



WEEKLY WEDNESDAY UPDATE

The Weekly Wednesday Update is our newsletter which we email every Wednesday with oral health, health and policy updates from around the state and nationally.

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Recommendations For Dental Treatment In Kansas During Covid-19

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Bureau of Oral Health, [released a statement](#) recommending to suspend elective dental treatment until further notice will be in alignment with the Governor's Executive Order 20-16, (temporary, statewide stay-home order), which is currently in

effect until May 3, 2020 and includes any extensions of that Executive Order.

If you are having dental concerns, contact your dentist who will provide you with the best professional judgement. For more information about how consumers can understand what dental emergencies are, please see Oral Health Kansas' consumer COVID guide in [English](#) and in [Spanish](#). OHK will continue to provide resources as they become available. Check our [homepage](#) or [social media](#) for updates.



Watch This Experiment! How Acid Attacks Your Teeth

While you're home with your children, are you still reminding them to brush their teeth at least twice a day? If you're struggling with your children staying on their routine, how about showing them this video. Oral Health Kansas created an Acid Attack Kit to show what sugary drinks and food do to our teeth. It's an effective way to show what happens to our teeth while eating or drinking sugary items and you can watch it as a science experiment! [Here](#) is a video showing the steps of an acid attack in our mouths. If you would like to purchase a kit, click [here](#). If you have questions about the kit, email us at info@oralhealthkansas.org.



Infection Control Part 2: Questions & Answers About COVID-19

The [DentaQuest Partnership](#) is continuing to provide webinars to stay informed during the Covid-19 crisis. The need to stay up to date has increased, the Infection Control and Preventive Care During a National Health Care Crisis Webinar registration is full. They will provide a second webinar on April 21. This webinar will provide current American Dental Association (ADA) and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) dental guidelines on infection control, best practices for PPE and more. [Register here](#) before it's full!



Congratulations to Nathan Suter, DDS, who received the 10 Under 10 Award from the American Dental Association. Dr. Suter is the CEO of Access Teledentistry and owner of Green Leaf Dental Care in Missouri. 10 Under 10 Awards recognizes 10 new dentists who demonstrate excellence early in their careers. Dr. Suter worked to pass legislation on teledentistry in 2016 and in 2017 and started the first teledentistry pilot in Missouri. He has replicated this work with clients that want to utilize teledentistry in private practice, government, non-profit, and group practices.



Dr. Suter also presented at the 2018 Conference on Oral Health. He presented on the ways teledentistry has helped increase access. During the Covid-19 crisis, teledentistry is important to assess the needs of patients while maintaining a safe distance.



Sugary Drink Display Sanitation

During this time, hand washing and social distancing is on everyone's mind. We want everyone to have the comfort of knowing we sanitize our sugary drink displays. They are wiped down and cleaned off after they have been returned.



Out of an abundance of caution, we are suspending use of the Sugary Drink Display until May 3. You can begin making reservations for later in the year now, though.

Reserve your Sugary Drink Display for a health fair, office, or event! You can also purchase a Sugary Drink Display to have as your own! What is a Sugary Drink Display? It's our drink display that has 10 popular beverages and shows how much sugar is in each. [Click here to learn more!](#)

There is **no charge to use the Sugary Drink Display. Postage is reimbursed if you send in your receipt.**

All we ask is for you to fill out our survey included in the display materials and provide us

with feedback about the display. Click here to make a reservation!

Interested in purchasing a Sugary Drink Display? Click here to download our brochure.



Save the Date!

Mark your calendars for the 2020 Conference on Oral Health scheduled for Friday, November 13! Location in Johnson County! Watch for more details!

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