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## **KDHE Hires A New Dental Director**



Dr. Dayna Brinckman, DDS CHCEF, has over 25 years of experience in the field of dentistry. Her passion is working with pediatric patients, where the importance of good oral health practices can make a significant impact for a lifetime and other vulnerable and underserved populations. Dr. Brinckman's experience working both in the private and public sectors, has provided her with a unique perspective and expertise in working in a variety of settings and with diverse population groups.

Dr. Dayna Brinckman

Dr. Brinckman received her Doctor of Dental

Surgery degree from the University of Missouri, Kansas City School of Dentistry. She maintains active licensure in both Kansas and Missouri and has been a Kansas Charitable Care Provider for the past 5 years.

She is an active member of the American Dental Association, the Kansas Dental Association, the Missouri Dental Association, the National Network for Oral Health Access, the Community Care Network of Kansas, the National Association of Community Health Centers and the School Based Health Alliance.

Dr. Brinckman's professional work experience has included roles as Outreach Dentist, Associate Dentist, Chief Dental Officer, Adjunct Clinical Faculty, Clinical Preceptor and most recently in her new role as Kansas Bureau Director of Oral Health. She has been a co-author on several national poster presentations within the past 2 years with a focus on Oral Health education and Pediatric Dental & Primary Care Integration.

Dr. Brinckman received the John McFarland National Leadership Award as an outstanding Leader in the field of Oral Health presented by the National Network for Oral Health Access in 2018. She also was nominated as a 2018 Healthcare Hero by the Community Care Network of Kansas for her outstanding work in Outreach Pediatric Comprehensive Dentistry over the past 4 vears. **Continued on Page 2** 

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She continues her professional development as a member of the National Oral Health Learning Institute Cohort through NNOHA and the Harvard Medical School Center for Primary Care and Clinical Directors Network through NACHC. She has completed the Regional Clinical Directors Training and the Community Health Center Executive Fellowship through the University of Kansas Medical Center within the last 2 years.

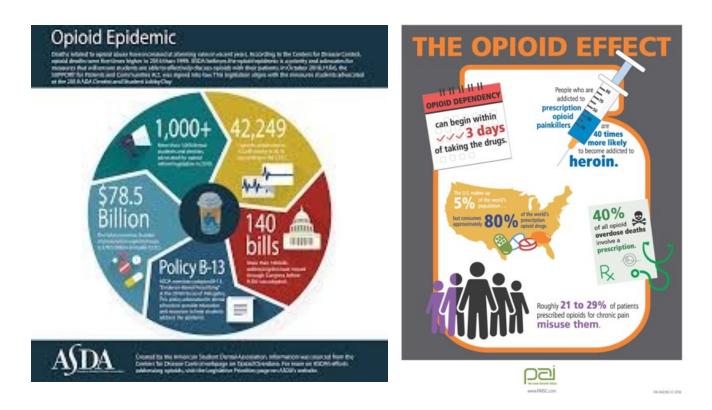
## **News from the American Dental Association: The Opioid Crisis**

In 2017, opioids (including prescription opioids, heroin and fentanyl) killed more than 47,600 people and 35 percent of those deaths involved a prescription pain reliever, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This excludes those who reported abusing or being dependent prescription pain relievers, according to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the unknown number whose addiction to heroin and other illicit drugs started with a prescription pain reliever. Dentists can continue to combat this issue by:

• Considering using non-narcotic pain relievers as a first line of treatment.

- When an opioid pain reliever is indicated, consider prescribing fewer pills in accordance with the latest pain management guidelines and your own state law.
- Counsel our patients about the benefits and drawbacks of using opioid analgesics, especially how these drugs can be addictive
- Learn to recognize when a patient might have a substance use disorder or be prone to addiction.

The ADA offers courses to help dental professionals to know more about Safe and Responsible Prescribing of Opioid Analgesics.



