- Offered to spread the word about the Central Virginia Report Card meeting
- Also offered to identify safety net clinics for PIOHQI grant work

Kathy Gillikin, DSS

- 14,000 individuals have completed the course for child care providers that includes an oral health component
- It is free to take the course by June 2018
- Community colleges are considering adding a pre-service class

Presentations

Sarah Holland - Policy Update – (presentation attached)
Tiffany Wright – VDH Fluoride Varnish Program – (presentation attached)

Next Steps

JoAnn Wells announced that there will be an evaluation of the PIOHQI Project Advisory Board distributed after the group has met for one year.

Kim Elder will follow up with Trinette Randolph on safety net clinics and information on Central Virginia Report Card Meeting.

Next Meeting

June 13, 2017 from 10:30 – 12:30 at the Coalition office location.