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| Communities of Practice with RDHAP Community |
| **Date & Time:** | March 19, 2020, 3pm – 4pm |
| **Location:** | Zoom link: https://ucsf.zoom.us/j/126202211-or- Phone line: US: +1 669 900 6833 or +1 646 558 8656 Meeting ID: 126 202 211 |
| **Desired Outcomes:** | * Share evidence –based preventive practices with the dental community to overcome School-based Sealant Program (SBSP) barriers
* Address and seek to resolve common obstacles to implementing a successful SBSP
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| Agenda |
| 1. Presentation by LA Trust
2. SWOT Analysis
3. Updates by members of workgroup
4. Next steps
5. Next meeting: May 2020
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| **Communities of Practice (CoP) Workgroup Meeting Minutes****March 19, 2020****3:00 pm – 4:00 pm**  |
|  | **Attended in-person:** | **Attended by phone:** | **Not able to attend:** | **Action Items** |
| Keiko Miyahara | Candy Crowden, Elly Francisco, Esther Yepez, Gayle Mathe, Gwen Essex, Helly Patel, Joanna Aalboe, Joy Ogami, Katherine Chen, Katie Conklin, Laurel Bleak, Laurie Perry, Lisa Berens, Lori Solomon, Lynn Walton-Haynes, Melody Jackson, Paul Glassman, Puja Shah, Rhoda Gonzales,Sandeep Mann, Sharon Walker, Steve Silverstein, Susan McLearan, Travis Tramel, Walter Lucio | Corey Keathley, Darla Dale, Holi Burgos, Jay Kumar, Kathy Kane, Kory Nieuwkoop, Luahna Ellner, Rainy Sawicki, Rosanna Jackson, Shannon Conroy, Susie Rodriquez, Tina Floyd  |
| **Agenda item** | * LA Trust Presentation
* SWOT Analysis
* Updates
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| **LA Trust Presentation****SWOT Analysis** | Rollcall* LA Trust Presentation by Esther Yepez, Program Manager
* LA Trust is a non-profit organization, collaborates with LA Unified School District to improve the health of the students
* Provide services through school-based Wellness Centers and dental clinics
* Partners with FQHCs and academic institutions such as Western University and UCLA
* Oral Health Initiative/Focus
* Education – community-wide oral health education
* Preventive Services - screenings, fluoride varnish and sealants
* Access to Care – linking students to a dental home
* Clinical Services Provided
* Screening
* Fluoride Varnish
* Dental Sealants (by Big Smiles)
* Data and Statistics
* 73% of underserved children in LA have untreated caries
* 81% of underserved childer in LA needed dental care
* Students with toothaches are almost 4 times more likely to have low GPA’s
* Students without access to care are 3 times more likely to miss school
* Tooth decay affects more than 70% of students in California by the time the child is in 3rd grade
* Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment
* LA USD compliance rate was at 30%
* Currently, compliance rate increased to 50%
* Strategies used to increase consent rates
* Educational presentations to engage students and teachers, given to all grade level
* Championed teachers to distribute and collect consent forms
* Used wristband to remind students to have parent sign consent form
* Incentivized consent form collection, distributed gift cards to teachers
* Phone message used to inform parents of consent being sent home with the student
* Whitepaper sponsored by Denta Quest on increasing consent rates
* LA USD was chosen as one of seven school districts across the nation
* Goal - to increase participation for oral health education and fluoride varnish program
* Asked the school principal to make a daily announcement to the students on the importance of oral health and academic success.
* Since then, the consent rate increased by 13% from 57% to 70%
* [LA Trust’s Oral Health Operations Manual](https://thelatrust.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/The-LATrust_OperationsManual_Oral-Health-Initiative_booklet.pdf)
* Step by step guide on starting school oral health initiatives
* SWOT Analysis – shared by Susan McLearan
* Focused on two indicators:
* **Rate of Participation**
* Strengths - Have dedicated staff through health department to:

 Gain access Obtain consents* Weaknesses -“Public Trust” issue and people leaving Medi-Cal

Population mobilityPossible cultural conflicts to acceptance of fluoride/sealants* Opportunities - Have potential service delivery workforce-RDH/AP

Gathering data* Threats - Program financial sustainability, will not have the workforce

Conflict with billing duplication from dental offices* Goal – Increase student participation
* **Billing for Services**
* Strengths - RDHAPs can bill for sealants, prophy’s and fluoride

RDHs employed by a health department can bill* Weaknesses - Services must be provided to all (insured and non-insured)

Payments may be denied if service has been provided by DDSNo funding for travelSome services paid to DDSs are not billable by RDH/APs* Opportunities - Could work on improving the employment classification for RDHs in the health department
* Threats - May be opposition to school-based services from various sources including dentists and dental associations as well as Mobile Dental Corporations
* Goal –Create a financially stable model
* Rhoda –Need to look at building trust in the community, the most important first step
* **Next steps**
* Continue to work on the **eight focus areas** and other topics discussed by the group
* Survey #2 to be disseminated
* Next meeting: May 2020
 | Workgroup – to work on SWOT and come up with suggestions/recommendations for the focus areas  |