

Moving Forward

DentaQuest Goals and Targets Worksheets

Incorporate Oral Health Into the Primary Education System

List 2-3 Goals needed to accomplish this target in 2016/2017	Identify key organizations (hubs) currently working in this target area	List the 2 highest leverage actions to be taken statewide and by your organization, to move the action and coordinate efforts in each target area
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Incorporate oral health into curriculum (possibly in a core class like science) 2. www.operationstopdecay.com <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Crest website b. Colgate website 3. Consistency in oral health curriculum across education systems. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i.e. Private school/daycare/charter/private. 4. School based health services 5. Xylitol in schools 6. Policy for funding on site care <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cost analysis of “carve out” i.e. Accept govt. Employees/non-profits. Medicaid reimbursement vs. DSHS hygienist service 7. Incl. Oral health education within health education w/in health education in school curriculum 8. Schedule school-based/school-linked preventive oral health services into ISD school calendars 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. TxSHAC (<i>Texas School Health Advisory Council</i>) b. School Districts (ISD’s) c. School administrators d. Parent teachers organization e. Legislators and chairs f. Local Health Departments and partners, e.g., FQHC’s, Dental Schools, Hygiene Schools, Assisting Schools, Dental Therapist Programs, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize the attendance statistics to present a strong argument to TxSHAC/SAAC’s administrators • Advocate health education including oral health education into school curriculum - mandated and funded • Advocate for Medicaid & CHIP reimbursement for school-based/school-linked preventive oral health services - financing mechanism to ensure cost effectiveness & sustainability