

Teledentistry in Texas 3 Part Webinar Series

TxOHC started hosting a 3-part teledentistry webinar series beginning September 2022. Recordings of these presentations may be found on our website at <https://txohc.org/education/teledentistry-texas/> and they may also be offered as self-instructional on-demand courses for continuing dental education credit soon.

- September 9, 2022 - Taking the Mystery Out of Billing for Virtual Visits presented by Jamie Collins, RDH-EA, BS
- October 14, 2022 - Selection of Teledentistry Platforms and Utilization in Alternative Care Settings presented by McAllister Castelaz, DMD, FAGD **November 11, 2022**
- - Teledentistry in Texas: What Can Be Done, What Can't Be Done, and What Could Be Done for Maximum Impact a moderated discussion with Dr. Scott Howell, DMD, MPH, FSCD; Dr. Margo Melchor, RDH, MEd, EdD; and Ms. Lorie Jones, RDH, BSDH, MBA.

Please join us for the upcoming webinar on Friday, November 11, 2022, from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM CT. One hour of continuing dental education credit will be awarded to those submitting a completed online evaluation. Registration is complimentary but required at <https://bit.ly/TeleReg1122> to receive your webinar link and passcode.

Teledentistry in Texas

A series of three webinars

Dates:

- September 9, 2022
- October 14, 2022
- November 11, 2022

Time: 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CT

For more information on the speaker, course description and registration, please visit

<https://txohc.org/education/teledentistry-texas/>.

Pre-registration is required for all attendees. Your registration email will contain the webinar link and password to use.



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Texas Teledentistry Guide Now Available

A Guide to Teledentistry in Texas

Texas Oral Health Coalition, Inc.

October 2022



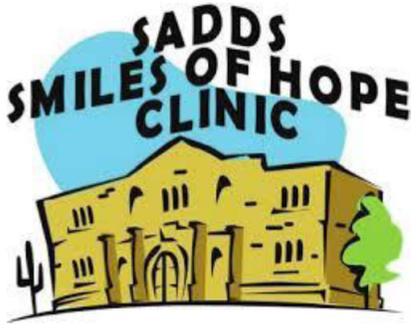
The Texas Oral Health Coalition (TxOHC) is excited to announce that *A Guide to Teledentistry in Texas* is now available to view or download from our website.

We've included a short Checklist and a Teledentistry Informed Consent template you are welcome to use. The Consent form is a fillable pdf where you can insert your own logo, or copy the information and create an online form for your patients to access virtually. We included all of the state requirements we could find for this consent form, but as with anything legal, please refer to

your own attorney. The Teledentistry Guide should be considered a fluid document in that if any rules or regulations change the Teledentistry Guide will be updated.

A Guide to Teledentistry in Texas is available on the TxOHC website at <https://txohc.org/communication/coalition-publications/tx-teledentistry-guide/>.

Smiles of Hope Clinic



What: In partnership with the San Antonio District Dental Society (SADDs), San Antonio Christian Dental Clinic is pleased to announce a community event to address the oral health needs of underserved Bexar County community members.

When: **Friday, October 28, 2022 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.** – Hygiene Clinic (Cleanings) Saturday, October 29, 2022 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Dental Clinic (Fillings, Extractions)

Where: San Antonio Christian Dental Clinic – 1 Haven for Hope Way; Bldg. 1, Ste. 400; San Antonio TX, 78207. (GPS: 711 N. Frio)

Dental Volunteers (DDS, RDH, RDA) **MUST** hold an active TX license to practice.

Prospective patients are **restricted to adult (18+) Bexar county residents only (Photo ID required)**.

- [Smiles of Hope Volunteer Flyer](#)
- [Smiles of Hope Patient Flyer](#)

Cook Children's Presents: Ask The Docs About Prenatal Health

TxOHC is excited to provide continuing dental education credit for Cook Children's Ask the Docs About Prenatal Health Webinar Series on **November 1, 2022**, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM CT with "Do No Harm: The Ethics, Myths & Business of Caring for Pregnant People" presented by Tony R. Bertolino, Esq.

Did you know young moms and women are not getting the dental care they need during pregnancy?

Be a part of the conversation to explore the Ethics, Myths & Business of Caring for Pregnant People. It is crucial for health of both mom and baby.

