

**Healthy Smiles for All Final Report  
Lincoln County  
August 16, 2018**



HRSA grant funding for the Healthy Smiles for All Project is ending on August 31, 2018. We successfully completed our work plan and believe we had an effect on the 40% reduction in emergency department utilization. There have been several successes and a few challenges, and the results for Lincoln County will be discussed in this report.

**Year 1: September 2014 – August 2015**

In year one, we had a late start in the project due to receiving the HRSA Award Notification in September 2014. This resulted in a delay in the hiring of staff and pushed our work plan timeline back. Although we had a late start, we accomplished the following:

- Helped re-start the Lincoln County Oral Health Coalition
- Created a regional Oral Health Needs Assessment
- Created logo for the Regional Oral Health Coalition
- Created the Brush4Health.org webpage

Challenges we faced in year one included making limited progress in Lincoln County given the re-start of the Oral Health Coalition in late May 2015 as well as the delayed hiring of project staff.

**Year 2: September 2015 – August 2016**

In year two, the project gained more momentum. We met monthly with the Oral Health Coalition and hired a County Activity Coordinator who served as the boots on the ground in Lincoln County. The dental vans were getting started and we formed a partnership with Inter-Christian Outreach in Newport to help support the dental van efforts in the County. Additionally, we created the “Strategic Plan for Oral Health in Benton Lincoln and Linn Counties 2015 – 2020”.

The Evaluation Plan focused on surveying patients to determine if we were reaching our target population and meeting our program objectives. It also utilized the HRSA Coalition Self-Assessment Tool to strengthen the functioning of the coalition.

Lastly, we hosted a Medical Dental Integration Summit on June 7, 2016 at the Center for Health Education in Newport. Dr. Bruce Austin, Oregon State Dental Director and Dr. Michael Q. Fité, Chief Medical Officer, Neighborhood Health Center were the keynote speakers. There were 44 people in attendance.

**Year 3: September 2016 – August 2017**

We met monthly with the Oral Health Coalition and provided two Smiles for Life trainings for clinic staff in Lincoln City and Newport.

The dental vans occurred regularly and we worked to get a co-location site implemented. Identifying a permanent space was a challenge as the selected sites could only accommodate a rotating space for the Expanded Practice Dental Hygienist.

Lastly, we hosted a joint Regional Summit with the Partners for Health Coalition on April 18 – 19 in Lebanon. Dr. Teri Petterson, Pediatric Consultant for OPAL-K, Oregon Health Sciences University and Physician Educator for Screening Tools and Resource Training, Oregon Pediatric Society was the keynote speaker. There were 67 and 61 people respectively in attendance.

**Year 4 (No Cost Extension): September 2017 – August 2018**

We focused on Lincoln County in an effort to get more oral health services to patients. We launched a Public Relations Campaign that included billboards, posters, handbills, radio and Pandora ads. We were unable to get a co-location site in Lincoln County so we collaborated with Clinic Managers and community partners, and created an Adult oral health referral process to help direct patients to available services. We assembled 2,448 dental kits and delivered to sites in Lincoln County including: SHS Clinics and Urgent Care, Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians, Shelter Me in Waldport, Inter-Christian Outreach, The Warming Center and Shilo the Gathering in Lincoln City.

We hosted two summits which provided updates on oral health ED/UC utilization and available services. Additionally, SHS provided additional funding to support the Dental Van Program through December 2018.

Overall, we are very pleased with the outcomes of the Healthy Smiles for All Project. As a result of the collaborative partnerships, over 3000 uninsured or underinsured adults in e. Linn and Lincoln Counties have received oral health care services (see Fig. 1).

Healthy Smiles for All Patient Utilization August 2014 - June 2018			
Initiative	# of Patients	Value of Services Rendered*	Amount Reimbursed*
<b>Co-Locations</b>			
Samaritan Family Medicine - Sweet Home	1448	\$213,228	\$52,950
Samaritan Family Medicine - Brownsville	95	\$20,164	\$6,000
Samaritan Mid Valley Medical Plaza	684	\$120,435	\$22,250
Samaritan Lebanon Health Center	20	\$3,991	\$600
<b>Total</b>	<b>2247</b>	<b>\$357,818</b>	<b>\$81,800</b>
<b>Dental Vans</b>			
East Linn County	420	\$172,027	\$23,700
Lincoln County	217	\$56,188	\$15,750
<b>Total</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>\$208,799</b>	<b>\$39,450</b>
<b>Adult Emergency Voucher Program</b>			
The River Center	224	101939*	22400*
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3108</b>	<b>\$668,556</b>	<b>\$143,650</b>

\* Lower than actual value