

Communities of Practice Questionnaire

1. Name of your organization

The Los Angeles Trust for Children's Health (The L.A. Trust)

2. What is the structure/type of your organization? Please select from the following.

County Health Department FQHC Non-profit

Other (please describe) _____

3. Please briefly describe the history/background of the program.

Since 2012, The L.A. Trust has been working in consort with LAUSD's Student Health and Human Services Division to develop and advance a district-wide Oral Health Initiative (OHI). Using a public health framework, the model includes school-based oral health education and community awareness building, on-site oral health screenings, oral disease prevention and early intervention services, and dental home referrals.

The L.A. Trust works through an Oral Health Advisory Board that includes, school staff, dental providers, insurers, advocacy groups and parents. To date, Over 15,000 students have been screened and connected to dental homes. participated at least once, representing 58% of students enrolled in those schools.

4. Which population is being served by the program?

Our program serves LAUSD students primarily focused on early ed and Kindergarten, but also includes high school students. 90% of the students are people of color and 86% qualify for free and reduced lunch.

5. What type of service delivery model is/are used in the program? Please select all that applies.

Dental clinic model (e.g. permanent setting) Mobile- portable model

Virtual model (e.g. telehealth/teledentistry) Event-based model The Tooth Fairy Convention is an Annual program that serves approximately 600-1200/per year since 2013.

Outreach and education model

6. What type of dental and oral health services are provided? Please select all that applies.

- Screenings Cleanings Fluoride varnish Sealants X-rays Fillings
- Referrals to dental and oral health services Care coordination/case management
- Patient education Other (please describe) _____

7. What type of integration service is/are provided? Please select all that applies.

- Medical services Behavioral health services Vision services Hearing services
- Transportation services Translation services Nutrition services None

8. Who are the staff that supports the program? How many staff are involved in the program? What are their roles?

Staff	Number of Staff	Role
Dentist	xx	
Dental Hygienist	xx	
Dental Assistant	xx	
Non-dental clinical staff	xx	
Community health workers	xx	
Other	xxx	The program is district wide and is provided in over 350 schools with myriad providers who offer school based dental clinics, mobile services, oral health education, referral and case management for all level 3 patients and most level 2 patients. The L.A. Trust staff provide coordination, support for on site oral health education for students and parents and data collection for the overall initiative.

9. What is the source of funding?

- Foundation/organization grant
- Public funding (e.g. local, state, federal)
- Private donations (e.g. individuals, businesses)
- Other (please describe) The L.A. Trust provides a small amount of discretionary funds from our general and admin fees. _____

10. How is the program evaluated?

UCLA Pediatrics is evaluating our program since 2012. They gather data on dental care delivery, financial sustainability and health behaviors.

11. Are there any reports?

Yes, I can send the evaluation reports in an addendum.

12. Are there any barriers/challenges to your program?

Yes. Attempting to insure that LAUSD has a Universal Kindergarten screening program is our ultimate goal. We serve the 2nd largest school district in the country and the largest school district in CA. The funding for programs is always a challenge, so we are very focused on sustainable sources of delivery and case management.

LAUSD still holds to full parental consent for screening which is proving to be a barrier to service especially for the most vulnerable. We are working with the District to change this but could use support from statewide partners. The Kindergarten mandate is a soft mandate and that presents a problem in that parents opt out. Data collection seems to be difficult for LAUSD staff.

13. What are the lessons learned and/or are there any plans for improvement?

This type of program seriously takes a village. We need public private partnerships to work together with our school site staff. The mechanics of delivering this program are mostly school site relationship based and without the right approach they can fail.

We honor the partnerships regularly for their efforts to support all children thriving.

If you are interested in learning more about this program, please contact COHTAC at oralhealthsupport@ucsf.edu.