



## Virginia Oral Health Coalition Update June 2018

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### Register Today! Collaboration and Leadership Workshop

#### Workshop: Collaboration and Leadership to Improve Oral Health

Tuesday, August 21 -  
Wednesday, August 22, 2018  
Richmond, VA

#### [Register Now!](#)

- \* Lead community-driven, collaborative initiatives.
- \* Garner support for collective action and policy change.
- \* Build the infrastructure for sustainable system change.

*Please register by August 14.*

Questions? Contact [Lauren Gray](#) at 804.299.5506.

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### Medicaid Expansion Resources Available

Last month, Virginia took a big step forward in ensuring access to affordable health care for all by expanding Medicaid eligibility. Under the expansion, 400,000 Virginians are newly-eligible for coverage, from single, childless adults with incomes up to \$16,754 annually who were previously ineligible for Medicaid to families whose annual income limit for coverage grew from \$6,900 to \$22,715 for a family of two. As we move closer to the implementation date, there are lots of questions about enrollment, pending working requirements, and the impact of expansion.

While certain aspects of expansion are still being resolved, like the work requirement, you can get up-to-date expansion details now on the [Cover Virginia website](#). Cover Virginia offers easy-to-share information, like [this postcard](#) on Medicaid eligibility changes, for you to download, print, and share.

[Download the postcard](#) and read Coalition CEO [Sarah Bedard Holland's blog](#) on what Medicaid expansion means for the Commonwealth.

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### Of Interest

#### Oral Health and Overall Health

Oral health and overall health are fundamentally intertwined. The following links present current information on how oral health and other social factors impact overall health and well-being.

- [Water Fluoridation and Dental Caries in](#)

## Upcoming VaOHC Meetings

[View our online Event Calendar](#)

July 10 | Petersburg  
[Greater Richmond & Petersburg Oral Health Alliance Convening](#)

July 10 | Hampton  
[Impacting Oral Health in the Community Training](#)

July 13 | Danville  
[Impacting Oral Health in the Community Training](#)

July 13 | Fairfax  
[NOVA Oral Health Joint Workgroup Meeting](#)

July 16 | Video Conference  
[Greater Richmond & Petersburg Oral Health Alliance Pregnant Women's Workgroup](#)

July 19 | Richmond  
[Greater Richmond & Petersburg Safety Net Convening](#)

August 7 | Fairfax  
[NOVA Oral Health Alliance Adult Workgroup](#)

August 9 | Fairfax  
[Impacting Oral Health in the Community Training](#)

August 20 | Video Conference  
[Greater Richmond & Petersburg Oral Health Alliance Pregnant Women's Workgroup](#)

August 21-22 | Richmond  
[2-Day Workshop Collaboration and Leadership to Improve Oral Health](#)

August 28 | Richmond  
[Greater Richmond & Petersburg Oral Health Alliance Meeting](#)

September 4 | Richmond  
[Impacting Oral Health in the Community Training](#)

September 17 | Video Conference  
[Greater Richmond & Petersburg Oral Health Alliance Pregnant Women's Workgroup](#)

September 19 | Richmond  
[Early Dental Home/Project Advisory Board](#)

[U.S. Children and Adolescents](#) (Journal of Dental Research)

- [School Oral Health Resource Library](#) (School-Based Health Alliance)
- [Health Resources for Soldiers and Families](#) (Campaign for Dental Health)

## New Study Shows Toddlers Consuming Too Much Added Sugar

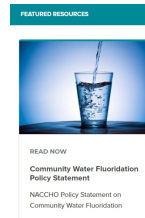
Consuming added sugar can lead to high levels of cavities in early childhood. A new report analyzed the amount of added sugar toddlers in Maryland consumed in a day and found, among babies 6 to 11 months old,



61% of their diet includes added sugar, and for children from 1 to 2 years old, 99% of their diet has added sugar. Common sources of added sugar for toddlers can be sugary drinks, cereals, and yogurts. [Learn more about the study and how parents can reduce sugar intake.](#)

## CDC and NACCHO Launch Website for Community Water Fluoridation

A new website from the CDC and the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) is arming local organizations and health departments with educational materials on water fluoridation. The [Communications Toolkit](#) provides fact sheets and tools to share the importance of fluoridation.



## Public Service Announcements Share Tips on Keeping Children Cavity Free

Two new public service announcements (PSAs) from the Children's Dental Health Project and UnitedHealthcare are sharing health tips with parents to keep their children cavity-free. View the [30-second PSA](#) and [60-second PSA](#) and share with your networks to spread this helpful information to parents.



September 24 | Richmond  
[Greater Richmond & Petersburg  
Oral Health Alliance Grassroots  
Advocacy Workgroup](#)

September 27 | Harrisonburg  
[Impacting Oral Health in the  
Community](#)

November 8 | Richmond  
2018 Virginia Oral Health Summit  
*Save the Date*

Check out our  
[event calendar](#) to view meeting  
times and exact locations for all  
dates listed above.

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## Join the American Academy of Pediatrics Oral Health in Medical Settings Knowledge Network

For pediatric providers working on oral  
health integration programs, the American  
Academy of Pediatrics Section on Oral  
Health has created the Oral Health in  
Medical Settings Knowledge Network to  
connect individuals and share best  
practices and lessons learned. The network  
meets on the first Tuesday of each month at  
3:00 p.m. Eastern; if you are interested in  
joining, email Lauren Barone at  
[lbarone@aap.org](mailto:lbarone@aap.org).

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## Indian Health Service Data now Incorporated into CDC Oral Health Data Website

Indian Health Service (IHS) data on children  
enrolled in HeadStart through third grade is  
now available on the "Child Indicators" tab  
on the CDC [Oral Health Data website](#). Users  
can compare IHS data with state oral health  
survey data, including data on dental  
sealants and untreated tooth decay.



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