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To: Local Oral Health Programs

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**Guidelines to Schools on How to Evaluate Mobile/Portable Dental Care Providers:**

In April of 2010, the Dental Health Foundation and the California Dental Association

formed a workgroup to provide guidelines to schools on how to evaluate mobile/portable dental care providers when they are contacted by for profit/nonprofit providers.

These 2010 guidelines still represent the most updated guidance for School Districts to evaluate and compare mobile/portable care providers for school-based dental programs and ensure families receive the highest standards of service. The guidelines include:

* Mobile/Portable Dental Care Providers -Things to Consider
* School-Based Dental Services Guidelines for School Districts
* Sample MOU

These documents as well as other information and guidance on the mobile dental facilities for school administrators when entering into contracts with private dental vendors can be found on the following California Department of Education website: [https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/oralhlthmobdentalclinic.asp](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.cde.ca.gov_ls_he_hn_oralhlthmobdentalclinic.asp&d=DwMFAg&c=iORugZls2LlYyCAZRB3XLg&r=FvXXoox2oYsVhFTwtZrpNYvjUw1PSQ126jEanAGeDM0&m=kz0A-qfy4Ej-oRmMN8vUDz4CYXzpDkwkFYL6ubcPHYs&s=l9UdZGeHQpQLdtQvGGyhIUnAxf1vIumiqC8Af_UcYWE&e=)

**These documents are for guidance. School districts should check with their district administrators before entering into any final agreements with providers.**

**We strongly recommend you distribute this information to the School Districts.** This is an opportunity for your local oral health program to serve as a resource to schools in your county.

If you need additional guidance, contact COHTAC at oralhealthsupport@ucsf.edu.

For your convenience, the documents can also be found at COHTAC website under School-Based/School-Linked (Mobile/Portable Programs)