For complete webinar information and registration, please visit <https://bit.ly/Ask-the-Docs>.

TxOHC Quarterly Member Meetings

The Coalition is pleased to host quarterly member meetings on the third Friday of the designated month from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM CT.

Please join regional oral health coordinators; Dr. Yashashri Urankar for Austin, Lynn Southerland for Coastal Bend, Dr. Teresita Ladrillo for Houston, Dr. Sowmya Renuka for North Central Texas, and Dr. Rebecca Davenport for San Antonio in their separate breakout rooms for the first 45 minutes. After which, everyone will return to the main room to hear all of the coalitions report out.

This is an excellent opportunity to participate at your local level. We encourage all members to actively engage in their regional coalitions to share resources, leverage innovative information and create viable solutions to address local challenges.

If you have not joined your regional coalition you may do so [here](#).

Upcoming meetings:

- **Friday, November 18, 2022**
- Registration is complimentary but required at <https://bit.ly/QtrMtgs> to receive your meeting link and passcode.

A promotional banner for the TxOHC Quarterly Member Meeting. The background is a light blue gradient with a circular inset image on the right showing two healthcare professionals in white coats reviewing documents at a desk. The text is in white and yellow. The main title 'TXOHC QUARTERLY MEMBER MEETING' is in large white letters. Below it, the date 'Friday, November 18, 2022' and time '11:30 AM - 1:00 PM CT' are in yellow. A paragraph in white text states: 'Regional Oral Health Coalitions will meet in separate breakout rooms for 45 minutes then everyone returns the last 45 minutes for coalitions to report out.' A circular call-to-action bubble contains the text 'Register at: https://bit.ly/QtrMtgs'. The TxOHC logo and 'TEXAS ORAL HEALTH COALITION' are in the bottom left corner.

TXOHC QUARTERLY MEMBER MEETING

Friday, November 18, 2022
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM CT

Regional Oral Health Coalitions will meet in separate breakout rooms for 45 minutes then everyone returns the last 45 minutes for coalitions to report out.

Register at:
<https://bit.ly/QtrMtgs>

 **TEXAS ORAL HEALTH COALITION**

Medical Providers Able to Apply SDF

In September the American Medical Association (AMA) approved a new category III CPT code for the application of silver diamine fluoride (SDF) by medical teams to arrest dental decay without a dental filling.

“To achieve oral health equity, we need the participation of the entire health system,” said Myechia Minter-Jordan, MD, MBA, president and CEO of CareQuest Institute for Oral Health. “The inclusion of a new CPT code for medical professionals to offer critical non-invasive therapeutic oral health care to their patients is a key step toward a more accessible, equitable, and integrated health system that meets the needs of everyone.”

Learn more about this development from the October 17, 2022 CareQuest press release, "[New CPT Code Empowers Medical Professionals to Apply Silver Diamine Fluoride \(SDF\) to Treat Cavities.](#)"

TxOHC Member Provides Human Trafficking CDE

TxOHC member Kandice Swarouth, RDH, LPC is providing 2.0 CDE of Texas Health and Human Services Commission-approved Human Trafficking self-instructional continuing education.

In Plain Sight: Confronting the Human Trafficking Crisis in the Dental Setting, Human trafficking is the fastest rising commerce in the world with over 200,000 minors at risk in the United States. It is reported that up to 80% of victims are seen by a healthcare provider while captive. Dental providers are perfectly positioned to identify the signs and report suspected human trafficking. This course will educate dental clinicians on recognizing, screening, and reporting potentially trafficked persons

Learn more and register at <https://inspired-ce.teachable.com/p/in-plain-site-confronting-the-human-trafficking-crisis-in-the-dental-setting>.

29.5 million Americans visited a dentist, but not a medical provider in 2019

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) has released [*Statistical Brief #544, Number and Percentage of the Population with Any Dental or Medical Visits by Insurance Coverage and Geographic Area, 2019*](#). This brief is a follow-up to [*Statistical Brief #537, Trends in the Number and Percentage of the Population with Any Dental or Medical Visits, 2003-2018*](#), which was released in October 2021.

