

Oral Health Florida is a broad-based group of stakeholders whose mission is to promote and advocate for the optimal oral health and well-being of all Floridians.

# ORAL HEALTH FLORIDA

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**Healthier mouths mean healthier people!**

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# Florida's Roadmap for Oral Health

The future prosperity of any society depends on its ability to foster the health and well-being of the next generation. When a society invests wisely in children and families, the next generation will pay back through a lifetime of productivity and responsible citizenship.

## The Problem

Florida has received poor ratings on oral health indicators including an “F” for meeting benchmarks on dental health and access for disadvantaged children and a “D” for the percentage of high need schools with sealant programs (less than 25%). A study by the Pew Center on the States found that 75.5% of Florida's Medicaid enrolled children did not receive dental care, making Florida the lowest ranking state in the country.

## Oral Health Florida's Solution

In response to these troubling trends, the Oral Health Florida Leadership Council developed a results-based strategic plan in 2014, structured on the Results-Based Accountability™ (RBA) framework. The goal of *Florida's Roadmap for Oral Health* is “All people in Florida have optimal oral health and well-being”, which will be addressed by focusing on two areas:

**Improved access and utilization of quality oral health care**

**Increased access to community water fluoridation**

## Headline indicators used to measure success include:

**Percentage of Medicaid/SCHIP-eligible children receiving any dental services**

**Total emergency room costs and number of visits due to preventable oral health conditions**

**Percentage of Florida schools with school-based sealant programs**

**Total eligible children receiving a sealant on permanent molar tooth**

**Percentage of population on community water systems receiving fluoridated water**

*Florida's Roadmap for Oral Health* takes into consideration existing Florida oral health plans and initiatives. As a living document, it serves as the blueprint for action by Oral Health Florida.

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