June 2014 Newsletter

VaOHC Website Get New Look, New Features and a Robust Resources Section

- you and the rest of our partners are VaOHC's greatest asset. That's why we spent the past year revamping our website (www.vaoralhealth.org) to provide you with access to robust resources, tools and information. The new site is easier to use and more reflective of our growing and diverse array of partners.

New website features include:

- **Resources.** Visit the comprehensive Resources section to find data, research and oral health information organized by topic.
- **Search Box.** Give it a spin at the top of every page to find information on your favorite oral health topic.
- **News.** Timely oral health news now appears on the home page and in a special News section.

*Spread the Word!* Use this [social media kit](#) to share the revamped website with your friends in oral health.

*Check it out today, and let us know what you think!*

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VaOHC's legislative committee members help to shape policy decisions by making recommendations to the board of directors about specific legislation, based on VaOHC's guiding principles. VaOHC seeks additional legislative committee members from a wide array of backgrounds to represent the diversity of our partners.

If you're interested in joining the committee, please complete and return this [application](#).
2014 Virginia Oral Health Summit

Save the Date!

Friday, Nov. 14
Richmond, VA

The 2014 Summit will focus on oral health in patient-centered health care.

Sponsor and exhibit opportunities are still available! View the sponsorship levels and contact Esther Wong Hershman for details.

Please take a moment to support the Coalition's work.

Oral Health and Overall Health

Oral health and overall health are fundamentally intertwined. The following links present current information on how oral health is connected to overall health and well-being.

- Oral Bacteria and Fetal Health
- Periodontal Disease and Gastric Lesions
- Crohn's Disease and Caries Risk
- Food Security and Caries Risk

Become a VaOHC Partner!

VaOHC understands that the key to ensuring all Virginians have access to affordable oral health care lies in its network of community partners. Become a VaOHC partner today by completing the online partnership form. Benefits include representation during legislative session and networking with other oral health stakeholders.

Finish the VaOHC Partnership Form
CE Course: How Dental Practitioners Can Help Patients with Substance Abuse Issues

Arizona State University is offering a free CE course for dental professionals on how to identify unhealthy use of alcohol and drugs and to address these issues before the patient begins engaging in abusive or dependent patterns of abuse.

View more information about the SBIRT course

Please visit our website for more oral health information www.vaoralhealth.org

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