To protect and improve the health and environment of all Kansans

## CDC Advisory Panel Suggests Updates to Age Recommendations for HPV Vaccine

In June, US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory **Committee on Immunization Practices** "voted unanimously to recommend HPV vaccines for both boys and girls and men and women through age 26." CNN reports that "the CDC's recommendation that children start receiving two doses of the HPV vaccine at age 11 or 12 or as early as age 9 has not changed." In addition, "the committee also recommended adults ages 27 through 45 who had not been adequately vaccinated make shared decisions" with their health care providers about getting vaccinated. An ADA Science Institute-developed Oral Health Topics page on cancer (head and neck) states that "HPV infection is a major risk factor for oropharyngeal cancer," and "data suggest that oral HPV infection prevalence is lower in men and women who have received HPV vaccine than those who have not."

### 2018 Elder Basic screening report to be released soon

The Kansas Bureau of Oral Health will release the 2018 Elder Basic Screening Report in August 2019. This report provides us information on the oral health status of Kansas seniors living in nursing facilities. We would like to thank all the participating nursing facilities and the staff for helping us with the survey. This would not be possible without your help!

### **CDC Program Officers' Visit to Kansas**

In August 2019, Commander Ali Danner, our project officer and his staff from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will be visiting Kansas to observe oral health activities in the State. The Kansas Bureau of Oral Health receives funding from CDC for oral disease prevention efforts such as the school sealant program, community water fluoridation, data collection plus evaluation of oral health programs. The KBOH will be providing presentations during that period and will accompany the CDC staff on a site visit to several of our Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC). We are looking forward to welcoming the CDC staff to the Sunflower State!

### **Meet the Fluoridation Specialist**



The new CDC Cooperative Agreement has allowed Kelly Rippel, from Oral Health Kansas to step into the role of the state community water fluoridation specialist. Kelly Rippel joined Oral Health Kansas in January of 2016. Through Kansas Department of Health and Environment, he received training from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Water Fluoridation Principles and Practices. He also

**Kelly Rippel** 

graduated from a Dental Champions Leadership Program which focused methods to protect community water fluoridation in Kansas. The main objectives of the state fluoridation program are to provide information and support to water operators and managers, monitor the lifespan of fluoridation equipment, and track water quality data.

As fluoridation of municipal water sources has been a safe and effective practice to improve oral health for all members a community for over 70 years, the amount of evidence about its effectiveness continues to grow. About 64 percent of Kansans have access to optimally-fluoridated water, and this year the cities of Salina and Sabetha are celebrating 50 years of water fluoridation. KDHE and Oral Health Kansas are dedicated to ensuring policymakers and the public have access to data and evidence about community water fluoridation and the effectiveness of this public health intervention. Please visit the website www.fluoridekansas.org for more details and resources

### **Upcoming CDC Seals Training**

For all those who were unable to attend the previous SEALS TRAINING, here is the next available date:

Monday, August 5 1-3 p.m. EST



## The Kansas School Oral Health Screening Report

The Kansas School Screening Program has done an amazing job of screenings 13,000 more school kids during the school year 2018-19 when compared to 2017-18. Here is a brief update on the screenings for school year 2017-18:

Kansas 2017				
Condition	Num ber Of Students	Percent Of Students	Current Enrollment Information	
Untreated Decay Yes	24215	17.24		
Untreated Decay No	116261	82.76	Total Enrolled	
Treated Decay Yes	51454	36.63	506217	
Treated Decay No	89022	63.37		
Sealants Present Yes *	40445	44.43	Free / Reduced Lunch	
Sealants Present No *	50579	44.43	247897	
Urgent Care Needed	3887	2.77		
Total Num ber Of Students Screened	140476		Free / Reduced Lunch %	
* data reported on grades 3rd-12th only	91024		48.97	

### For School Year 2018-19

Kansas 2018					
Condition	Num ber Of Students	Percent Of Students	Current Enrollment Information		
Untreated Decay Yes	24053	15.65			
Untreated Decay No	129630	84.35	Total Enrolled		
Treated Decay Yes	55823	36.41	506217		
Treated Decay No	97490	63.59			
Sealants Present Yes *	41375	42.01	Free / Reduced Lunch		
Sealants Present No *	57119	42.01	247897		
Urgent Care Needed	4176	2.72			
Total Num ber Of Students Screened	153683		Free / Reduced Lunch %		
* data reported on grades 3rd-12th only	98494		48.97		

## 2018-19 Kansas School Sealant Program

School sealant programs were back in schools! During the 2018-2019 school year, the Bureau of Oral Health School Sealant Program provided sealants on children in 207 schools statewide. The program provided:

- 11,892 screenings for the sealant program
- 6,504 fluoride varnishes placed
- 2,935 children had sealants placed
- 4,971 prophylaxes.

