Oral Health Program Long Beach – Meeting Minutes
February 4, 2019 (12 -2 pm)
Long Beach Dept. of Health & Human Services
2525 Grand Ave., Long Beach, CA 90815

Attendees:

Aceves, Susana – LBDHHS MCAH
Campos, Damaris - LBDHHS MCO
Cardenas, Veronica - LBDHHS Nursing
Cortez, Santos – Harbor Dental Society
Hartlaub, Alyssa - LBDHHS CLPPP
Ly, Anthony – LBDHHS MCO
Pan, Alan – LBDHHS Nursing
Perezchica, Mercedes – LBDHHS Nursing
Petrillo, Jean – Children's Dental Health Clinic
Pham, Pauline – LBDHHS Nursing
Puja, Shah – Delta Dental Medi-Cal/Denta-Cal
Quinteros, Jorge - Western Dental
Riano, Nancy - LBDHHS Nursing
Sanchez, Maria - LBDHHS OHP
Smith, Leslie - McCormick LA
Smolen, Michael – Harbor Dental Society
Temple, Susan – LBUSD
Thompson, Jason – LBDHHS
VanderLaan, Marie – LBDHHS CHDP

	Discussion	Action items
Call to Order	Maria Sanchez called the meeting to order at 12:10. Welcome and introductions.	
Workgroup Update	**Jean Petrillo –** Reviewed the workgroup's progress on the surveys. The Advisory Committee was invited to add to the surveys for providers and special populations. They added the following: • To Providers' survey they suggested asking what percentage of their practice is Medi-cal patients with a section 20% or less, 21-49%, 50% or more. • Adding a section for parents with children ages 5+ including teens and asking … - Do your children have sealants? - Do your children drink energy drinks? (Red Bull, Rockstar, Starbucks) - Do you have Medi-Cal?	**The workgroup is meeting again on 12-2 p.m. February 25 at the LBDHHS.**

	- Do your teens use tobacco? Vaping? • To Homeless survey - Do you have a toothbrush? - Do you wear dentures? • To Pregnant survey - Clearance? DDS needs to be comfortable/able to treat pregnant women	
	ACCESS TO AVAILABLE DATA The advisory committee had created a list of data that was available in the community that could help this assessment. The group was asked to review the list and volunteer to access the data. Dr. Puja Shah directed us to inquire for dental stats via email at DTI@DHCS.ca.gov USC & UCLA have information via satellite clinics. Home visitors might have some information.	Jenny Acosta will access and share Head Start records for dental home info, preventive care, and dental treatment. Dr. Cortes will supply information from the Harbor Dental Society – number of dental providers in Long Beach Jean Petrillo will supply from the Children's Dental Health Clinic information re: emergencies, IV sedation, hospitalizations Susan Temple can supply dental assessment information from LBUSD.
Oral Health Presentation	**Dr. Smolen** gave an educational presentation on oral health from a public health perspective. Some of the facts presented include: - Dental caries is the second most infectious disease in our society' second to the common cold; it is communicable and preventable. - Partnering with WIC would be a prime opportunity for prevention; poor oral health can lead to premature labor, so reaching new mothers is important. - Many misconceptions exist about what causes oral health problems and how to prevent it.	Information to be incorporated long term into the community health plan.

Key Informant Analysis	Jason Thompson compiled the key informant surveys completed during the last Advisory Committee meeting. - Of 15 respondents, 86.7% respondents reported that they saw a need for Oral Health Intervention or Treatment either "Frequently" or "Very Frequently" - 80% indicated a need for referrals to free or low-cost dental services among those they serve - The largest barrier to access to oral health listed is expense at 53%, followed by lack of knowledge of oral health at 46.7%, and lack of knowledge of benefits at 40%. - 73.7% listed the most important message to be communicated is the age of the first dental visit - Pediatricians offices were listed as the best ways to reach families with children 0-5	
Approval of the Minutes	The group reviewed the January 14 meeting minutes. Minutes were approved**.**	
Announcements	• CDA Cares – Oral Health community service event will be held in Long Beach in 2020 or 2021. • West Coast University is holding Smile Day 2019 – near Disneyland, no fee • Head Start is looking for a screening dentist to help assess 1600 students at 24 centers.	
Closing	Group adjourned at 1:50pm	