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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Registration Is At 50% Capacity!

Our registration list for the 2019 Conference on Oral Health for November 8 keeps getting longer and longer. We are already at 50% capacity! We know it's four months away, but spots are filling up quickly. Register now to have a guaranteed spot.

Preconference sessions for members belonging to one of the oral health coalitions will meet on Thursday, November 7.
Register by October 4 for the best rates!
Single registration rate: $90 ($120 after Oct. 4)
Registration + guest rate: $125 ($170 after Oct. 4)
Student rate: $30

View the conference brochure [here](#).

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**Recognize Someone For Their Hard Work**

In 2017, Lesley Johnson received the Outstanding Dental Hygienist Award. Each year we honor individuals and organizations who are working hard to improve oral health in their communities. The awards will be presented at the Conference on Oral Health on Friday, November 8.

The deadline to submit nominations is **Friday, September 6**. For more details and previous award winners, click [here](#).

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**Kansas Child Summer Issue: Maternal And Child Health**

Kansas Child is a publication by Kansas Child Care Aware. Kansas Child magazine is intended to provide a forum for the discussion of child care and early education issues and ideas.

Oral Health Kansas Dental Director, Kathy Hunt, was pleased to include an article in the Summer 2019 issue, on Cavity Free and Ready to Learn. We are partnering with Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) Bureau of Family Health to advance oral health efforts related to the Maternal and Child Health (MCH) State Action Plan. It's important to talk to parents about oral health education and ensuring children are being screened. One of the activities we are doing with MCH to provide oral health awareness, is launching biannual oral health awareness campaigns. These include hidden picture oral health posters and social media toolkits.
To view the Kansas Child Magazine, you must have a subscription. If you are interested in learning more about Kathy's article, email us at info@oralhealthkansas.org.

Oral Health Kansas was featured in the Winter 2017 issue. Click here to read the issue.

School Nurses Learn About The Effects Of Sugar On Our Teeth

Kathy Hunt and Kelly Rippel exhibited at the 2019 Kansas School Nurse Conference in Wichita this week. There they met with close to 100 school nurses from across the state, and provided oral health resources to better prepare them for the upcoming school year. Kathy demonstrated one of the acid attack kits. This is a demonstration of the effect of sugars on our teeth. This demonstration is helpful to use in classrooms of all ages, at health fairs and summer camps.

If you are interested in purchasing a kit, the nonprofit price is $40 and for profit is $60. Contact us to learn more at 785-235-6039 or info@oralhealthkansas.org.

Even Astronauts Have To Brush Their Teeth!

This week the world is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing. This led us to wonder how the astronauts brush their teeth in space. Check out how astronauts on the International Space Station brush! But remember, please don't swallow the toothpaste while you are on Earth.
Congrats to two of our staff members. Sonia Olmos, Operations and Communications Manager and Christi Nance, Policy Director who are celebrating their work anniversaries this month. Sonia is celebrating four years with Oral Health Kansas and Christi Nance is celebrating two years. Their combination of skills and expertise are a great contribution to OHK’s team!

Reserve A Sugary Drink Display

Have you spotted our Sugary Drink Display in your community? The displays have been visiting summer lunch programs, wellness fairs and community centers!

What is a Sugary Drink Display? It’s our drink display that has 10 popular beverages and shows how much sugar is in each. You can reserve a child drink display or an adult drink display for a month.

Spots fill up quickly! We will do our best to fulfill requests of less than 30 days but there is no guarantee.

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](mailto:info@oralhealthkansas.org) to make a reservation!

Interested in purchasing a Sugary Drink Display? Great, email us at [info@oralhealthkansas.org](mailto:info@oralhealthkansas.org) and we’ll send you more info!

Donate Supplies For Our Sugary Drink Display

We love sending out the Sugary Drink Display as an educational resource! However, due to bumps and bruises from shipping, there are times our beverages need replacing. Sometimes there are great BOGO deals and we’d appreciate you thinking of us. If you are interested in
donating a bottle or two, contact us for a list of items that may be needed at 785-235-6039 or info@oralhealthkansas.org.

Don't want to buy anything but still would like to make a donation? Click here to donate to the Sugary Drink Display!

- Just $25 will ship a Sugary Drink Display
- $1.88 will buy one 20 ounce bottle of Mountain Dew
- $0.99 will buy one 16 ounce 2% Kroger brand milk