Oral Health Program Long Beach – Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2019 (12 -2 pm)
Long Beach Dept. of Health & Human Services
2525 Grand Ave., Long Beach, CA 90815

Attendees:

Acosta, Jenny – LBUSD Head Start
Boatwright, Christina – LBDHHS Early Childhood
Cardenas, Veronica - LBDHHS Nursing
Cortez, Santos – Harbor Dental Society
Garcia, Edith – Delta Dental Provider Rep, State Government Programs
Ly, Anthony – LBDHHS MCO
Perezchica, Mercedes – LBDHHS Nursing
Petrillo, Jean – Children's Dental Health Clinic
Riano, Nancy - LBDHHS Nursing
Sanchez, Maria - LBDHHS OHP
Smith, Leslie - McCormick LA
Smolen, Michael – Harbor Dental Society
Tello, Eipryl – LBDHHS Tobacco Education Program
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.	
Approval of the Minutes	The group reviewed the May 6 meeting minutes. Minutes were accepted with the following changes: - On page 2, note that the CHIP is specific to Oral Health (HHS also has a CHIP) - On page 3, under Smile, California, the person who shared the information was Stephanie Campbell, not Veronica Cardenas.	
Advisory Committee Satisfaction survey	Maria shared the results of the Advisory Committee satisfaction survey administered at the May meeting. Overall, the committee was satisfied with the meetings and how their time is being utilized.	

Review Final Survey Data (providers and vulnerable populations)	Jason Thompson walked through a summary of the findings. All data had been added. Jason needed to still review the older adults' data. There were many interesting findings that matched a lot of what we assumed we would find. One of the largest disparities is the low number of dentists who accept Smile, California compared to the high number of those surveyed who have Smile, California benefits as part of their Medi-Cal coverage. Included in questions regarding barriers to seeing a dentist, it was shared that among the Cambodian population the leading barriers are language barrier and lack of insurance. For Hispanics, not getting time off to go to the dentist was often named. Over 80% reported that their children drink bottled water and not tap water. This high number seemed suspect. The formatting caused some to miss the question (less than 10%) completely. It could be that bottled water sounded like it was the "better" answer. Either way, encouraging tap water consumption will be part of the plan. We will survey again in 2021 and 2023 focusing on the same populations and geographic areas. The complete findings will be made available to the Advisory Committee members.	Edith Garcia will help enroll more dentists who do not know about the improved reimbursement rates.
Draft CHIP for OHLB	The group reviewed the draft CHIP that is due to the state by June 30 and were invited to make changes at the meeting and/or email Leslie Smith with changes or comments.	Email Leslie at Leslie@McCormickLA.com
Next Steps	Advisory committee members agreed to meet August 5 ***This date was later changed to August 12, from noon until 2 p.m.***	
Closing	Adjourned at 2:00 pm	