• 10,183 teeth were sealed

# Kansas Medical Assistance Program (KMAP) bulletin

### Fluoride Treatment in LHDs

Effective with dates of service on or after August 1, 2019, fluoride treatment for children will be covered in local health departments (LHDs). Fluoride treatments continue to be limited to three applications per beneficiary per calendar year.

Note: The effective date of the policy is August 1, 2019. The implementation of State policy by the KanCare managed care organizations (MCOs) may vary from the date noted in the Kansas Medical Assistance Program (KMAP) bulletins.

### **News From Our Partners**

### Kansas Association for the Medically Underserved is now Community Care Network of Kansas



Celebrating Community Care Clinic Week: It is an annual, week-long celebration in mid-August to highlight the innovative community-based health care that is giving Kansans in need the chance to lead healthy, productive lives.

### **Oral Health Kansas**



The 2019 Legislature approved a \$3 million increase in reimbursement rates for KanCare services. Oral Health Kansas worked hard alongside the Kansas Dental Association during the session to make the case for the need for increased reimbursement rates to help recruit and build the Medicaid dental provider network in Kansas.

A team of organizations is working on a quality improvement project to address the difficulties families of children with disabilities have in finding dental care. The project is supported by the American Dental Association and is designed to improve Medicaid dental services using a collaborative process. Over the next year, Oral Health Kansas, the Kansas Dental Association, KDHE, Community Care Network of Kansas, and other partners will work together to design approaches to improve how children with disabilities access dental services.

The 2019 Conference on Oral Health will be Friday, November 8 in Olathe. Features this year include tele dentistry and the intersection of oral health and pharmacy. Deputy Surgeon General and chief dental officer for the U.S. Public Health Service Dr. Timothy Ricks is a special guest. Learn more and register at <a href="http://www.oralhealthkansas.org/conference">www.oralhealthkansas.org/conference</a>. (Source: Oral Health Kansas)



The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and Kansas State University Pollution Prevention Institute (KSU PPI) remind Dentists of Upcoming Amalgam Rule. The EPA requires amalgam separators to achieve at least a 95% removal efficiency. The EPA final rule on amalgam separators went into effect on July 14, 2017, and the date for compliance is July 14, 2020.

#### **KMOM in Pittsburg**

KMOM Pittsburg Provided 743 Patients with \$1,129,211 in Donated Dental Care at Pittsburg State University on April 26-27, 2019. A total of 743 patients received \$1,129,211 in donated dental care over two days, including 1,342 fillings and 2,446 extractions. (*Source: KDA*)



### **Upcoming Events**

Oral Health Kansas Welcome Reception for Dr. Brinckman (Open House)

Wednesday, July 31 | 2-4 p.m. Oral Health Kansas Office 712 S. Kansas Avenue, Suite 412 Topeka, KS 66603

#### **Community Care Network of Kansas Annual Conference**

September 11-13 Hilton Garden Inn, Manhattan, Kansas For registration details, visit: <u>https://www.communitycareks.org/kamu</u> -annual-conference/ For more information, contact Kari at 785-233-8483. Email: <u>kparker@communitycareks.org</u>

#### 2019 NNOHA Annual Conference

October 13-16 Las Vegas For registration, visit: https://www.nnoha.org/events/conference

#### The Oral Health Kansas Annual Conference

November 8 K–State Olathe Campus 22201 W. Innovation Dr., Olathe, KS 66061



For more information please visit: <u>http://www.oralhealthkansas.org/</u>

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