Key findings of this report include:

- In 2019, about 37 percent of Americans (120.6 million in 2019) had at least one medical and one dental visit, and 9 percent (29.5 million in 2019) had least one dental visit and no medical visit.
- The percentage of Americans visiting both a medical and dental provider in 2019 was higher among those who had private insurance with dental coverage (47.2 percent) compared to those who had private insurance without dental coverage (22.8 percent) or were publicly covered (29.8 percent).
- Overall, the proportion of publicly insured individuals who had contact with a medical provider (46.1 percent) was the same as for privately insured individuals without dental insurance (46.2 percent). However, their likelihood of having both dental and medical visits (29.8 percent) was higher than for privately insured individuals without dental insurance (22.8 percent).
- Among persons with public coverage, the percentage with medical and dental visits in 2019 was higher among non-Hispanic White individuals (35.1 percent) compared with those who are Hispanic (24.8 percent) and non-Hispanic Black (23.1 percent).
- Overall, regardless of insurance status, the percentage of individuals with both medical and dental visits in 2019 was higher among persons who are non-Hispanic White (43.3 percent) compared with those who are Hispanic (25.3 percent) and non-Hispanic Black (26.4 percent).

The case for bi-directional integration is bolstered by the findings that 9 percent (29.5 million people) visited a dentist in 2019 but not a medical provider, and 33.4 percent had visited a medical provider but not a dentist. Bi-directional integration of oral health and overall health includes not only where medical professionals screen their patients for dental disease and provide education and preventive procedures like fluoride varnish applications, but also where oral health professionals provide primary care screenings such as hypertension, diabetes, depression, immunizations, and more. These screenings are even more important given the known relationships between oral disease and systemic diseases.

-- *Tim Ricks, DMD, MPH, FICD, FACD, FPFA*

School-Base Dental Sealant Program Report

[Best Practice Approach: School-Based Dental Sealant Programs](#) offers information about school dental sealant programs, including school-based, school-linked, and hybrid programs. The report includes a rationale for sealant programs; guidelines, recommendations, and evidence reviews to support the establishment of school-based programs; and considerations to take into account when implementing school-based programs. It also highlights 14 practice examples from across the country illustrating strategies and interventions for school-based programs.

The report was produced by the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors and the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center.

Join us this Giving Tuesday!



At TxOHC, we're gearing up for our favorite day of the year; #GivingTuesday!

It's the day we get together with people all over the world to celebrate the positive impact that giving, volunteering, and kindness make in our communities. It's always the Tuesday after Black Friday, and that means this year, it's November 29.

The Texas Oral Health Coalition (TxOHC) is thrilled to join the largest giving day of the year with a twist. Our goal is to raise **\$3,000.00 in 30 days**. All donations submitted during the month of November will go towards our Giving Tuesday fundraising goal.

Make a donation at <https://txohc.org/givingtuesday> and make a difference in the impact the Texas Oral Health Coalition can make to achieve optimal health for all Texans.

**DONATE
TODAY!**

Thank you so much for your continued support!

The Texas Oral Health Coalition, Inc. is a 501c3 nonprofit organization. Contributions of any amount are tax-deductible and are welcomed and appreciated!

Upcoming TSBDE Meetings

The Texas State Board of Dental Examiners (TSBDE) will be meeting November 3-4, 2022. On November 3, 2022, they will hold committee meetings throughout the day and the full board meeting will take place on November 4, 2022 beginning at 8:30 AM (View the meeting agenda [here](#)).

The public will have the opportunity to view and participate in the meeting. The meeting will be broadcast on TSBDE's YouTube channel at: [TSBDE YouTube](#). The

public may participate in the meeting using the information provided via E-Mail once the [Public Comments Form](#) is filled out.

Learn more about these meetings on the TSBDE Board and Committees page [here](#).

TxOHC Member Spotlight

We are pleased to welcome the following new TxOHC members who joined after September 27, 2022.

Individual Members:

- Cecil Wood, DDS, MS
Director of Dental Services Managed Care Division,
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center
Henrietta, TX
- Pamela Randolph, RDH
Adjunct Instructor, Howard College
Christoval, TX



TxOHC Board of Directors



If you are a TxOHC member and interested in taking a more active role within the Coalition, please complete [this interest application](#) to let us know. To learn more about the Coalition and our activities, please visit our website at <https://txohc.org> or contact us at info@txohc.org for more information.

TxOHC Thanks our Organizational Members



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Join [here](#) if your organization is interested in joining our efforts to improve the oral healthcare system in Texas.

Call for Presenters

The Texas Oral Health Coalition is excited to continue hosting monthly webinars in 2023 with different topics and presenters on the second Friday of each month during the noon hour, 12:00 - 1:00 PM CT.



If you are interested in sharing your research or expertise, please complete and submit the linked documents below for consideration.

[Financial Disclosure and Bio Speaker Proposal Submission](#)

Collaborative Stakeholder Agreement

As part of the Collaborative Stakeholder Initiative between TxOHC and Midwest Dental, TxOHC members and partners can be entered into a drawing for a Young™ Infinity™ Cordless Prophy Handpiece. For each merchandise or equipment order placed with Midwest Dental in excess of \$500, your name will be added to the drawing.

The drawing will be held during the virtual TxOHC meeting on December 9, 2022.

To determine your eligibility please contact Midwest.

Members must be present virtually to win.

Help fund TxOHC and Oral Health for all Texans!



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Your monthly purchases will help support and fund TxOHC and help improve the oral health of all Texans.

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- Texas-based, family-owned, full-service dealer
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- Factory-trained, professional service techs
- Branch offices in Dallas, Houston and San Antonio

TxOHC member benefits through Midwest Dental:

- Substantial price discounts on merchandise, capital equipment and laboratory services
- Reduced service rate available
- Opportunities for free quarterly service call and equipment maintenance training session

Enter for your chance to win a Cordless Handpiece:

For each merchandise or equipment order placed with Midwest Dental in excess of \$500, your name will be added to a drawing for a free **Young Infinity™ Cordless Prophy Handpiece!**

Drawing will be held Dec 9, 2022, at the TxOHC annual meeting. Member must be present to win.



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To place an order, please visit us at MidwestDental.com!

Your designated Midwest Dental contact:
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New TxOHC Self-Instructional Courses

TxOHC offers multiple online self-instructional continuing dental education courses. Recently we have added a fourth Prescriber and a maternal health self-instructional courses. Please view the full list of course below.

Patients with IDD

[Dr. Mark Bullock's Treating Patients with IDD learning series includes:](#) ***NEW***

- Providing Dental Care under Advanced Anesthesia: Oral Sedation, IV Sedation, TIVA, IV Mac, and General Anesthesia
- Special Conditions and Barriers and Challenges Providing Dental Care to Patients with IDD
- Understanding and Working with Caregivers and Group Homes, Dental Desensitization/Advanced Behavior Techniques for Patients with IDD at AbSSLC

For Prescribers

[Prescriber courses include:](#)

- Mental Health & Opioid Use Disorder: Using the PMP to improve patient-centered care & communication ***NEW***
- Statewide Mandate Compliance Using the PMP to Provide Patient-Centered Care
- Maximizing Your Limited Time: Navigating Challenging Patient Conversations
- Single Use Disposal Systems (SUDS) Training for Dentists



Prenatal Health

[Ask The Docs About Prenatal Health series with Cook Children's](#)

- Maternal Depression: Signs, Facts & Resources ***NEW***

Oral Pathology

[Dr. Paras Patel's oral pathology lecture series includes:](#)

- Oral Cancer Update
- Oral Manifestations of Systemic Diseases and Conditions
- Common Lesions of the Oral Cavity, from Diagnosis to Treatment

Health Literacy

[Matt Jacob's health literacy series includes:](#)

- The Power of Audience Insight
- Using Storytelling to Engage
- Making Data Count Building
- Your Social Media Presence
- Speaking Up for Fluoride

**With much appreciation and sincerest gratitude,
we wish to thank our 2022 Coalition Partners!**



Your Contribution Matters

Please make plans to contribute to your favorite nonprofit either through [AmazonSmile](#), by choosing TxOHC as your charity as you do your online shopping, or by the donation button below.

TxOHC is also raising funds with Planet Green Recycle through our ink cartridges recycling fundraiser. [Click here](#) to request your FREE USPS shipping label to recycle your inks. Be sure to type in our **Program ID Code: 32140** when completing the shipping form.

Your contribution is essential to our continued efforts and will make a real difference in the lives of thousands of your neighbors. **Please share in our vision to make optimal health a reality for all Texans.** Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to you joining our efforts to continue this forward momentum.

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